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

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DATE: 17 April 1945

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SUBJECT: A-26 OPWT No. 16 for 24 hours ending sunset 16 April 1945

TO : Commanding General, 9th Bombardment Division (M), APO 140, U. S. Army, Attn: Statistical Control Officer.

Mission No. 273, 97th Combat Wing Field Order No. 255-853

1. Operational Factors:

Place of take-off Station A-69 Place of Landing Station A-69
Take-off time 0834 type mission Bombing T.O.T. 1057-1058
Targets Zerst Built Up Area (primary) None (secondary)
Landing time 1312 Opr. hours (a) 127:45 Opr. hours (b) 30:25
Weather Clear

2. Effort:

Dispatched 38 A-26's Sorties 38 Effective sorties 31
A/C expending bombs 31 Non-effective sorties 7
1 bomb master switch not turned on (personnel) 6 flight leaders did not
attack because briefed TOT limit would have been exceeded before second
run could be made after collision course with other flights prevented bombing
A/C returning early None on first run (Other)

3. Bombs carried into air: 228 x 500 lb M-17 Incend. cluster fused to open at/
Expend 186 x 500 lb M-17's fused to open at 5000 ft. Alt. 13000-13500
target Zerst Built Up Area results Excd, Undet, No Attack, Undet, Undet, /
Expend fused N T Alt. Undet.
target results
Expend fused N T Alt.
target results

4. Ammunition carried: 71600 x .50 cal.Ammunition expended: None

5. None.

6. Flak encountered:

Location bomb run amount weak accuracy accurate type HEF7. Enemy a/c encountered: None

a. type and model of a/c

b. individual air claims

c. individual ground claims

8. Claims against miscellaneous ground targets: None

9. U. S. Aircraft casualties:

Destroyed None Missing NoneDamaged 1 damaged cat AC - flak1 damaged cat A - flak

10. U. S. Personnel casualties:

No. 1 type LWA cause flak (Annexer Gunner)11. Remarks: None

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1. Effort:
- | Dispatched | Sorties | Effective Sorties |
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| Non-effective sorties | | |
| NOT APPLICABLE | | |
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2. Bombs carried into air: 228 x 500 lb M-17's fused To over Net 5000 feet
 238 x 500 lb G.P. fused 1/10 N 1/100 T
 fused N T
 fused N T
- Expended on operations: 186 x 500 lb M-17's fused To over Net 5000 feet
 42 x 500 lb G.P. fused 1/10 N 1/100 T
 fused N T
 fused N T
- Jettisoned : None
- Lost on wrecked a/c : None
- Returned : 42 x 500 lb M-17's
 136 x 500 lb G.P.
3. Ammunition expended : None
- Ammunition lost on : None
 wrecked or missing a/c

For the Commanding Officer:

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 GEORGE SCHUNKIN,
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