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HEADQUARTERS
FOUR HUNDRED SIXTEENTH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L)
Office of the Commanding Officer

SECRET
By authority
CG, Sta. 170
10 Sept 1944
Init. _____

AF O 140, U. S. Army,
10 September 1944.

SUBJECT: Report of Combat Mission.

TO : Commanding General, 97th Combat Wing, APO 140, U. S. Army.

416th Bombardment Group (L),
140th Combat Mission, 10 September 1944.
97th CW FC Number 207 - 540.

1. 38
2. 37
3. 36
4. 2 (1 spare)
5. None
6. 43-22063 Returned early. Gas cap came off and ship was losing Lt. H. A. Monroe gas. Spare ship moved into position.
7. 43-10226 No. 1 station failed to release. Pole B in the Capt. R. B. Prentiss cannon plug to the bombing rack was broken off.
8. None

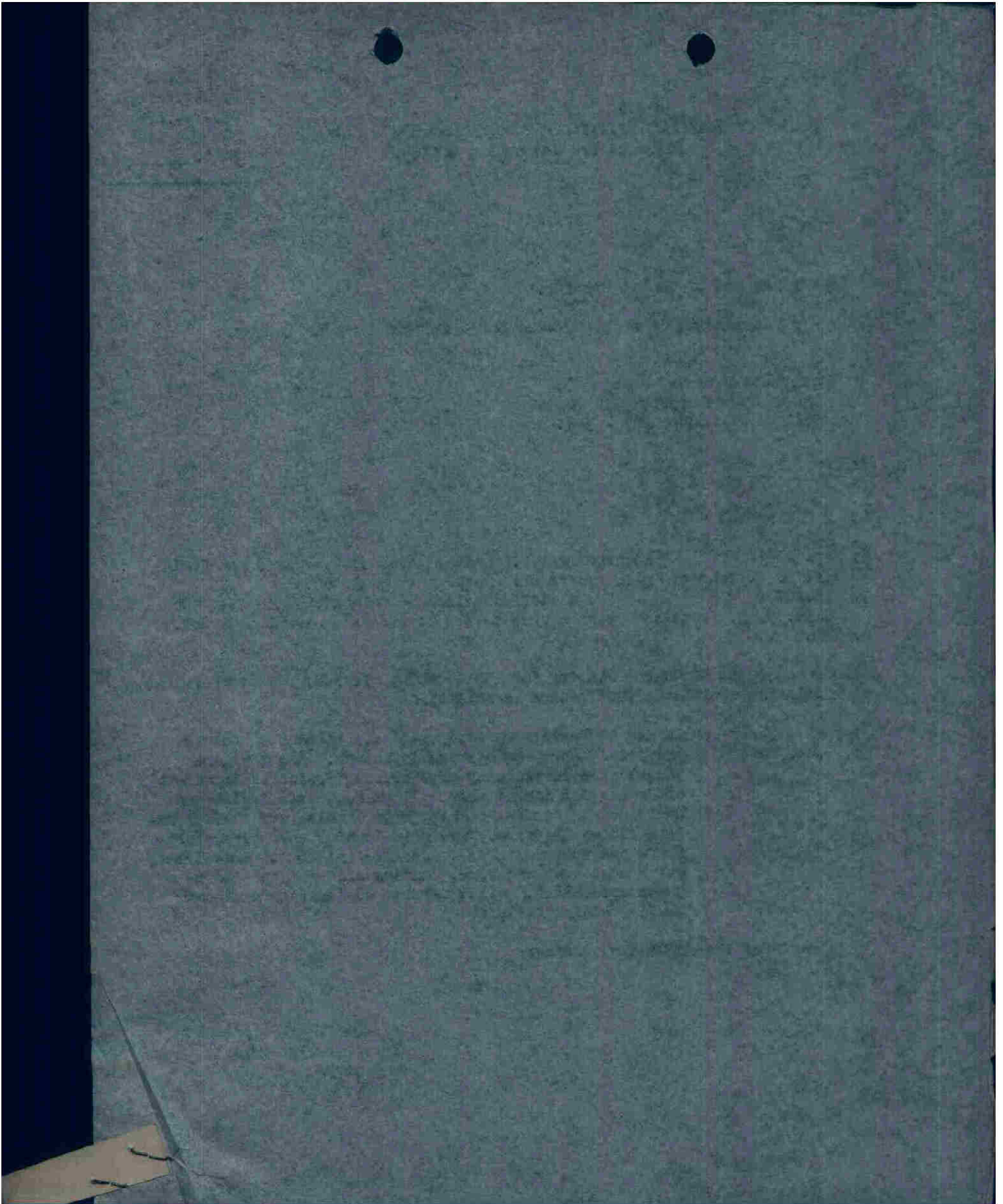
Reference Report of Combat Mission for 139th Combat Mission, 6 September 1944, the following additional information is submitted:

- 43-9221 Lt. W. A. Merchant Landed at Morlaix on strip A-51 C. Pilot and gunners previously shown as missing in action. Right engine caught fire in vicinity of Cherbourg Peninsula immediately after leaving target area. Pilot feathered engine and succeeded in landing on emergency landing strip after extinguishing the fire. Two main landing gear tires were blown out due to landing. Gunners bailed out immediately after engine caught fire. Entire crew returned to base 9 September 1944. Pilot reports engine blew cylinder causing engine failure.

For the Commanding Officer:

GEORGE SCHENKIN,
Captain, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

SEP 10 1944 #140



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ANNEX "A"

BOMBING INFORMATION

IX B.C. FIELD ORDER NO. 540BOX 1, 211, 1 GROUP 414 DATE 10 Sept 1944 - TARGET ATTACKED Enemy - 24301
de Hays1. Method of Sighting: Pre-set with corrections.2. Bombing approach: 925°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. Aimed at briefed aiming point.5. Name of lead Bombardier: Lt. A. H. Head6. Name of lead Pilot: Major L. J. Hites7. Intervalometer setting: None8. Indicated Air Speed: 200 Ground Speed: 245 Altitude: 120009. Length of bomb run: 270 Sec:10. Bomb Load and Fusing per A/C: 4 x 500 lb. FUSED 1/10 N
1/10 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 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?

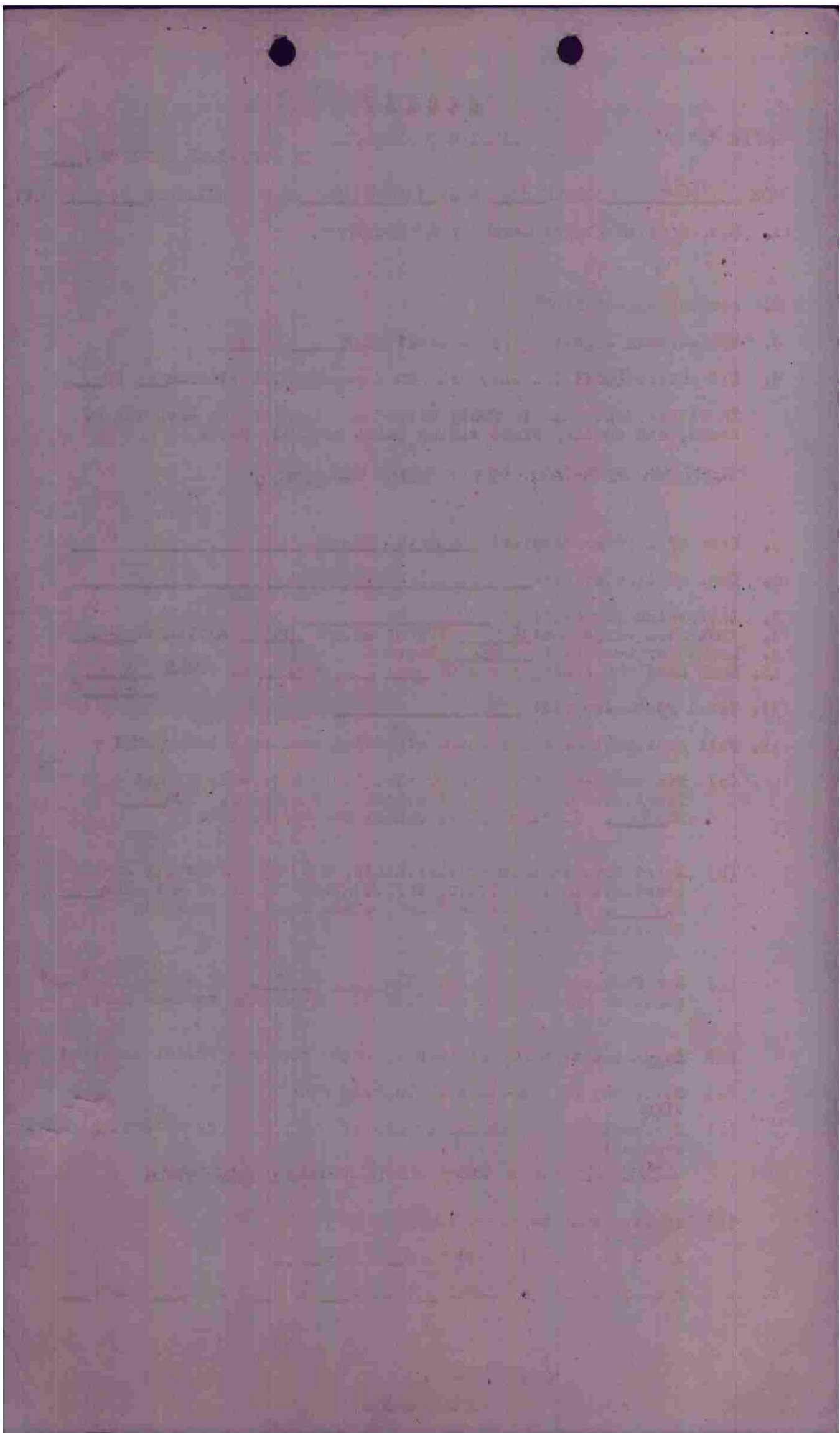
(e) State any difficulties on bombing run:

(f) Malfunctions, personnel errors or other factors affecting bombing:

(g) Bombing results as reported by crews:

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

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ANNEX "A"

BOMBING INFORMATION

IX B.C. FIELD ORDER NO. 500BOX 1, 112 2 - - GROUP 416 DATE 10 Sept 1944 TARGET ATTACKED Manay - Forest
Go Days1. Method of Sighting: From net with corrections.2. Bombing approach: 95°3. Was mercury erection system used? YES _____ NO X4. Did entire ~~(bomb)~~ (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:

From net with corrections. Aimed at briefed Aiming Point.5. Name of lead Bombardier: Lt. R. H. Mitchell6. Name of lead Pilot: Lt. R. E. Greenley7. Intervalometer setting: None8. Indicated Air Speed: 200 Ground Speed: 247 Altitude: 122009. Length of bomb run: 120 Sec:10. Bomb Load and Fusing per A/C: 4 x 500 lb. FUSED 1/10 N
1/40 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 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?

(e) State any difficulties on bombing run:

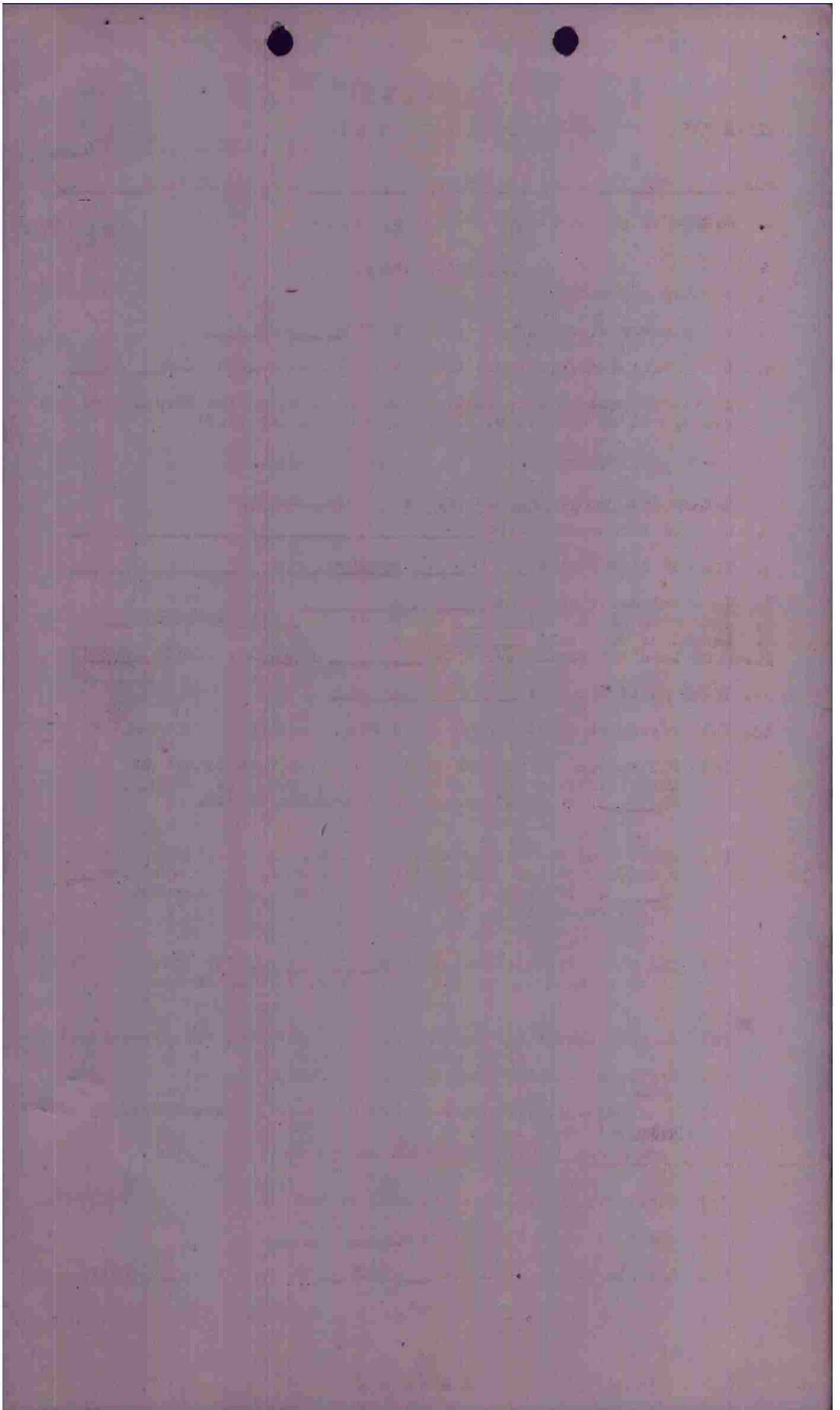
(f) Malfunctions, personnel errors or other factors affecting bombing:

Bubbles not level at release and not completely synchronized.

(g) Bombing results as reported by crews:

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

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ANNEX "A"

BOMBING INFORMATION

IX B.C. FIELD ORDER NO. 540BOX 1-214-3 - GROUP 416 - DATE 10 Sept 1944 - TARGET ATTACKED Manay - Forêt de Hays1. Method of Sighting: Pre-set with corrections.2. Bombing approach: 0003. 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:

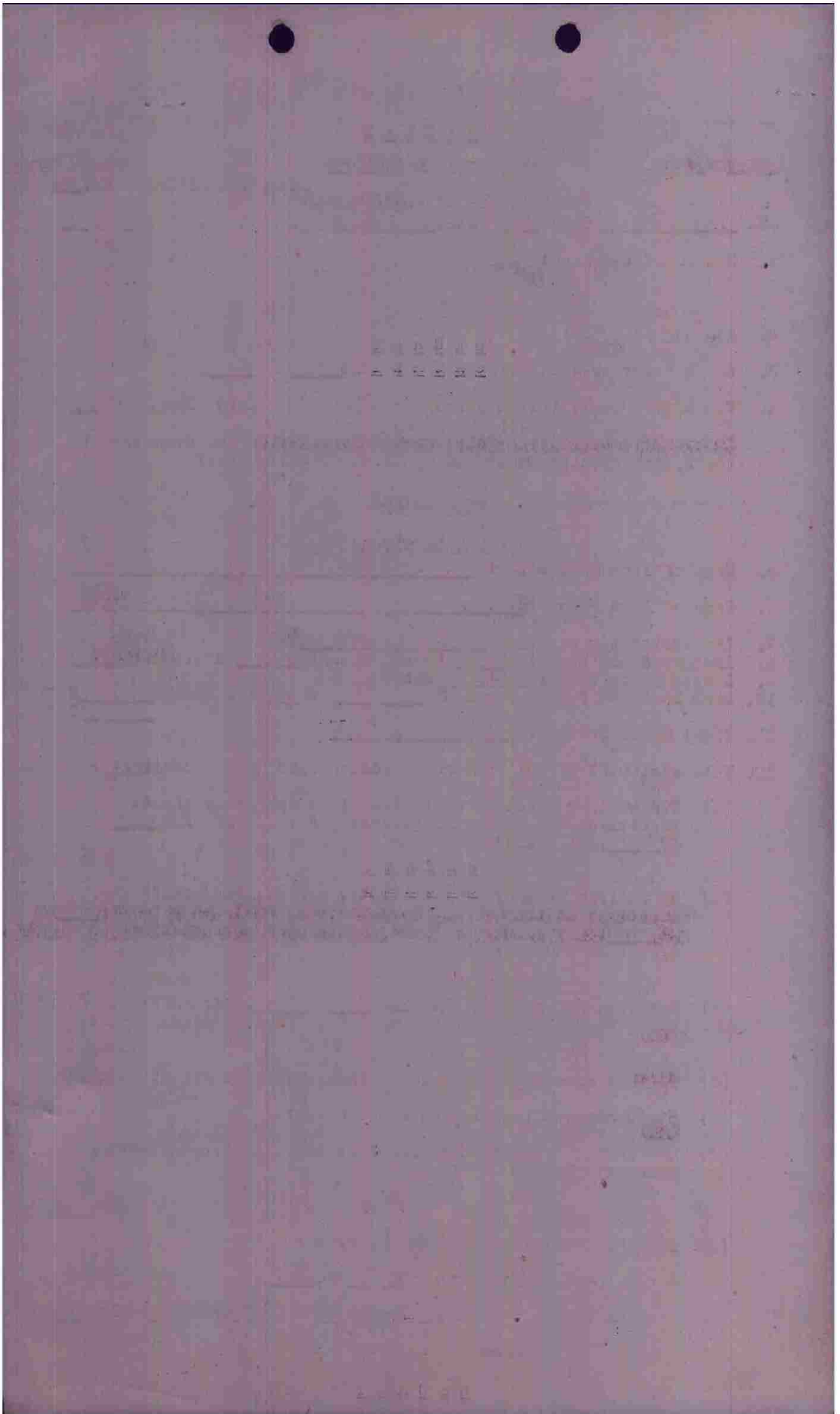
Pre-set with corrections. Aimed at briefed Aiming Point.5. Name of lead Bombardier: Lt. J. Macdonald6. Name of lead Pilot: Lt. W. A. Peck7. Intervalometer setting: None8. Indicated Air Speed: 300 Ground Speed: 243 Altitude: 110009. Length of bomb run: 60 Sec:10. Bomb Load and Fusing per A/C: 4 x 500 lb. FUSED 1/10 N
1/40 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 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 _____



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BOMBING INFORMATION

IX B.C. FIELD ORDER NO. 519BOX 2, 219.1 GROUP A16 DATE 10 Sept 1944 TARGET ATTACKED Rancy - Forêt de Hays1. Method of Sighting: Pre-set with corrections.2. Bombing approach: 355°3. Was mercury erection system used? YES _____ NO X4. Did entire ~~(bomb)~~ (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. Aimed at briefed Aiming Point.5. Name of lead Bombardier: Lt. E. Forns6. Name of lead Pilot: Capt. O. S. Osborne7. Intervalometer setting: None8. Indicated Air Speed: 200 Ground Speed: 242 Altitude: 115009. Length of bomb run: 10 Sec:10. Bomb Load and Fusing per A/C: 4 x 500 lb. FUSED Inst. N
Non-delay T11. Total Bombs Dropped: 47

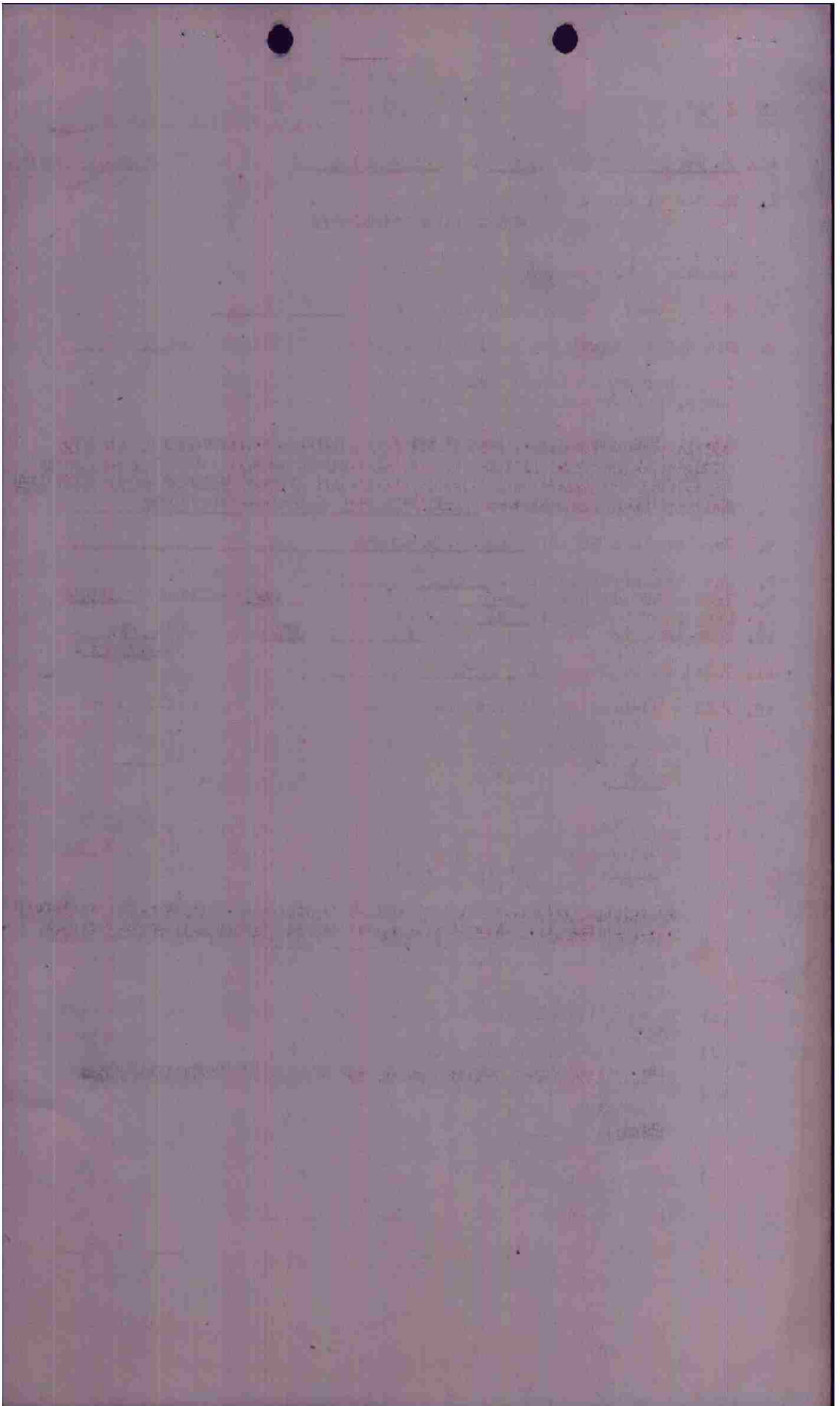
12. Full statement of all factors affecting bombing - including: -

(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:No pictures available of target area or aiming point. Had to estimate where A.P. was from map. Woods in wooded area and woods were not the same as the map.(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 _____

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BOMBING INFORMATION

IX B.C. FIELD ORDER NO. 340BOX 2, 514 3 GROUP 416 DATE 10 Sept 1944 TARGET ATTACKED Manay - Forot de Raze

1. Method of Sighting:

Pre-set with corrections.2. Bombing approach: 00°3. Was mercury erection system used? YES NO x 4. Did entire ~~(bomb)~~ (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. Aimed at briefed A aiming Point, according to his map. Wooded area and roads in area were not the same as shown on the map. Photos of target area and aiming point were not available. Actually aimed at point other than briefed aiming point although bombs hit where a bombardier had aimed.5. Name of lead Bombardier: 6. Name of lead Pilot: A. F. J. Barrold 7. Intervalometer setting: None8. Indicated Air Speed: 200 Ground Speed: 240 Altitude: 110009. Length of bomb run: 45 Sec: 10. Bomb Load and Fusing per A/C: 4 x 500 lb. FUSED Delay N
Normal T 11. 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 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:No photos available of area or A.F. B/H aimed at what he thought was correct A.F. and bombs hit where he aimed. It was not the correct or briefed A.F.(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

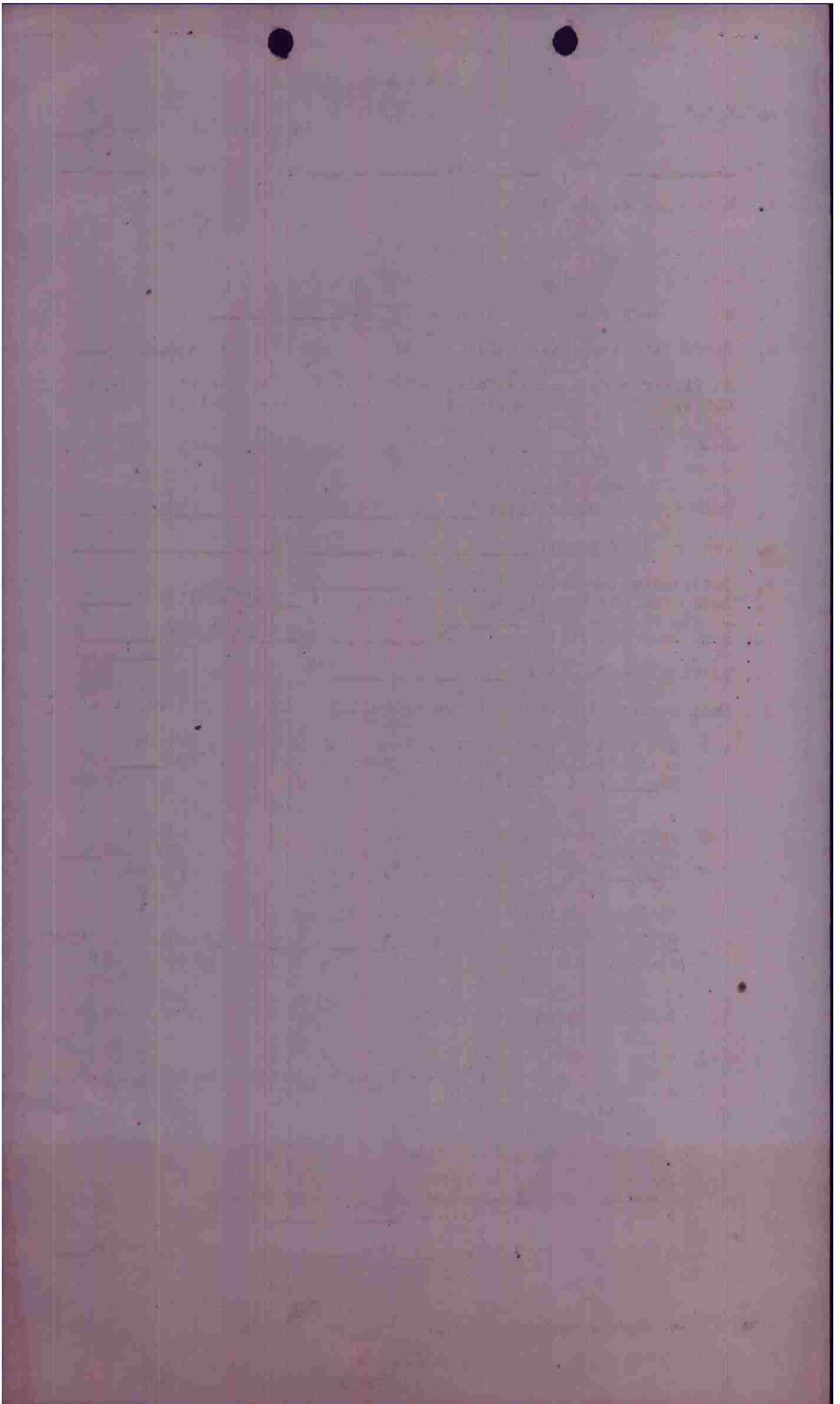
(e) State any difficulties on bombing run:

Could not locate briefed A.F. on map of area. No photos available.(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 GOOD FAIR POOR GROSS x

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LOADING LIST
BO X I
FLIGHT I

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1. 444 J
MAJOR R F PRICE ✓
a LT A R HAND ✓
SGT J H ROBERTS ✓
S/S R W BUNCH

2. 819 K ✓
a LT L G FREED ✓
S/S D E BROWN *
S/S L M DAUGHTERY

3. 764 X ✓
a LT P E PARKER ✓
SGT S. KOCHAN ✓
SGT A F GALLOWAY

4. 176 T ✓
a LT G EBENSTEIN ✓
S/S C F LOVE ✓
S/S F L ADAIR

5. 480 E ✓
a LT W L HALE ✓
SGT J F GEYER ✓
SGT D H BENTZLER

6. 907 O ✓
a LT J H WRIGHT ✓
SGT P J PROFITA *
SGT J R SIMMONS

FLIGHT II

1. 1711 S ✓
a LT R E GREENLEY ✓
LT R H MITCHELL *
S/S H C WOLDEN ✓
S/S J J REPKA

2. 219 D ✓
a LT H D ANDREWS ✓
S/S O E SWANK ✓
S/S E R WERLEY

3. 135 H ✓
a LT M ZUBON ✓
T/S J R L TANNER ✓
S/S W C RUSSELL

4. 212 C ✓
a LT R G MOREHOUSE ✓
S/S L A ZYGIEL ✓
S/S A J BURGESS

5. 3711 M ✓
a LT H M VAN NOORDEN ✓
CPL R I STEFFY H*
SGT G THOMPSON

6. 951 P ✓
a LT D A FERRO ✓
CPL T W SKELTON ✓
CPL A A ROJAS

FLIGHT III

1. 135 T-1 ✓
a LT W A PECK ✓
LT J MADENFORT ✓
S/S A E BERGERON ✓
S/S H E KELTON

2. 767 N ✓
a LT E J RENTH ✓
S/S O D LANAVE *
CPL L MOSKOWITZ

4. 376 O-1 ✓
a LT W F TRIPP ✓
S/S J O SCOTT ✓
S/S D F MALLORY

4. 1961 P-1 ✓
a LT T BOUKAMP ✓
S/S R J OCLOSIMO ✓
S/S J B WING

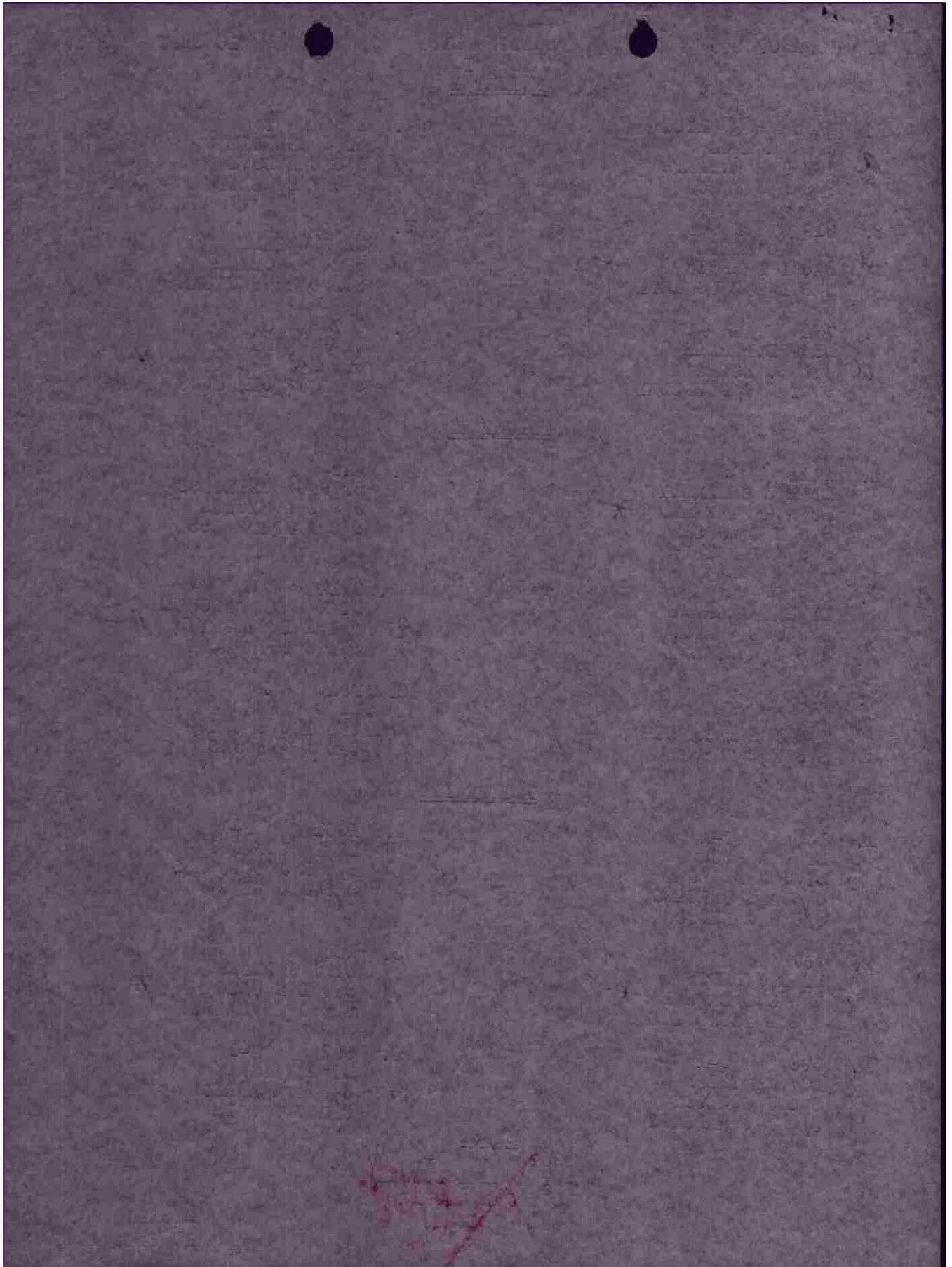
5. 165 V ✓
a LT J F ALLEN ✓
SGT L R GETZEN *
SGT C H VEAZEY

6. 692 M-1 ✓
a LT W H LAND ✓
S/S D R AERIOLA ✓
CPL V F FAIR

SPARE

357 B-1
LT A REMISE ✓
SGT S H BROWN ✓
CPL T BROWN ✓
No further

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LOADING LIST
BOX 11
FLIGHT 1

10 SEPT. 1944

1. 717 P
CAPT O S OSBORNE ✓
a LT W FORMAN ✓
SGT L V METZLER ✓
SGT J J SITTARICH ✓

2. 226 E
a CAPT R B PRENTISS ✓ LT. W. E. DOWNING
S/S J L MC GREEY ✓ S/S E. S. DICKENSON
S/S H J SYLVA ✓ S/S R. E. HORNBECK

3. 195 D
a LT R R SVENSON *
S/S P G FILD *
S/S G F PFENNING *

4. 194 C
a LT R D LESHNER ✓
S/S H R HEDRICK ✓
SGT S L HEITELL ✓

5. 150 N
a LT J B SAIDLA *
SGT J F CAVANAUGH *
SGT J M HARRIS *

6. 760 Z
a LT H M EVANS ✓
SGT C SKEENS ✓
SGT C N MERRITT ✓

FLIGHT 11

1. 063 A
c LT H A MONROE ✓
LT B L KIRK ✓
S/S W L KIDD ✓
S/S S RISKO ✓

4. 224 E-1
c LT C L MCGLOHN ✓
S/S J W MORAN ✓
S/S P B DRISKILL ✓

2. 467 W
c LT D F SHEA ✓
LT O R KOCH ✓
S/S R E LEE ✓
S/S F G FALK ✓

5. 674 R
c LT J R WARREN ✓
SGT C C STROUP ✓
SGT S J TURPIN ✓

3. 892 L
c CAPT R O GRUETZEMACHER ✓
SGT S J MAJEWAKI ✓
SGT A TERAN ✓

6. 217 D-1
c F/O E O TURNER ✓
SGT J SEINKIEWICZ ✓
SGT J O BELCAS ✓

FLIGHT 111

1. 452 Q
c LT F J HARROLD ✓
LT W E BREWER ✓
S/S E L GRIFFIN ✓
CAPT M B SHERIDAN ✓

4. 720 F
c LT R B HALL ✓
S/S D S BLACKFORD ✓
S/S L C BURGER ✓

2. 900 Q-1
b LT E L JOHN SON ✓
S/S W J DONAHUE ✓
S/S I BINNEY ✓

5. 810 P-1
c LT T A MURPHY ✓
SGT J J RICKETSON ✓
SGT L W O'CONNELL ✓

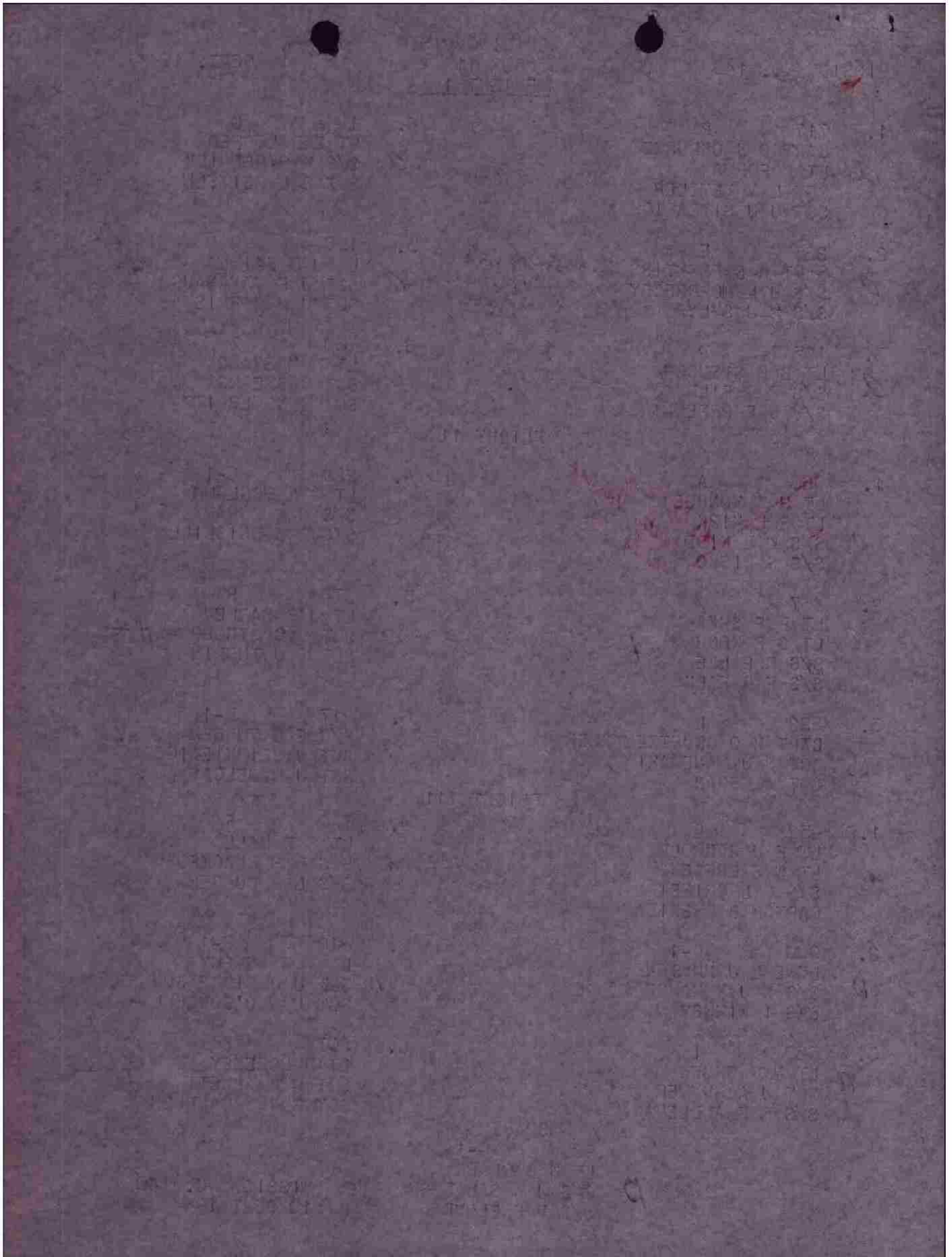
3. 689 I
a LT N G BROWN ✓
SGT J A HUMMER ✓
S/S R F ADDLEMAN ✓

6. 207 B
c LT H POPENEY ✓
SGT W E ARNETT ✓
SGT H C S CANDLER ✓

SPARE

929 C-1
LT H B CLARK ✓
S/S J W SABADOSH ✓
S/S D F FLOYD ✓

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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

TO: 97TH COMBAT WING

SECRET IN THE CLEAR

"J" FORM OPERATIONAL CLEARANCE F-1 10 SEPTEMBER 1944

PREPARED BY MAJOR ROBERT A. CLARK

B. 0837

C. NORTH IRELAND

D. BOX I . . . R/T . . . FISHLOCK ONE

668 6 J K X T B O

671 6 SDHCMP

669 6 ~~EN~~ N O-1 P-1 V. T-1 M-1

671 1 (SPARE) B-1

~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ GROUP LEADER 668 . . . J

DEP UTX . . . 671 S

BOX II . . . R/T FISHLOCK TWO

668 6 PEDCNZ

67012 A W L E-1 R D-1 Q N-1 I F P-1 B

669 1 (SPARE) C-1

SECOND BOX LEADER 668 P

DEPUTY 670 A

E. 12,000

Y. GRAVELINES

G. 0847

H. 142

J. GRAVELINES

K. NORTH FORELAND

L. 1110

M. 1. TAKE OFF . . . 0756 . . . SET COURSE . . . 0816 . . . E.T.A. . . . 1128

2. $h \approx 500$ GP

3. 4 HOURS

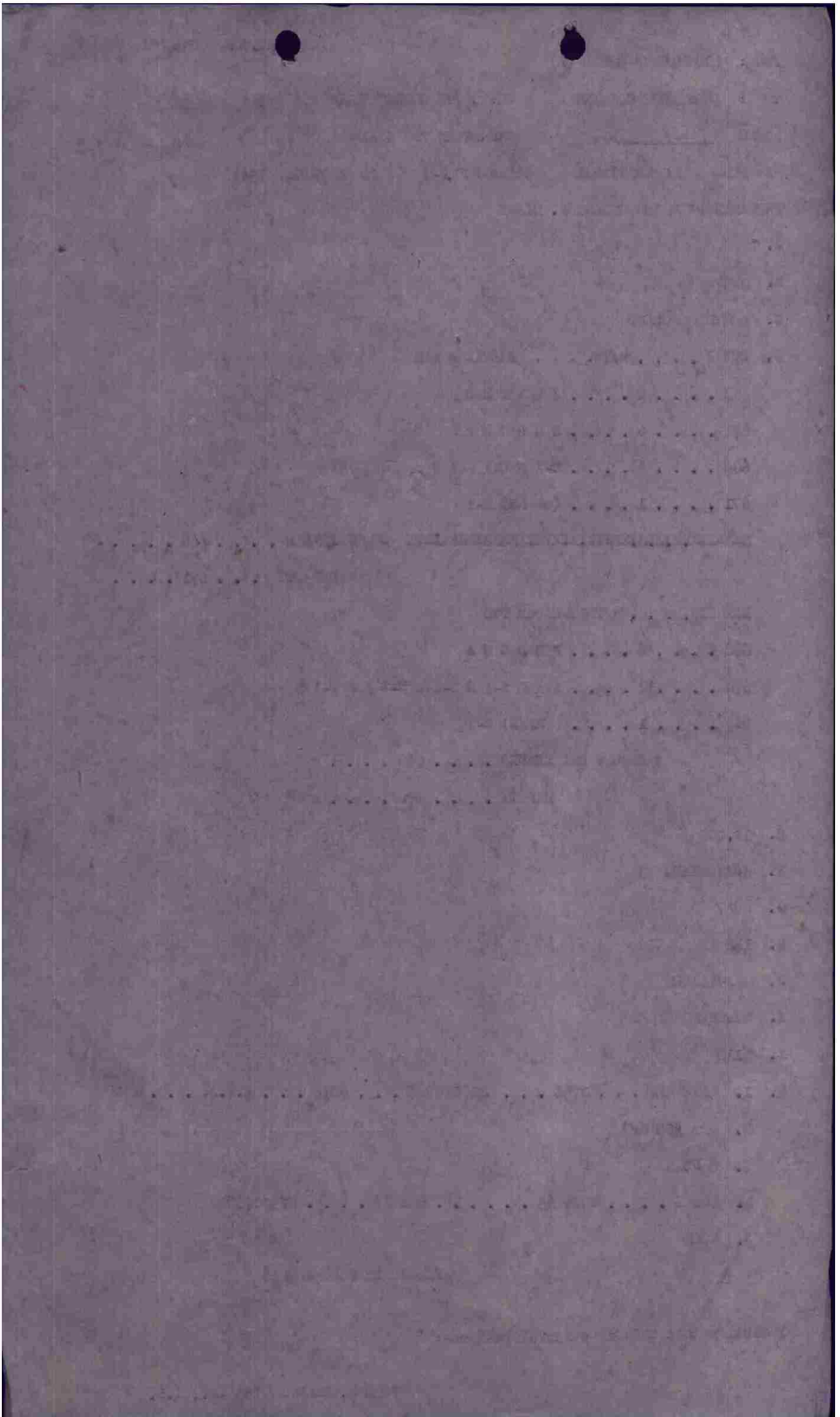
4. BOX I U821165 BOX II U750090

5. NONE

AYLESWORTH COBOMGR 416

I certify that this is official business:

JOHN M. BONURA, 1st Lt., A.C.



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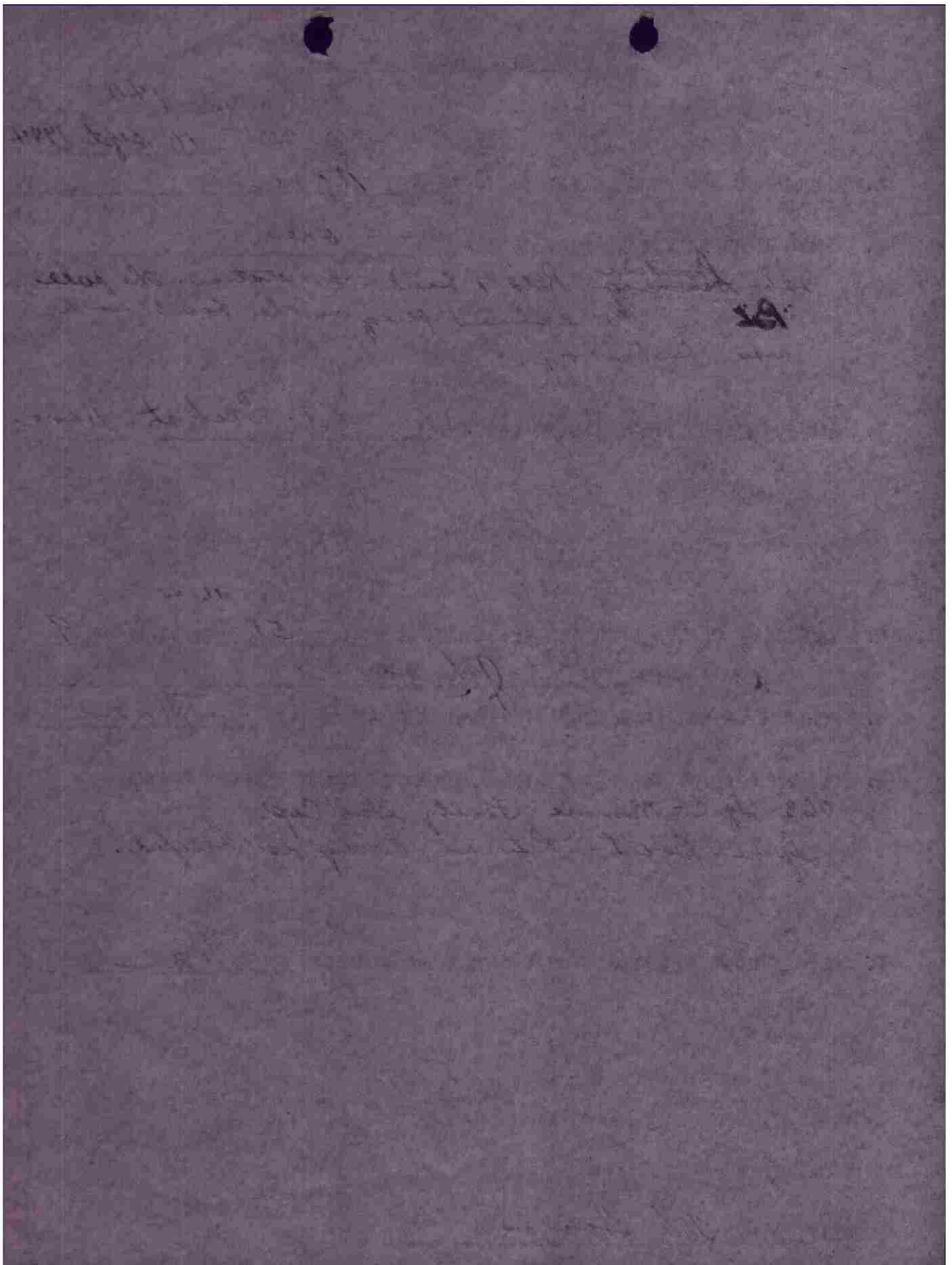
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226- ~~Leaning~~ ^{Practice} Red 1 bomb - #1 station. The pale
 "B" in the cannon plug to the bomb rack
 was broken off.

3. CAMERA MALFUNCTIONS (PHOTO LAB - 84) Lt. Cachat None4. NUMBER OF PLANES OPERATIONAL: BOMB GROUP 51 SERVICE GP 9CALLED TO WING Lt. Johnson5. PERCENT OF BATTLE DAMAGE (INTELLIGENCE - 33 OR 17) None6. PLANES FAILING TO BECOME AIRBORNE OR RETURNING EARLY - REASON

063 - Sq. C. - Monroe - Faulty Gas Cap.
 Spare - Box I - Returned Early as briefed.

7. PLANES LOST OR LANDING AWAY FROM BASE - REASON None(SUBMITTED BY W. Boole)



5-3

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

FROM: COBOMGR 416

TO : COMCBTWIG 97 ATT: SIG O

A - MS - 139

B - 10 SEPT 44

C - 36 A/C

D - 669 - N - INTERPHONE NOISY, REPAIRED AND CHECKED OKAY.

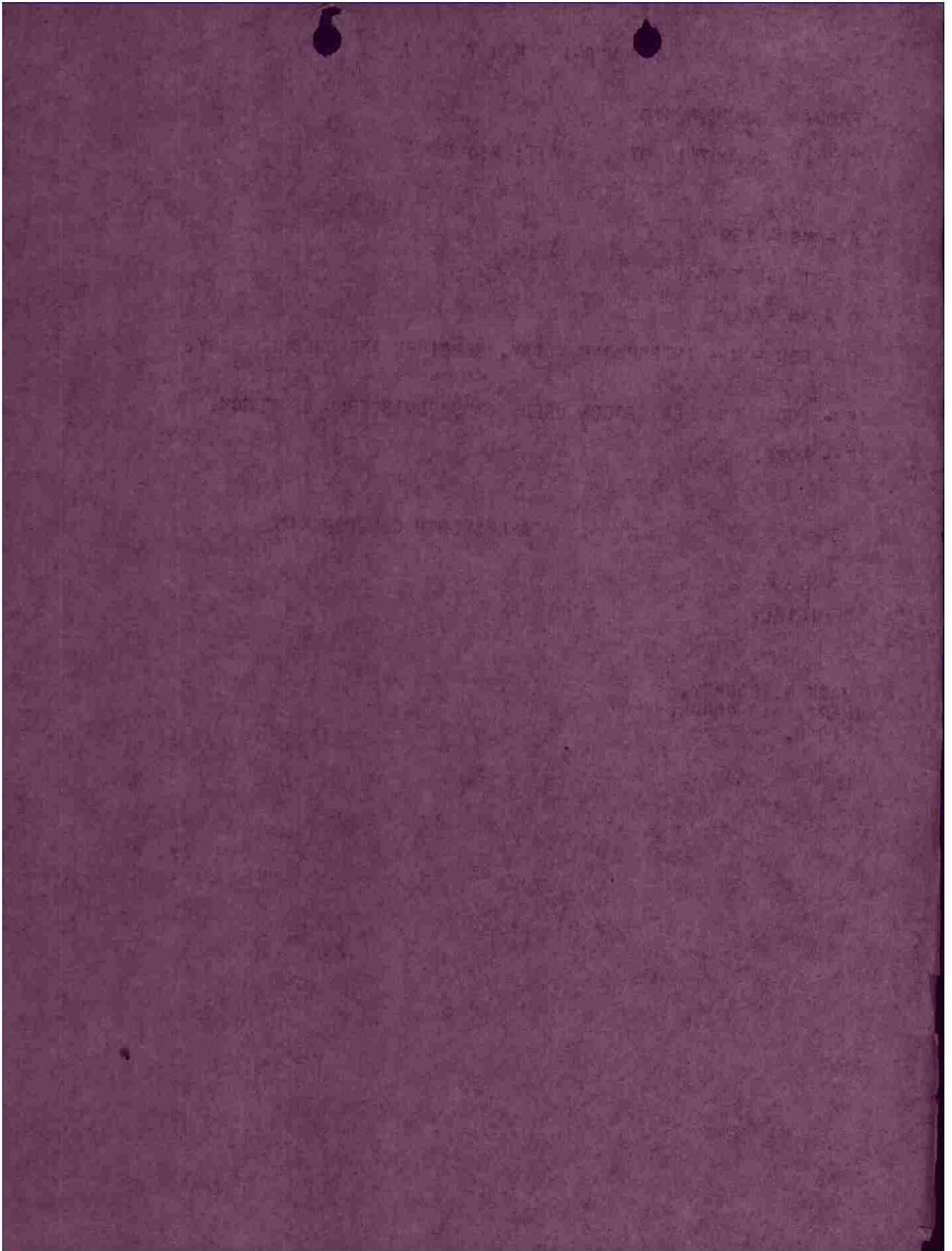
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F - NONE.

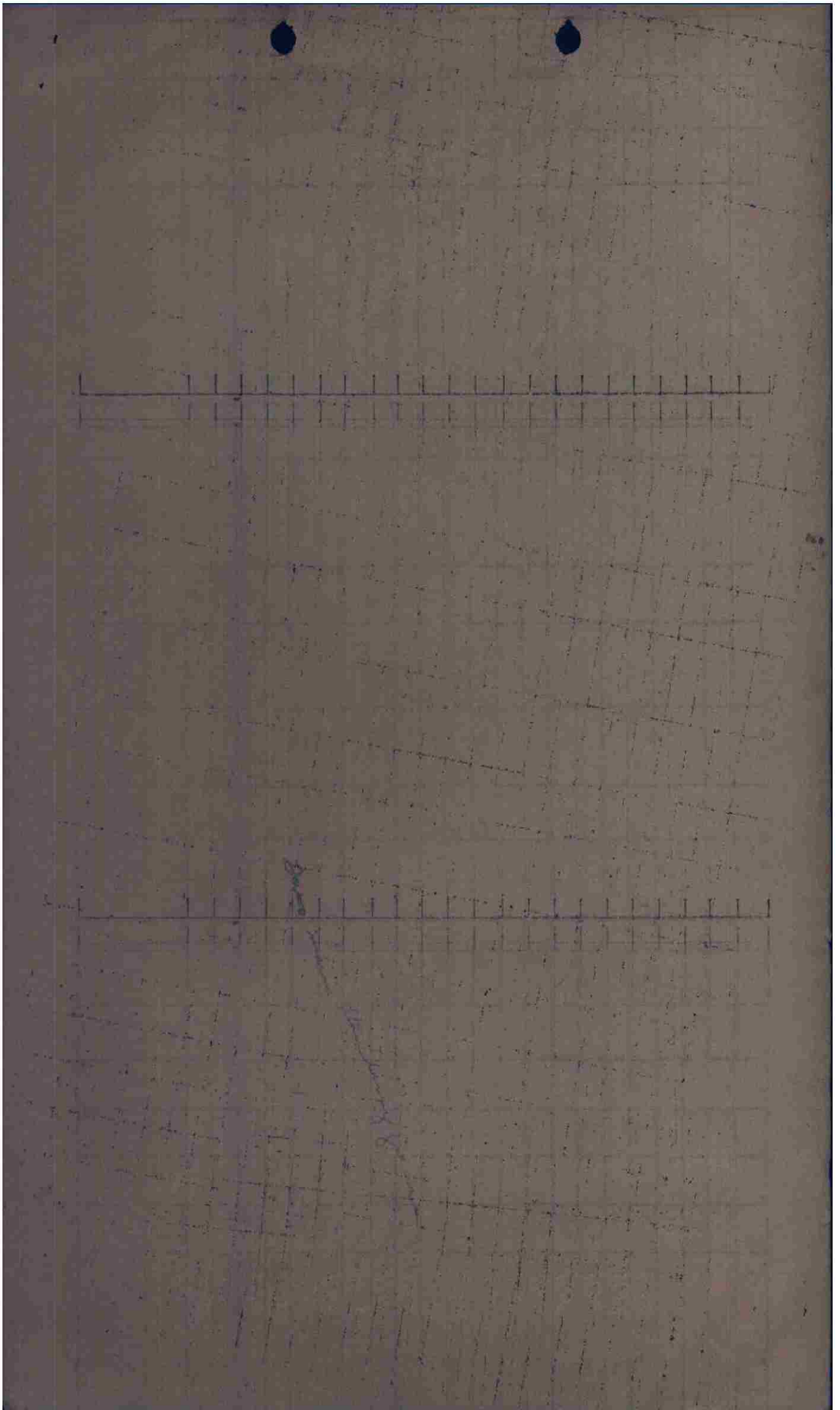
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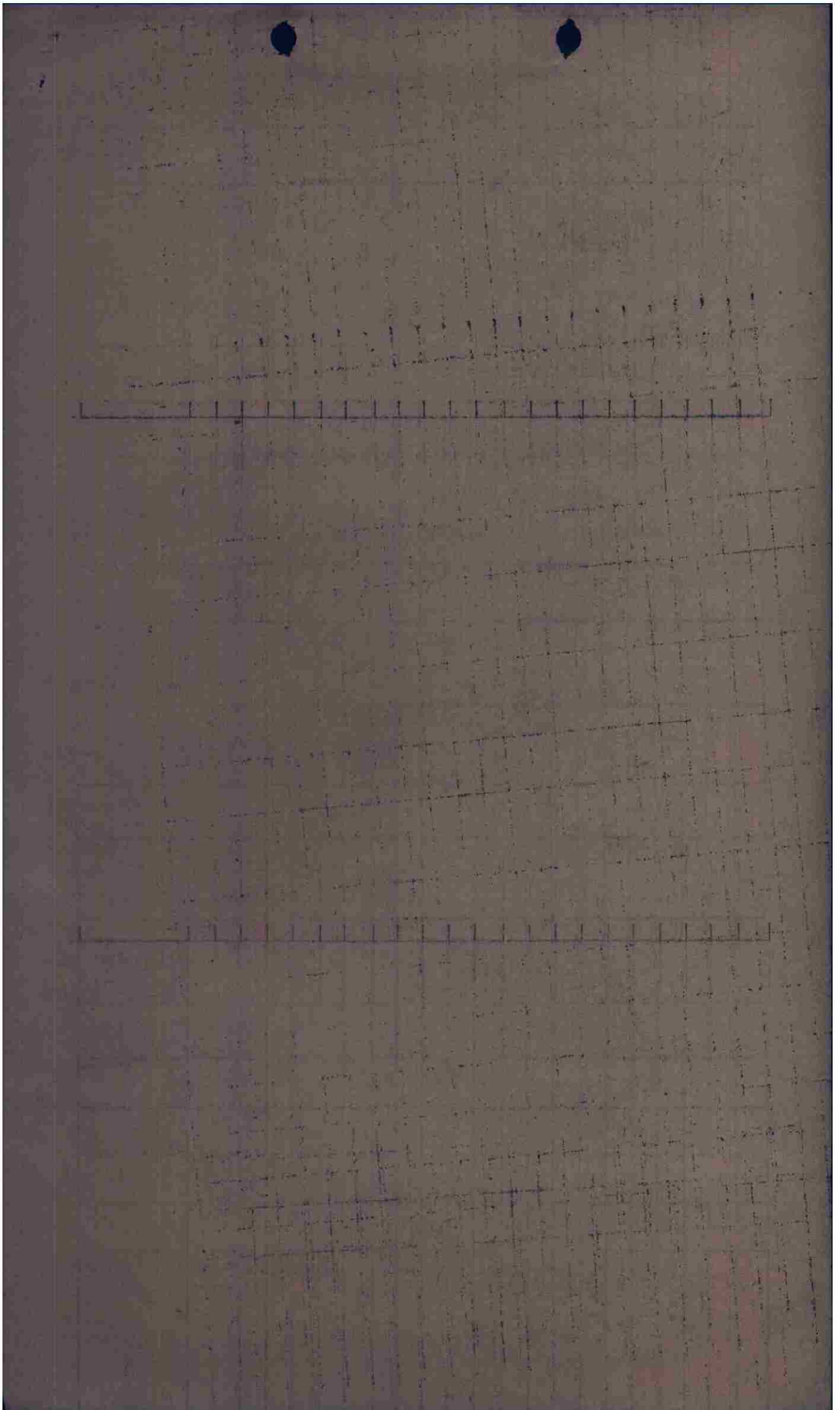
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CAPT, AIR CORPS,
SIG O.



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A	Z	760	EVANS			0804										1141	3:40												
C	A	063	MONROE			0805										0823													
C	W	467	SHEA			0805						*				1145	3:40												
C	L	842	GRUETZEMACHER			0805										1129	3:45												
C	E-1	224	MCGLOTH			0805										1146	3:45												
C	TR	674	WARREN			0806						1146				1146	3:40												
C	D-1	217	TURNER			0806						*				1146	3:40												
C	Q	452	HARROLD			0806										1142	3:40												
C	N-1	780	JOHNSON			0806										1143	3:40												
C	I	619	BROWN			0807						*				1143	3:40												
C	F	720	R.B. HALL			0807										1144	3:40												
C	P-1	810	MURPHY			0807						*				1145	3:40												
C	B	207	POTENLEY			0807										1144	3:40												
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FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 10/0047B S-34-E

TO COMBOMCON IX

409TH BOMB GROUP (INFO)

410TH BOMB GROUP

416TH BOMB GROUP

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY BT

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

97TH COMBAT BOMB WING

A P O 140

10 SEPTEMBER 1944

FIELD ORDER NO. 207-540

MAPS: NORMAL

1. B. (1) REF. CURRENT BOMB LINE
(2) P-51 AREA COVER WILL BE PROVIDED FOR THIS WING.

2. THIS WING WILL ATTACK TARGETS IN FRANCE.

ZERO HOURC 10/0030B

3. A. 410TH BOMB GROUP:
(12) T.O.T. ZERO HOUR PLUS 10 MINUTES.

- B. 416TH BOMB GROUP:
(12) T.O.T. ZERO HOUR PLUS 20 MINUTES.

- X. (1) TO (3) NO CHANGE
(4) STRIPS - A-26, C-48, AND FIELDS LOCATED AT COORD. N-9130,
M-8651, M-783A; AND MANSTON.
(5) TARGET: GRID COORDINATES: U-821165 AND U-750090.
(6) A/C REQUIRED: 2 BOXES OF 18 BOMBING BY FLIGHTS OF 6.
(7) ROUTE OUT: BASE TO NORTH FORELAND TO 5000N 0200E TO 4831N
0530E TO I.P. TO TARGET.
(8) ROUTE BACK: TARGET TURN LEFT TO R.P. TO 4900N 0445E AND
RETRACE ROUTE.
(9) ALTITUDES: BOMB AT 12,000 FEET OR BELOW CLOUD BASE DOWN TO
BUT NOT BELOW 8,000 FEET. CROSS FRENCH COAST OUT
AT BOMBING ALTITUDE.

(10) I.P. 4820N 0600E

(11) AXIS OF ATTACK: GENERALLY S TO N.

(12) MHP.I. 3 FLIGHTS EACH GROUP ON U-821165

3 FLIGHTS EACH GROUP ON U-750090

(13) 4 X 500 G.P. FLIGHTS ON COORD. UAIUCCYT FUSED: 1/10 SEC.

NOSE, 1/40 SEC. TAIL.

FLIGHTS ON COORD. U-750090 FUSED: INST. NOSE, NON- DELAY
T IL.

(14) R.P. 4845N 0535E

(15) NO ALTERNATE TARGETS WILL BE ATTACK ON THIS MISSION.

(16) THE 410TH GROUP WILL TAKE OFF AT LEAST 10 MINUTES BEFORE THE
416TH GROUP.

(17) LANDING STRIPS IN FRANCE TO BE USED ONLY IN EXTREME EMER-
GENCY.

4. NO CHANGE.

5. COMMUNICATIONS:

B. 410TH BOMB GROUP:

(2) MANGO

(4) SWEEPSTAKE B/B

C. 416TH BOMB GROUP:

(2) FISHLOCK

(4) SWEEPSTAKE B/B

X. GENERAL INFORMATION:

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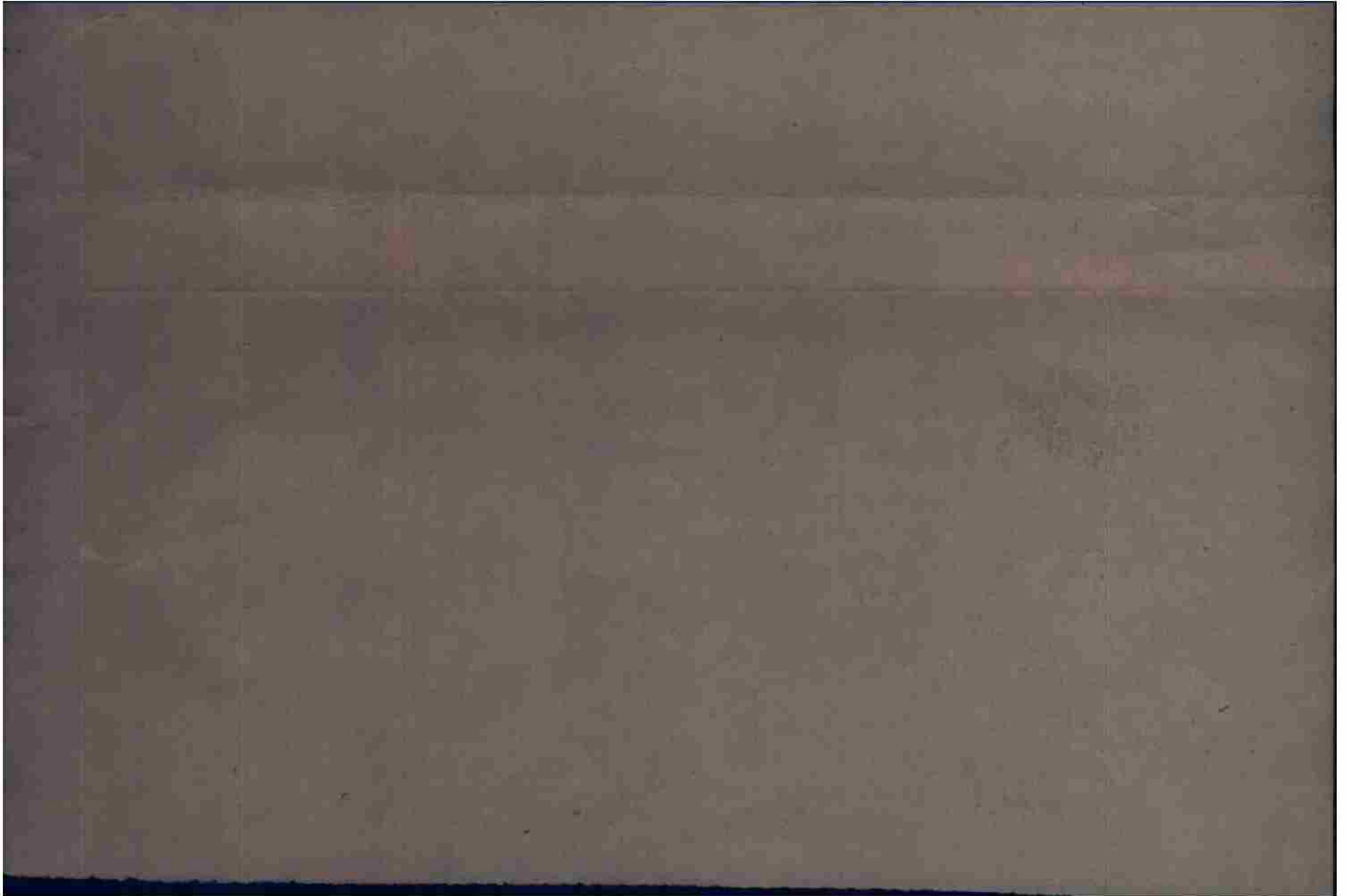
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 FROM 416TH BOMB GROUP (L) 10/1300B S-179-D
 TO HQ IX BOMBER COMMAND ATTN: A-2
 HQ 97TH COMBAT WING ATTN: A-2
 CONFIDENTIAL BT

REF: MISSION NO. 140
 OFFLASH NO. 146 FOR SEPT 10, 1944.

- A. (1) GRID COORD. U821165 AND U750090
 (2) SAME
 B. (1) 416TH BG
 (2) 6 A-20J'S AND 31 A-20G'S
 (3) 1 A-20J LEADING 5TH FLIGHT RETURNED EARLY WHEN HIS
 GAS CAP CAME OFF AND HE WAS LOSING GAS. THE A-20G SPARE
 SHIP TOOK HIS PLACE AND THIS FLIGHT BOMBED WITH FLT
 NO. 4
 C. (1) 0757
 (2) 0954 - 1002.
 (3) 1146
 (4) 36 A/C SPARE A-20G REPLACED THE SHIP THAT RETURNED EARLY
 D. (1) NIL
 (2) 0-0-0
 (3) 0-0-0
 E. FLT 1 - GOOD
 2 - GOOD - EXCELLENT
 3 - GOOD - EXCELLENT
 4 - GOOD - EXCELLENT
 5 - BOMBED ON FLT 4
 6 - GOOD - EXCELLENT
 F. (1) (A) NIL
 (B) NIL
 (2) (A) NIL
 (B) NIL
 G. LARGE FIRES OBSERVED IN THE TARGET AREA.
 H. (1) CLEAR AT THE TARGET
 (2) 7/10 TO 8/10 CLOUDS AT 4000 - 6000 FEET TO THE FRENCH
 COAST. CLEAR OVER CONTINENT.
 I. 143 X 500 GP ON PRIMARY
 1 X 500 GP RETURNED
 J. 11200 FT BOX I
 10800 FT BOX II

AYLESWORTH COBOMGR 416

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