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43-22
1. 640 N
CAPT H M EVANS
LT T L MC CARTNEY 700
A LT H E MYROLD
S/S C I SITKINS
General E N HARMON

41-39
2. 188 R
LT L E CANNON
A S/S W F FUENTER 600

43-22
3. 356 C
LT J W FLEVINS 640
D S/S F GENTRY

41-39
4. 259 H
LT J P PHILIPS 725
A S/S W A MILLER

43-22
5. 385 D
LT E P DRUT 720
A SGT J R SCHWARTZKOPF

41-39
6. 305 U
LT R H LONG 615
A SGT D YOULIOS

FLIGHT 11

43-22
1. 528 T
LT H POPENOE
LT C F FRY
C LT R E PETTERS 720
S/S W E ARNETT

IB

43-22
2. 320 S
LT S H STELEY 740
C S/S M LICKER

41-39
4. 221 P 790
LT E TURNER
C S/S J SIENKIEWICZ
S/S J O OTTAVIANO

41-39
5. 205 M
F/O S B BOERNER 705
C SGT E A EDDY

IB

43-22
3. 2315 L
CAPT R C GRIETZMACHER 700
C S/S J J RICHARDSON

41-39
6. 292 N
LT A R TURMAN 720
C S/S A C BASILE

FLIGHT 111

43-22
1. 501 W
LT R B HALL 725
F/O T L GOSS
C S/S W S JACKSON
LT M PAVEY

41-39
4. 328 D
LT W D CHITTY 650
D SGT V B RACCIO
SGT F A MIRABELLA

41-39
2. 398 Q
MAJOR H F COLANT 615
C LT L J PAGE
S/S W I KIDD

43-22
5. 336 G
LT J F STANKOWSKI 675
C SGT J R VELLINGA

41-39
3. 286 D
LT J F WALLACE 750
C SGT R PLANT

41-39
6. 9315 F
LT J V O'BRIEN 725
C SGT F E GORCY
S/S D B RICHARDS

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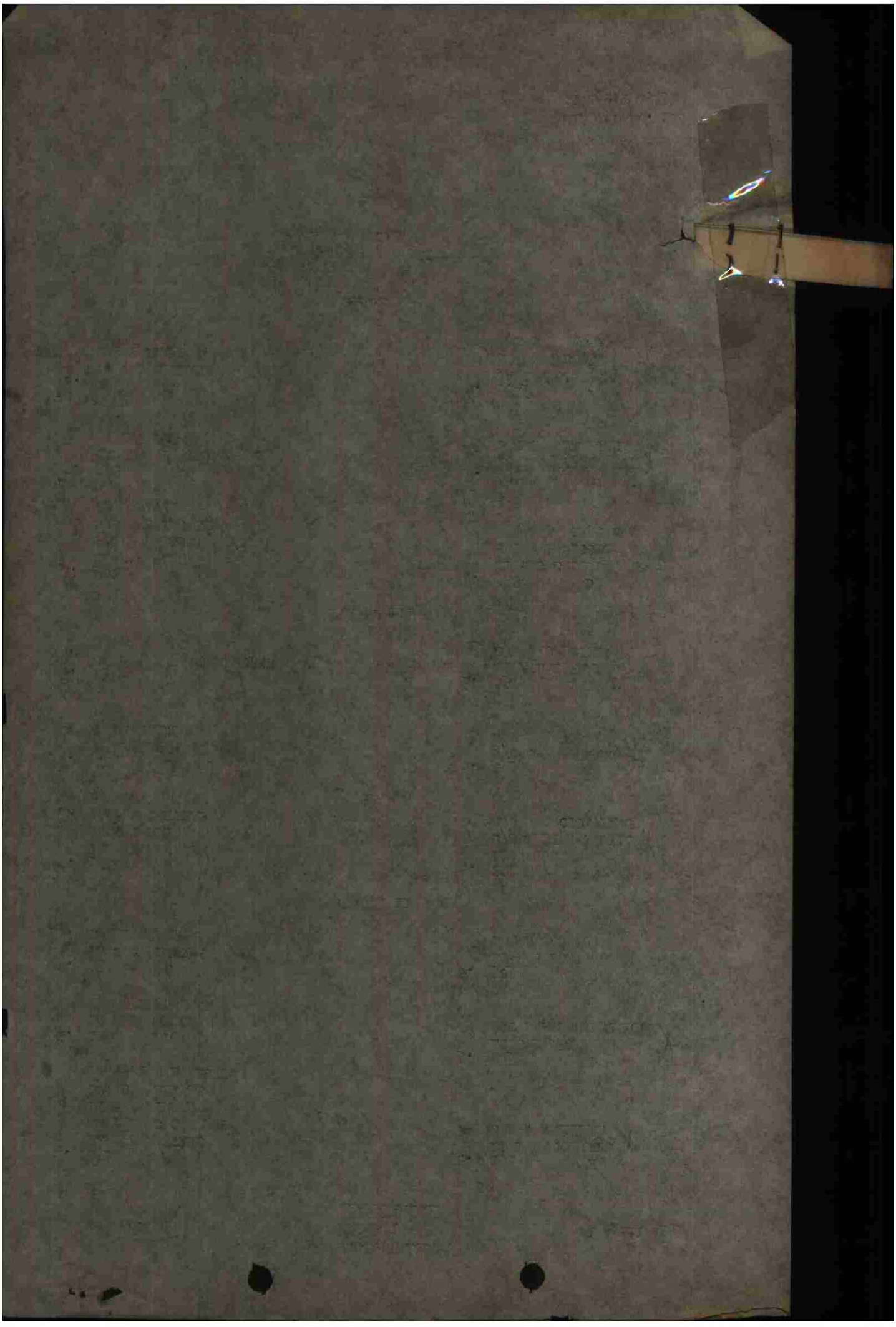
41-39 209 M
D MAJOR E T RONEY 645
S/S A ROJAS

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1. 508 Z
A CAPT C S STANLEY
F/O J H BLOUNT 675
S/S C B COLLIER

2. 505 Y
A LT R A RUSSELL 675
LT D R REED
S/S O N MERRITT

3. 271 R
B LT T D MC CREADY 650
S/S W E LEMONDS

4. 352 J
A LT W H ROBERTS
S/S A R HOOD

5. 274 S
A LT F R TANK 625
S/S C L CALABRESE

6. 310 A
A LT R J LACHNER
SGT A J MUSARRA

FLIGHT 11

1. 609 N
B LT G S JORDAN
LT R F MULGREW 600
S/S D F JENSEN

2. 393 M
B CAPT J M SHAPARD 675
S/S J J MC GUIRE

3. 362 Y
B LT E C MARTIN
S/S L B DRAFT 675
LT J W BRITT

4. 252 D
B LT J F ALLEN 640
S/S C W VEAZEY
SGT D K HEMAN

5. 314 H
B LT D E SMITH 625
S/S K A REID

6. 389 V
B LT C E WEINERT 625
SGT R D FRANCIS

IB

FLIGHT 111

1. 499 G
D LT VAN NOORDEN H M 650
F/O C W BRANDT
S/S G THOMPSON

2. 239 N
D CAPT A C SEARS 600
M/SGT J J WELLS

3. 265 V
D S/SGT G G STEPHENSON 625

4. 360 L
D LT J C GARY 700
SGT A E SCHOEN

5. 297 T
D LT J W SPIRES 610
S/S L E DAVIS

6. 313 B
D LT A E HLIVKO 675
SGT R E GRAUB
SGT S J SNIDER

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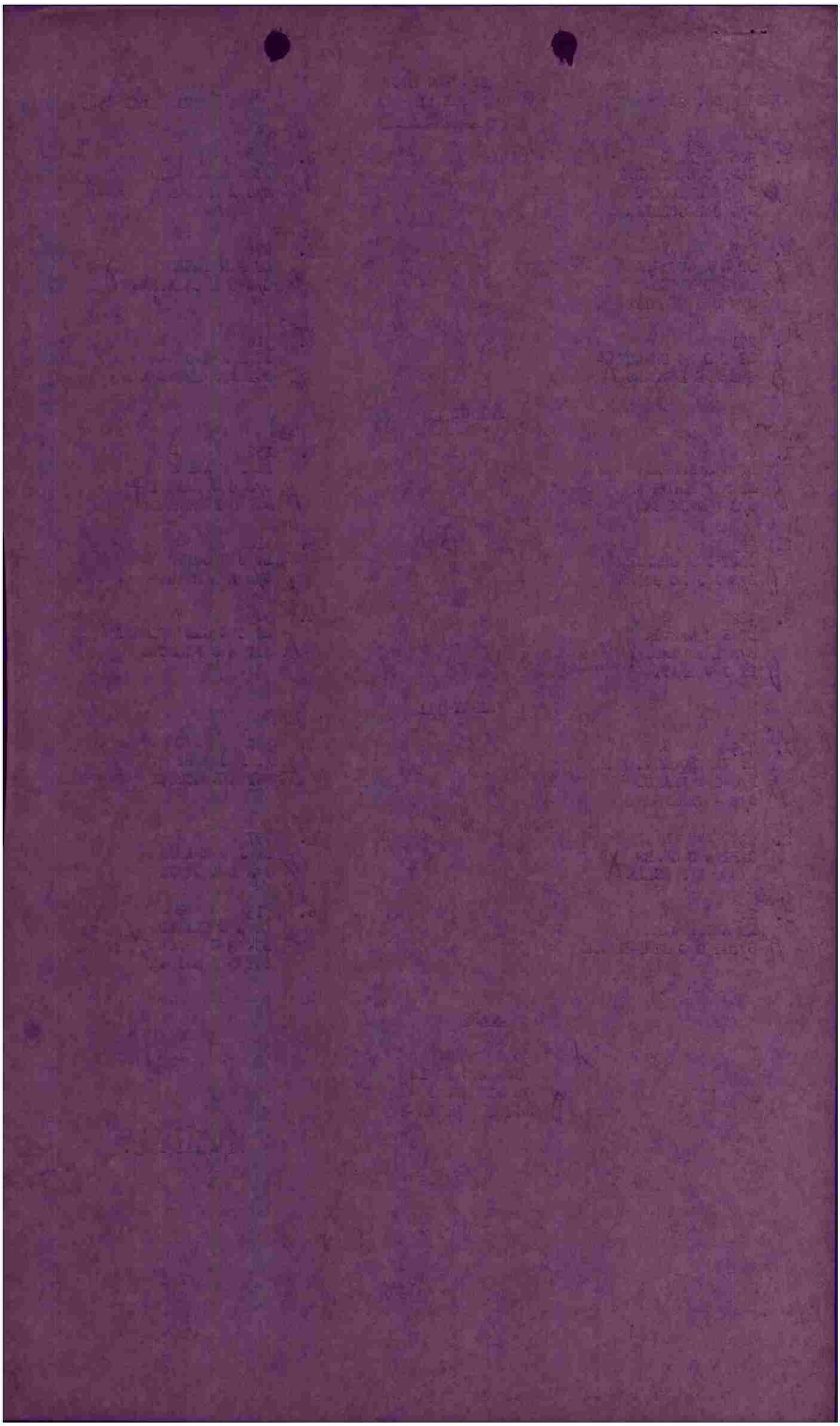
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250 A
MAJOR L C NIELSEN 560
S/S DI ORIO F
CAPT L P RANDLES

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SPECIAL FLIGHT

43-m

1. 498 E
LT D O TURNER ✓
LT P J MC GIVERN ✓ 625
B LT B J MORLEY ✓
S/S H R MC CLAIN ✓

41-39
2. 319 A
LT R H HACKLEY ✓
B S/S O T HAWK ✓

41-39
3. 269 G ✓
LT F G DUNN
B SGT J M PIKE ✓

41-39
4. 398 C
LT R W DUBOSE
B S/S E R BRINKMAN
Rtd Early Nose wheel door closed on hoist wheel.

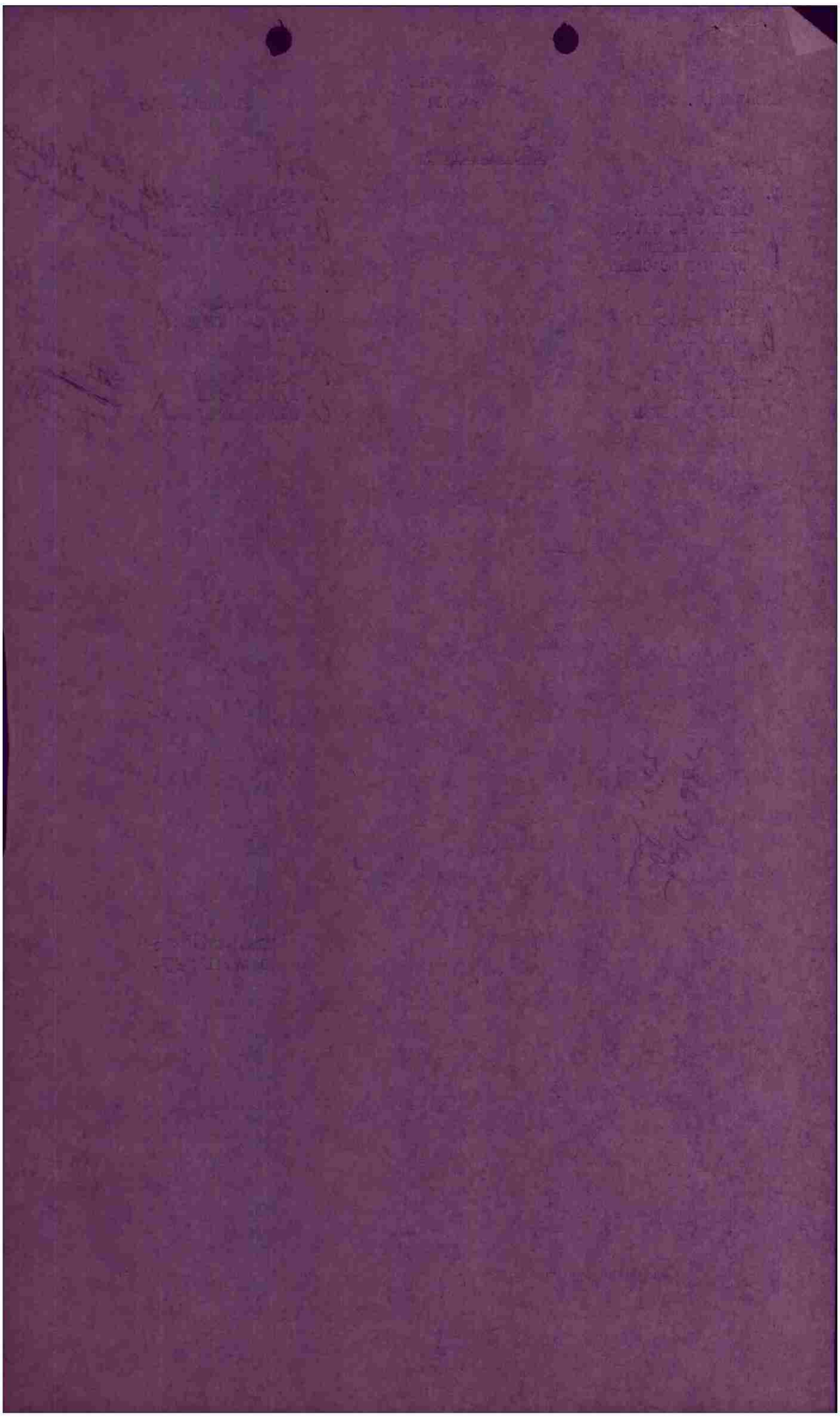
41-39
5. 212 K ✓
C LT Q W DEMMER ✓ * 650
S/S G E REITER

41-39
6. 361 V
F/O R W SWAP
C SGT E SANTANDER *
Late takeoff Could not form with

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SECRET
AC/S G2, A-C9
24 Apr 45
INITIAL:

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

U-M-1

APO 140, U.S. Army,
24 April 1945.

SUBJECT: Mission Report.

TO : Commanding General, 9th Bombardment Division (H), APO 140, U.S. Army.
(Attn: A-2)

I. 21 April 1945, T.O. 0928, Attang Puchaim M/Y, F.O. 235-868.

II. None.

III. None.

IV. None.

V. 41-39268 (Lt F.O. Dunn) — Oil leak. — Complete information not available as aircraft is at Station A-64.

41-39263 (Lt R.H. Hackley) — Oil cooler leaking. — Complete information not available as aircraft is at Station A-64.

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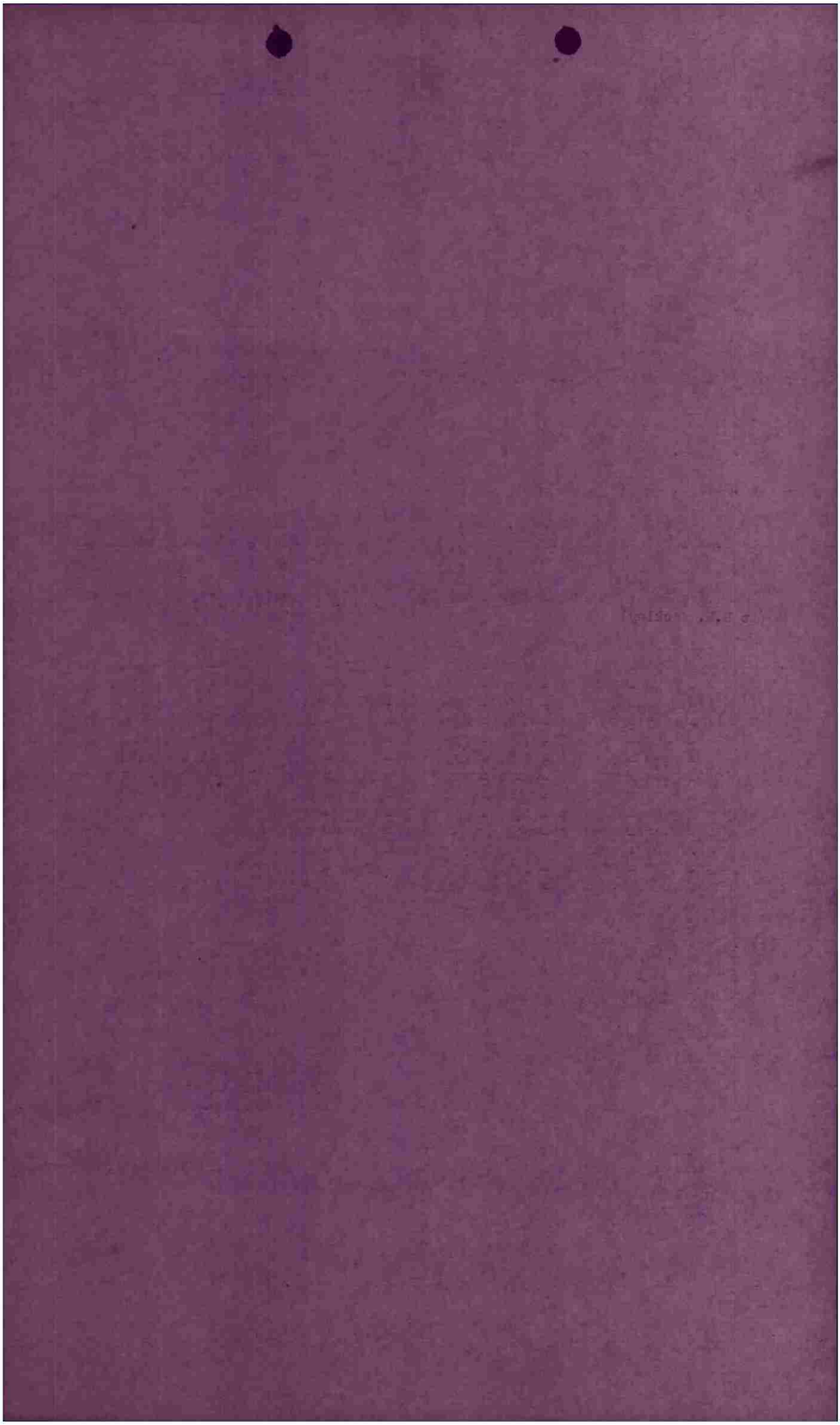
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3 - 5:20 - 640	3 - 5:20 - 750	3 - 5:20 - 675	3 - Did not return to base.
4 - 5:20 - 725	4 - 5:20 - 650	4 - 5:20 - 640	4 - 5:20 - 625
5 - 5:20 - 720	5 - 5:20 - 675	5 - 5:20 - 575	5 - 5:20 - 650
6 - 5:20 - 615	6 - 5:20 - 725	6 - 5:20 - 625	6 - 5:20 - 660
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3 - 5:20 - 700	3 - 5:20 - 650	3 - 5:20 - 625	
4 - 5:20 - 790	4 - Did not return to base.	4 - 5:20 - 700	
5 - 5:20 - 705		5 - 5:20 - 610	
6 - 5:20 - 720	5 - 5:20 - 625	6 - 5:20 - 725	
	6 - Did not return to base.		

VII. Cat "A" - 0
Cat "AC" - 0
Cat "B" - 0
Cat "Z" - 0

THEODORE R. AYLESWORTH,
Colonel, Air Corps,
Commanding.

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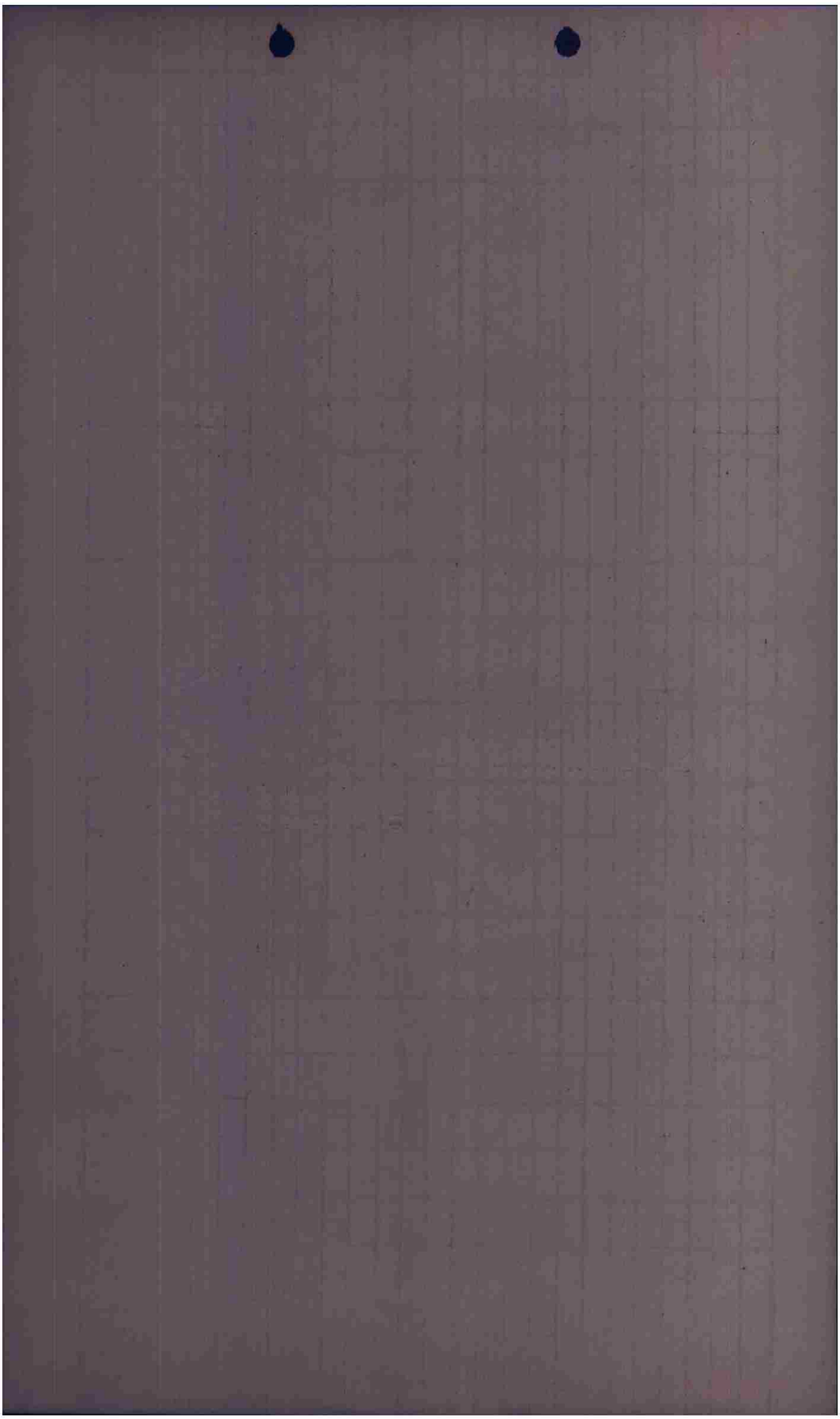
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SQDN	A/C LTR	A/C NO.	PILOT	DISTANCE	TARGET	ATO	ENG. COAST OUT	ENEMY COAST IN	TOT	ENEMY COAST OUT	ENG. COAST IN	CAMERA	FUEL LOAD	BOMB LOAD	ENDUR	LATN IDME	REMARKS
A	N	640	Evans.	994	Saarlautern	0928	1445	0853	5:20								
A	R	188	Cannon			0928		0853	5:20								
A	C	356	Blevins			0928		0854	5:20								
A	H	259	Phelps.			0929		0854	5:20								
A	D	385	Dunn			0929		0855	5:20								
A	U	305	Long.		TRAUNSTEIN	0929		0855	5:20								
C	T	538	Popeney.			0929		0923	5:20								
C	S	320	Shelen.			0930		0924	5:20								
C	L	2315	Knetzmacher			0930		0925									
C	E	224	Lucher.			0930		0925									
C	M	305	Boerner			0931		0926									
C	N	232	Turman			0931		0925									
C	W	501	Hall.			0933		0905									
C	Q	398	Conant			0931		0905									
C	D	286	Wallace.			0932		0905									
C	D	378	Chitty			0932		0906									
C	O	334	Slankowski			0933		0906									
C	F	9315	O'Brien			0933		0907									
D	M	209	Rowley.			0933		0907									

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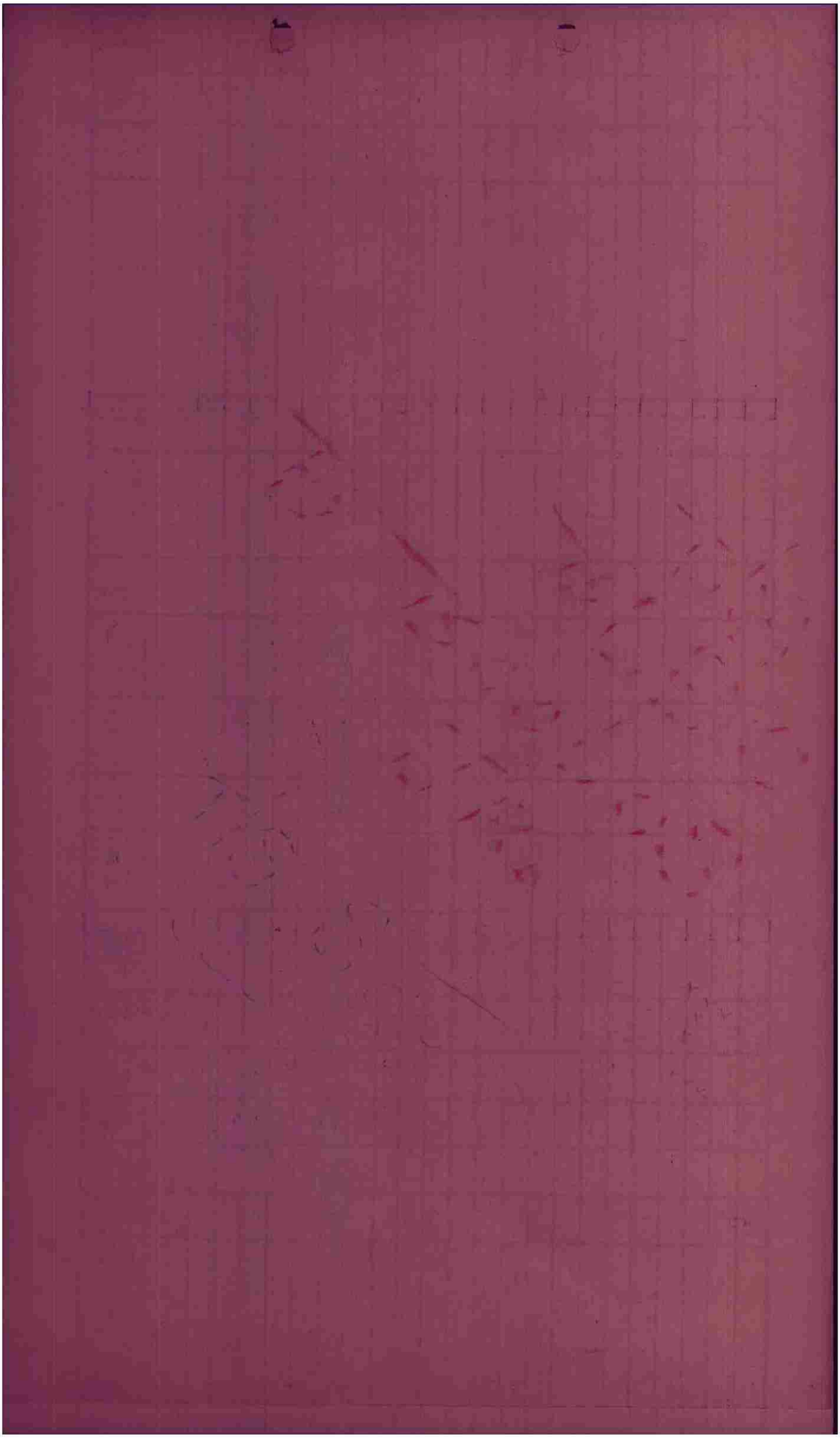
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A	Z	508	Stanley			0934	1445	0907									
A	X	505	Russell			0934		0907									
A	R	271	McCready			0934		0913									
A	J	352	Roberts			0935	—	0904									
A	S	274	Lank			0935		0908									
A	A	310	Lackner			0935	—	0904									
B	N	609	Jordan			0936		0911									
B	M	393	Shapard			0936		0911									
B	Y	362	Bastin			0936		0912									
B	D	252	Allen			0937		0912									
B	H	314	Smith DE			0937		0913									
B	V	383	Nement			0937		0849									
D	G	499	Van Inwarden			0938		0916									
D	N	239	Sears			0938		0919									
D	K	265	~~Sam~~ Winn			0938		0919									
D	L	360	Hurst			0939		0917									
D	T	297	Spires			0939		0918									
D	B	313	Murphy			0939		0918									
D	A	250	~~Nelson~~			0942	—	0850									

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FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 21/0520B
TO COMBOMDIV IX
CODONGP 409
CODONGP 410
CODONGP 416

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97TH COMBAT BOMB WING
A P O 140
21 APRIL 1945

FIELD ORDER NO. 265-868 97CBW P-178-E

MAPS: NORMAL

1. B. (1) REF. CURRENT BOMBLINE
(2) 9 T.A.C. WILL FURNISH CLOSE ESCORT FOR THE 409 GROUP.
19 T.A.C. WILL FURNISH CLOSE ESCORT FOR THE 416 GROUP
29 T.A.C. WILL FURNISH CLOSE ESCOPT FOR THE 410 GROUP.

2. THIS WING WILL ATTACK TARGETS IN GERMANY.

ZERO HOUR: PLAN "A" - 21/1000 B
ZERO HOUR: PLAN "B" - 21/1000 B

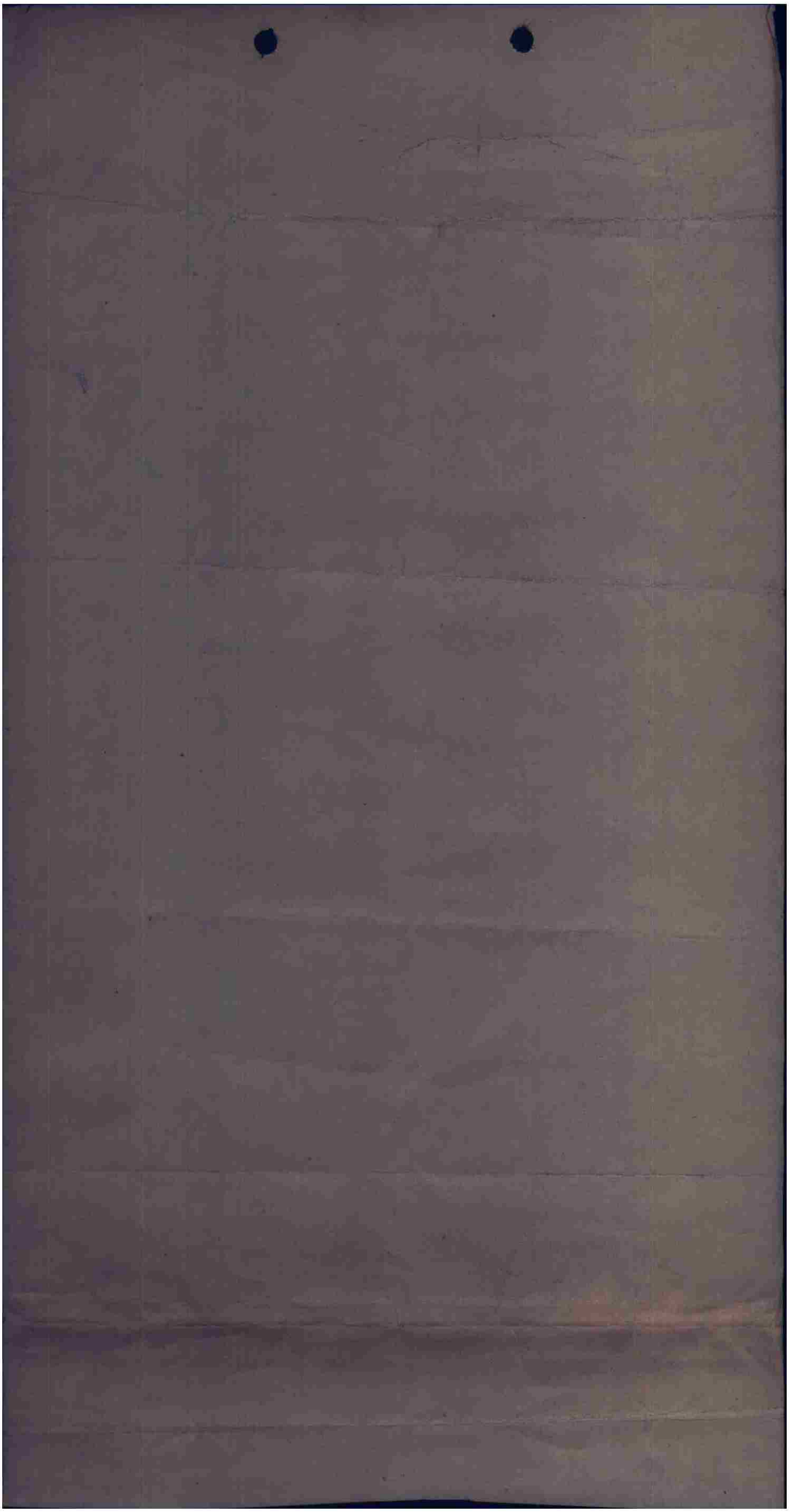
---PLAN "A" VISUAL---

3. A. 409TH BOMB GROUP.
(1) BAD AIBLING - ORDNANCE DEPOT (VZ-157282)
(2) MAXIMUM EFFORT BOMBING BY FLIGHTS OF 6 A/C.
(3) WITH FIGHTERS AT P-3428 AT 7,000 FT. AT ZERO PLUS 15 MIN. FLIGHT LEADERS WILL FIRE YELLOW FLARES AT FIGHTER RENDEZVOUS.
(4) BASE TO P-3428 TO Y-1624 TO I.P. TO TARGET.
(5) TARGET TURN LEFT TO R.P. AND RETRACE ROUTE TO BASE.
(6) BOMB AT 9,000 FT. OR BELOW THE CLOUD BASE DOWN TO BUT NOT BELOW 4,000 FT. ABOVE THE TERRAIN. DROP 1,000 FT. AFTER BOMBING.
(7) Y-9813
(8) GEN. SW TO NE
(9) M.P.I. ILL. 3(K)69/2 COVER ANNONTATED AREA.
INTERVALOMETER SETTING 50 FT.
(10) 4 X 1000 LB. G.P. FUSED: 1/10 SEC. NOSE, 1/100 SEC. TAIL.
(11) Y-9813
(12) GROUP WILL BOMB IN THE FOLLOWING PRIORITY:
A. PRIMARY VISUALLY
B. ALTERNATE VISUALLY OR RETURN BOMBS TO BASE.
(13) ALTERNATE TARGET SELECTED FOR GROUP. (WZ-664308)

B. 410TH BOMB GROUP.
(1) MENGEN M/Y (WX-194404)
(2) MAXIMUM EFFORT BOMBING BY FLIGHTS OF 6 A/C.
(3) WITH FIGHTERS AT P-3428 AT 7,000 FT. AT ZERO HOUR. FLIGHT LEADERS WILL FIRE RED FLARES AT FIGHTER RENDEZVOUS.
(4) BASE TO P-3428 TO X-5961 TO I.P. TO TARGET.
(5) TARGET TURN RIGHT TO R.P. TO P-3428 TO BASE.
(6) BOMB AT 9,000 FT. OR BELOW THE CLOUD BASE DOWN TO BUT NOT BELOW 4,000 FT. ABOVE THE TERRAIN. DROP 1,000 FT. AFTER BOMBING.
(7) X-5237
(8) GEN. E TO W.
(9) M.P.I. ILL. 3 AIR 287/1 COVER M/Y FROM REF. 0 1069 TO 056071.
(10) 6 X 500 LB. G.P. FUSED: 1/10 SEC. NOSE, 1/100 SEC. TAIL.
(11) W-9892
(12) GROUP WILL BOMB IN THE FOLLOWING PRIORITY.
A. PRIMARY VISUALLY
B. ALTERNATE VISUALLY.
IF PRIMARY OR ALTERNATE TARGET CANNOT BE BOMBED VISUALLY BOMBS WILL BE RETURNED TO BASE.
(13) ALTERNATE TARGET SELECTED FOR GROUP (WX-530468)

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C. 416TH BOMB GROUP.
(1) ATTANG-PUCHHEIM-M/Y (V-456523)
(2) MAXIMUM EFFORT BOMBING BY FLIGHTS OF 6 A/C.
(3) WITH FIGHTERS AT P-5080 AT 7,000 FT. AT ZERO PLUS 45 MIN. FLIGHT LEADERS WILL FIRE GREEN FLARES AT FIGHTER RENDEZVOUS.
(4) BASE TO P-5080 TO Y-9686 TO Z-3451 TO V-0045 TO I.P. TO TARGET.
(5) TARGET TURN LEFT TO I.P. AND RETRACE ROUTE TO BASE.
(6) BOMB AT 9,000 FT. OR BELOW THE CLOUD BASE DOWN TO BUT NOT BELOW 4,000 FT. ABOVE THE TERRAIN.
(7) V-3429
(8) GEN. SW TO NE
(9) M.P.I. ILL. 6(D)(VI)175/2 COVER AREA BOUNDED BY REF. 017037, 028033, 041066, 038067, 031065
(10) A X 1000 LD. G.P. FUSED: 1/10 SEC. NOSE, 1/100 SEC. TAIL.
(11) V-0045
(12) GROUP WILL BOMB IN THE FOLLOWING PRIORITY:
A. PRIMARY VISUALLY
B. ALTERNATE VISUALLY OR RETURN BOMBS TO BASE.
(13) ALTERNATE TARGET SELECTED FOR GROUP (WZ-664305)

K. (1) - (3) NO CHANGE.
(4) EMERGENCY FIELDS: Y-78, Y-79, Y-2, Y-59, Y-64, A-93.

4. NO CHANGE.

5. COMMUNICATIONS.
A. 489TH BOMB GROUP. (456523)
(2) CORNHILL
(3) POKER AND DOLAN
(4) BABY ON "C"

B. 410TH BOMB GROUP. (194404)
(2) LANDGIRL
(3) SLEEPY
(4) BABY ON "C"

C. 416TH BOMB GROUP. (157282)
(2) PROCTOR
(3) JUDITH AND DOLAN
(4) BABY ON "C"

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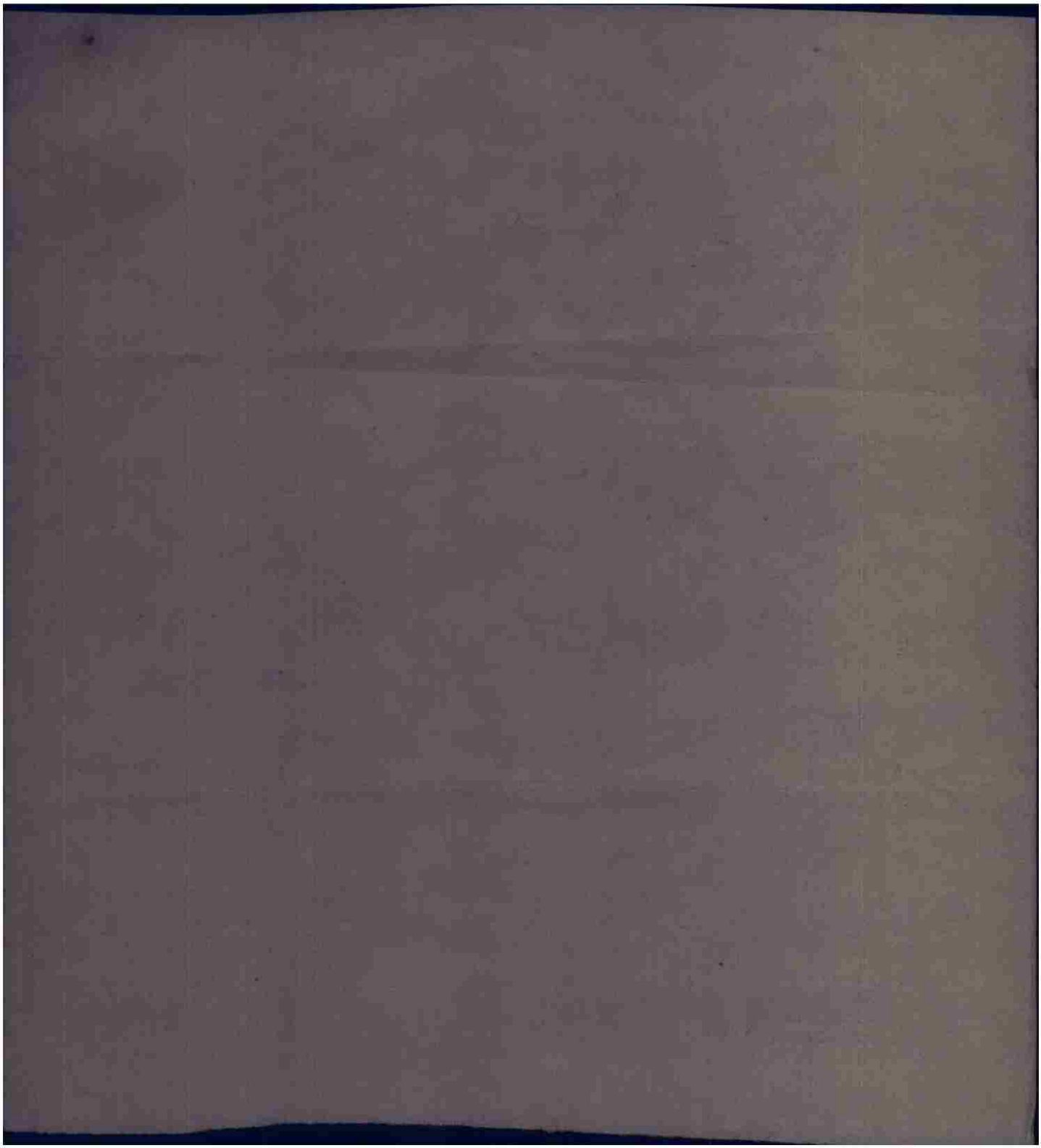
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FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 21/0030B
TO COMBOMDIV IX
COBOMGP 409
COBOMGP 416
BT

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INTELLIGENCE SUPPLEMENT NO. 1 FIELD ORDER NO. 265-868

PLAN "A" VISUAL

1. TARGET: BERCHTESGADEN (Z-984065)

2. MAP COVERAGE:
GSGS 4416 SHEET Y-7

PHOTO COVERAGE:
GN 3770
3(K)20/1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7

416TH COVER BUILDINGS 1 AND 7
409TH COVER BUILDINGS 2, 8, AND 9
3(K)20/4

3. TARGET IS WELL BEYOND CURRENT BOMBLINE

4. FLAK:
6 GUNS AT Z-937042: 2 A/C ASSIGNED THIS POSITION

6 GUNS AT V-038047
6 GUNS AT V-038051
6 GUNS AT V-042049: 2 A/C ASSIGNED THESE THREE POSITIONS

6 GUNS AT V-026066
6 GUNS AT V-024064
6 GUNS AT V-027068: 2 A/C ASSIGNED THESE THREE POSITIONS

5. ILLUSTRATION NO. 3(K)20/4 TARGET "B"- NOTE UNDER TARGET "B", SPECIAL ATTENTION OF BOMBARDIER NAVIGATORS IS CALLED TO AREA:
10(CAMP FOR CZECH WORKERS), 3800 FEET EAST OF TARGET.
11(SETTLEMENT FOR EVACUATED CHILDREN), 4400 FEET EAST OF TARGET.

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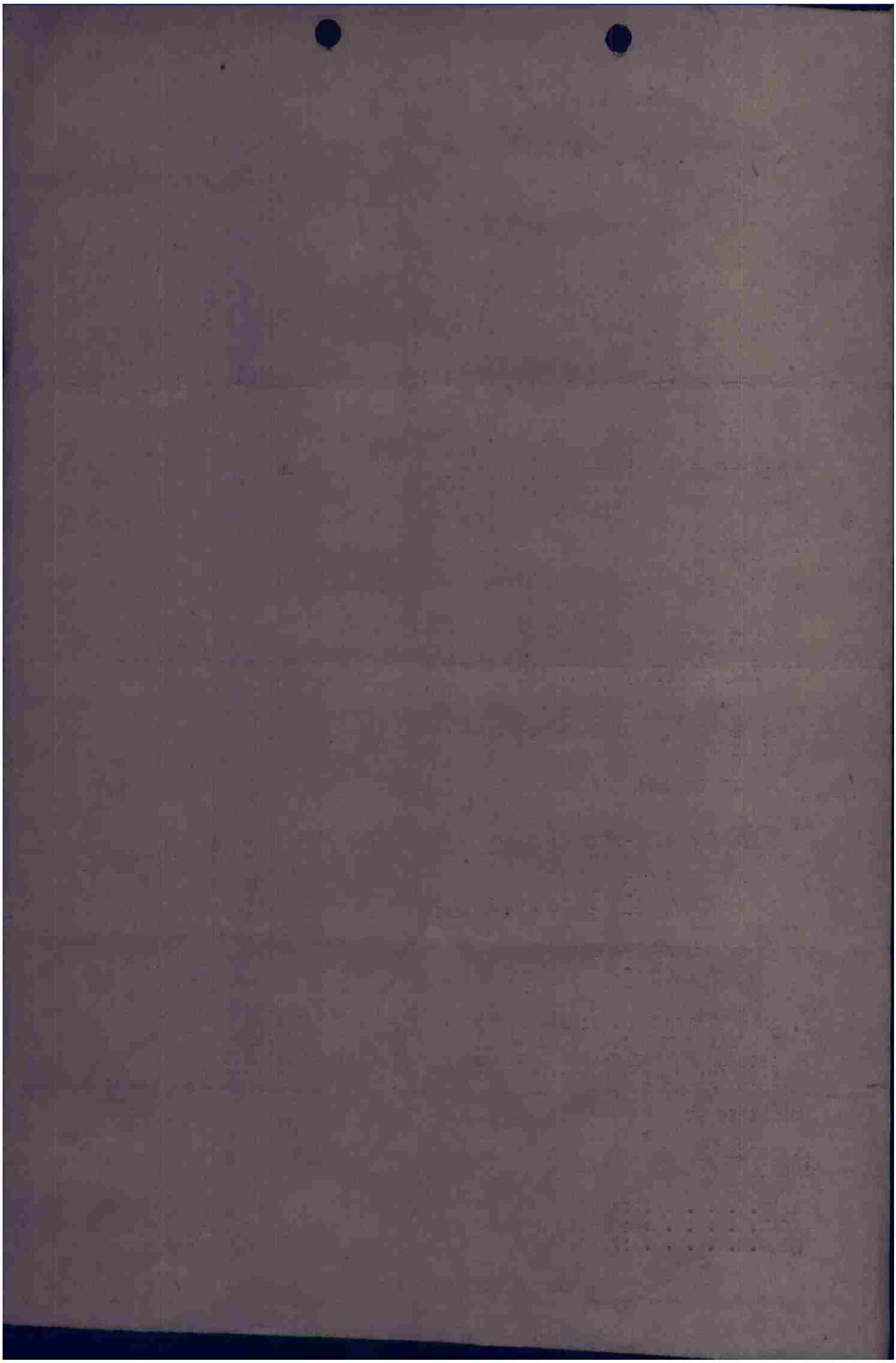
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97TH COMBAT BOMB WING
A P O 140
21 APRIL 1945

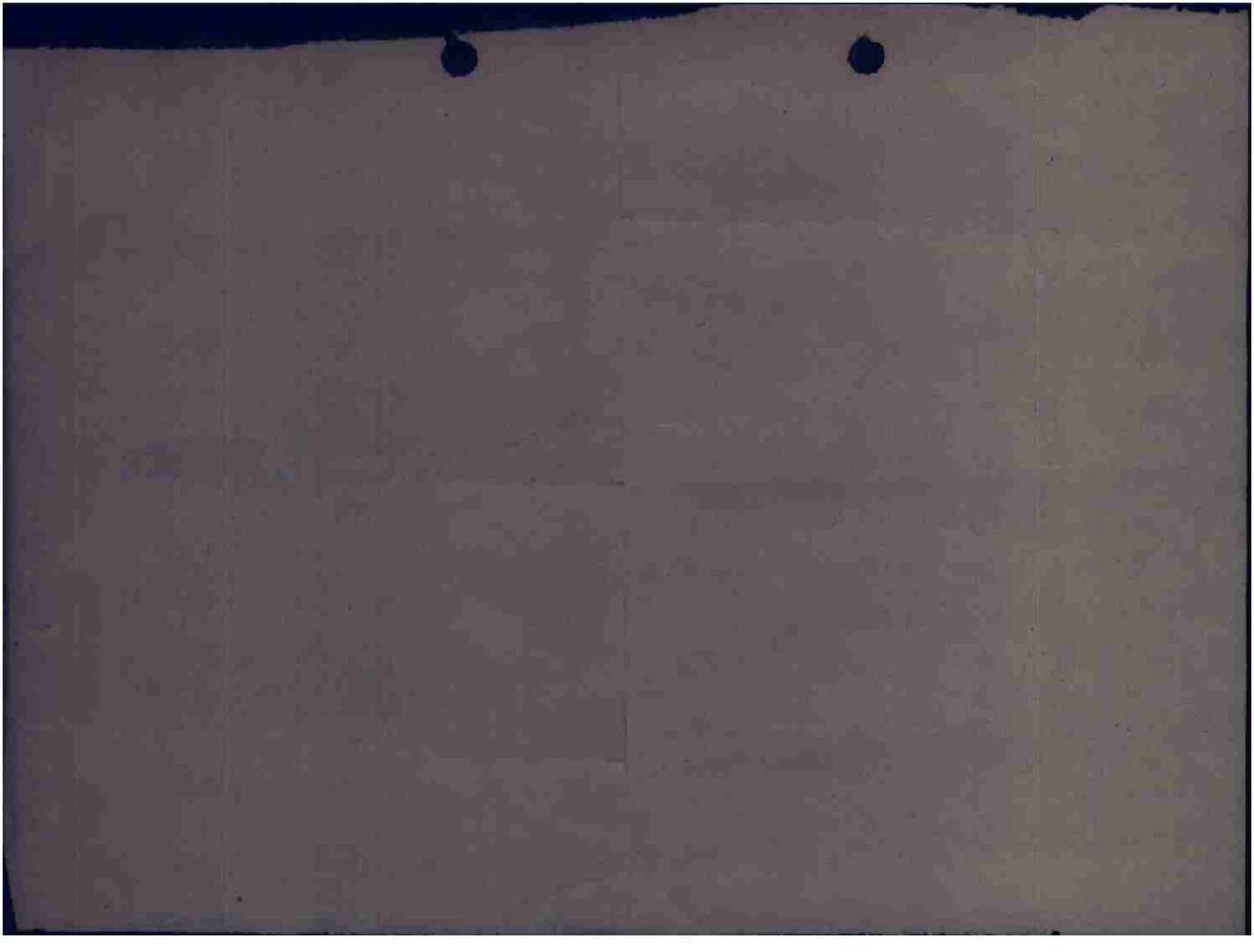
ANNEX NO. 1 TO FIELD ORDER NO. 265-86B

PARA. 3. C. ADD DROP 1000 FEET AFTER BOMBING.

COMCBTWIG 97
BT 210825B
FK-AR
ITA R.....21/0845 BIRD AR.
JES R.....21/0845 SEW AR
JKI R.....ZZ/ 21/0845B WJF AR
JPO R.....21/0845B CEN AR

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ITA JES JKI JPO V JEA JEA 09/21 OP - OP

FROM: 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 210925B
TO : IX BOMB DIV.
409TH BOMB GROUP.
410TH BOMB GROUP.
416TH BOMB GROUP.

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ANNEX NO. 2 TO FIELD ORDER NO. 265-868

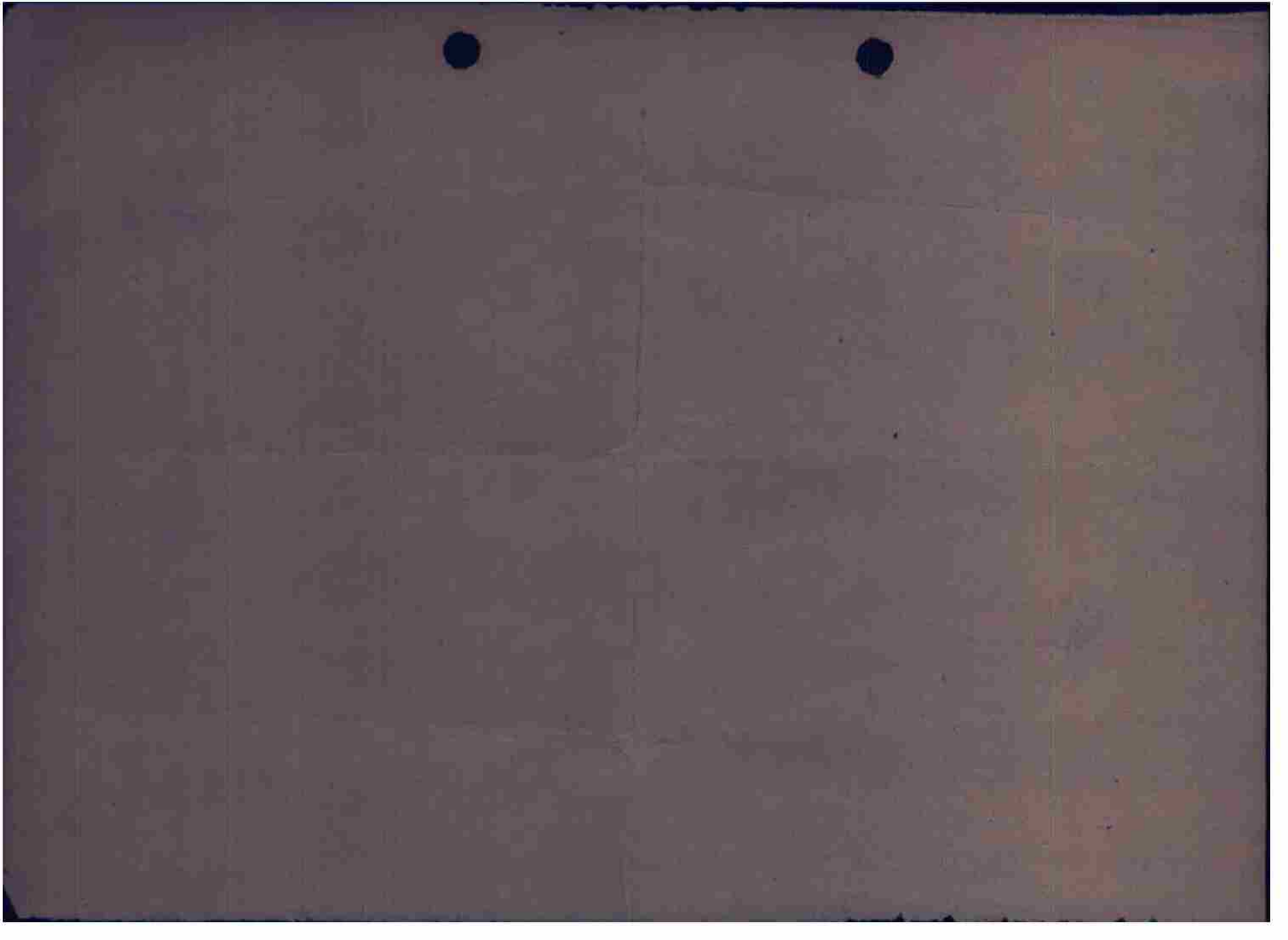
AMEND ZERO HOUR FOR 409TH BOMB GROUP TO READ:

ZERO HOUR 21/1100B

COMCBTWIG 97
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FK-AR
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JKI R.....210935B WJF AR
JES R.....21/935B DC AR
JPO R.....

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ITA JES JKI JPO V JEA JEA 10/21 OP - OP

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FROM: 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 211105B
TO : IX BOMB DIV.
409TH BOMB GROUP.
410TH BOMB GROUP.
416TH BOMB GROUP.

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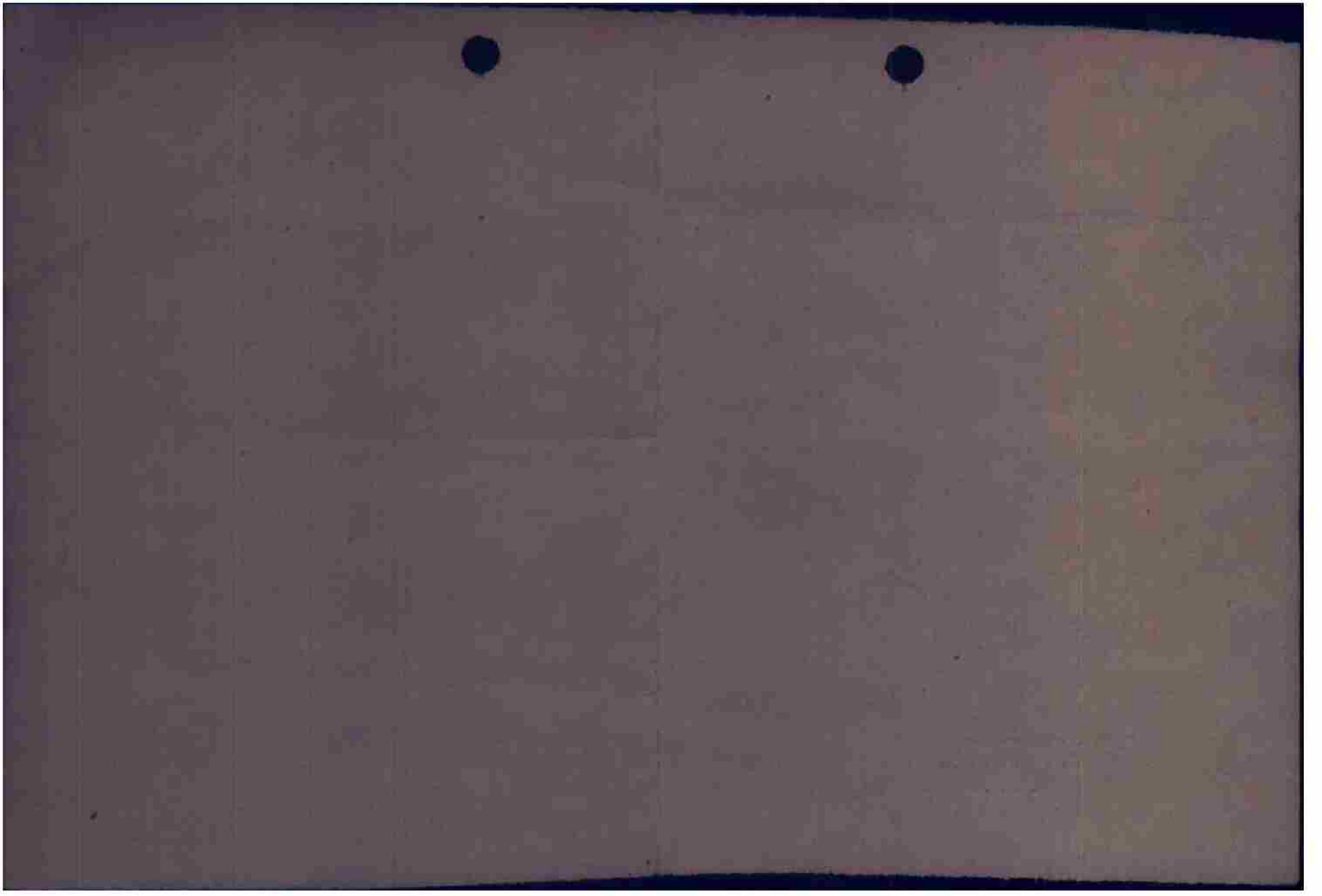
ANNEX NO. 3 TO FIELD ORDER NO. 265-SSS

CANCEL PARA. 3. A AND 3. B UNDER PLAN "A"

CONCBTWIG 97
BT 211105B
FK-AR
ITA R...../ 21/1113B HCB BBB TO JKI
JES R.....21/1113B DC AR
JPO R.....21/1113B SK AR
JKI R.....21/1113B WJF K TO ITA

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ITA JES JKI JPO V JEA JEA 17/20 (INFO-INFO)

FROM: 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 20/2345B
TO : COMBOMDIV NINE
COBOMGPS 409, 410, 416

BT

ADV. INFO. COPY OF COMMUNICATIONS OF FIELD ORDER TO FOLLOW:

ATTENTION SIGNALS OFFICER

5. COMMUNICATIONS:
A. 409TH BOMB GROUP: (984065)
(2) CORNHILL
(3) POKER
(4) BABY ON "C"

B. 410TH BOMB GROUP: (194404)
(2) LANDGIRL
(3) SLEEPY
(4) BABY ON "C"

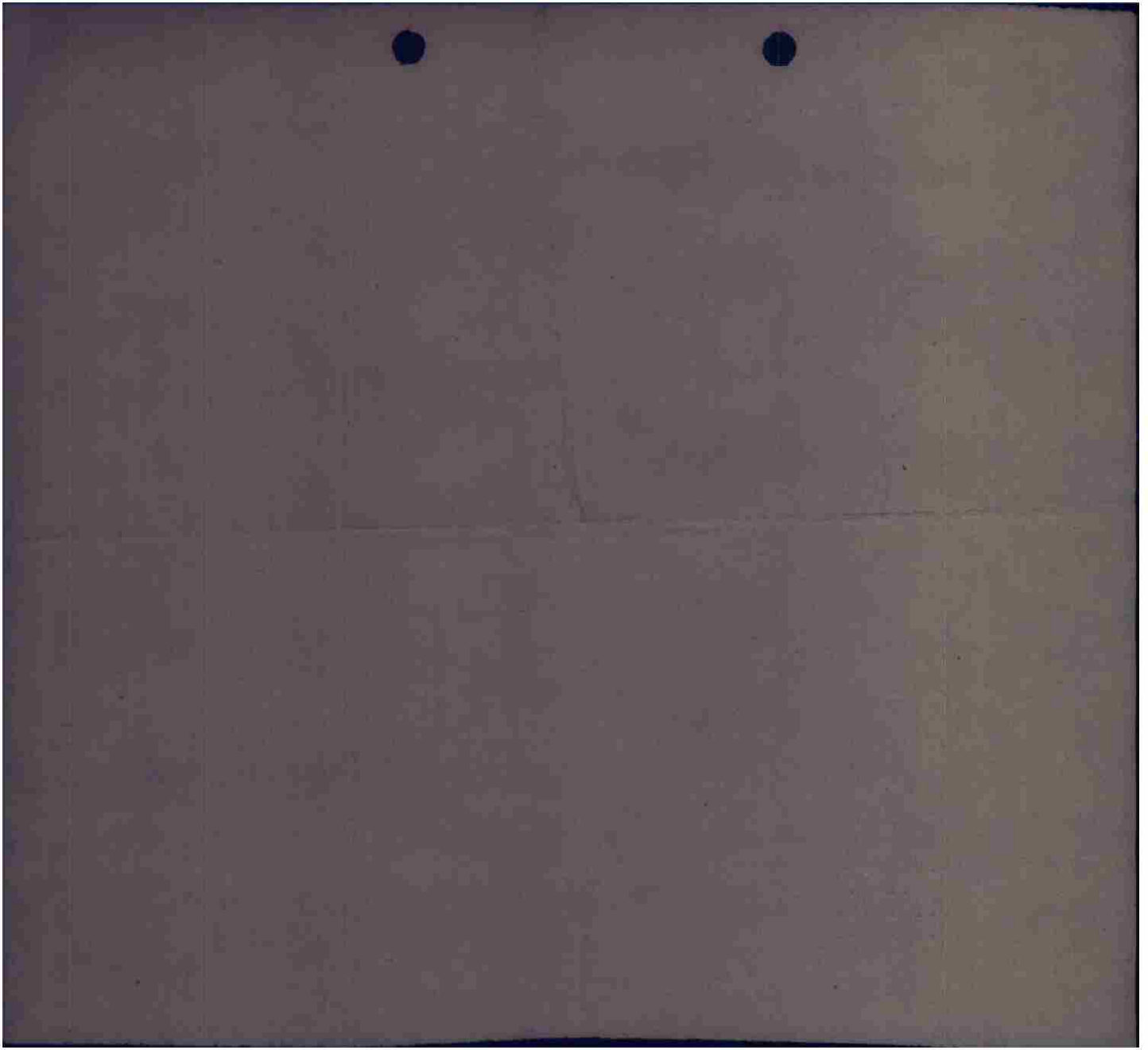
C. 416TH BOMB GROUP: (984065)
(2) PROCTOR
(3) JUDITH
(4) BABY ON "C"

COMCBTWIG 97
DT 20/2345B
AR TO ITA ONLY
SS
JES R ..... 21/0010B JMB A KKK
JKI R ..... 21/0010B DM K
JPO R ..... 21/0010B HJS KK
ITA R ..... 21/0010B EH AP

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ITA JKI V JEA 7/21 OP OP

FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 21/0520B
TO COMBOMDIV IX
COBONGP 416
BT

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INTELLIGENCE SUPPLEMENT NO. 4 FIELD ORDER NO. 265-868

CANCEL INTELLIGENCE SUPPLEMENT NO. 1 TO FIELD ORDER 265-868

1. TARGET: ATTNANG-PUCHHEIM M/Y (V-456523)

2. MAP COVERAGE:
GSGS 4416 SHEET X-8

PHOTO COVERAGE:
GH 5575
6(D)(VI)175/1, 2

3. TARGET IS WELL BEYOND CURRENT BOMBLINE

4. FLAK: SEE CURRENT PLOTTED POSITIONS. FOLLOW COURSE CLOSELY IN ORDER TO AVOID HEAVY FLAK AREAS OF STUTTGART, AUGSBURG, MUNICH, AND SALZBURG, ALL OF WHICH ARE NOT FAR SOUTH OF THE COURSE

COMCBTWIG 97

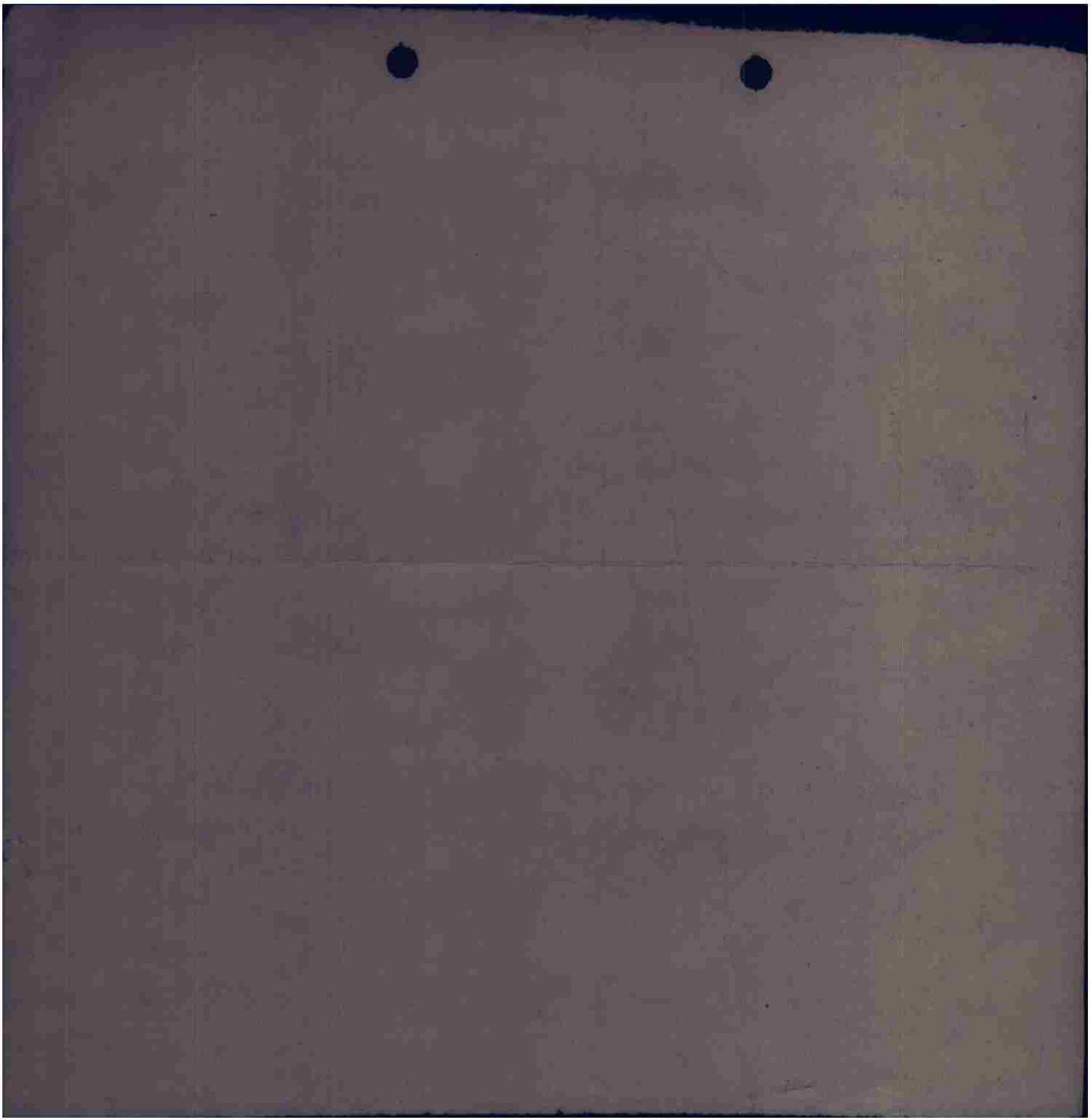
BT 21/0520B
LCB AR

ITA R. . . . . .210536B IC AR
JKI R. . . . . .21/0536B DM AR

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ITA JEA V JKI JKI 07/22 OP OP

FROM: 416TH BOMB GROUP (L) 22/1335B
TO : CG, 9TH BOMBARDMENT DIVISION ATTN: A-2
CG, 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING ATTN: A-2
BT

SECRET 416TH BG P-403-D PERIOD OPFLASH FOR 21 APRIL 1945.

A. 416TH BOMB GROUP (L)

B. ATTANG-PUCHEIM M/Y (V-456523)

C. 42 A-26'S.

D. 42 A/C ATTACKED PRIMARY.

E. NIL

F. 168 X 1000 GP ON PRIMARY

G. GOOD TO EXCELLENT.

H. 1 A/C DAMAGED CAT. A-C, FLAK.

I. NIL

J. WEAK ACCURATE LIGHT FLAK FROM ERDING (Z-099765) AT ONE FLIGHT WHICH WAS BETWEEN 1500-3000 FT. TRUE ALTITUDE (FROM THE A/D).

K. APPROXIMATELY 40 ENEMY A/C WERE OBSERVED AT ERDING A/D (Z-099765) INCLUDING 109'S, HE111S, JU-88'S AND TWO ME-163'S. GUNNER OF ONE A/C STRAFFED THE A/D. HIS GUNS JAMMED. NO CLAIMS.

L. 0500

M. 1159

X. A LARGE EXCAVATION WAS OBSERVED AT Z-185589. TWO BULLDOZERS WERE OBSERVED BUT NO OTHER ACTIVITY WAS OBSERVED.

FRANK MAZANEC
1ST LT., A.C.

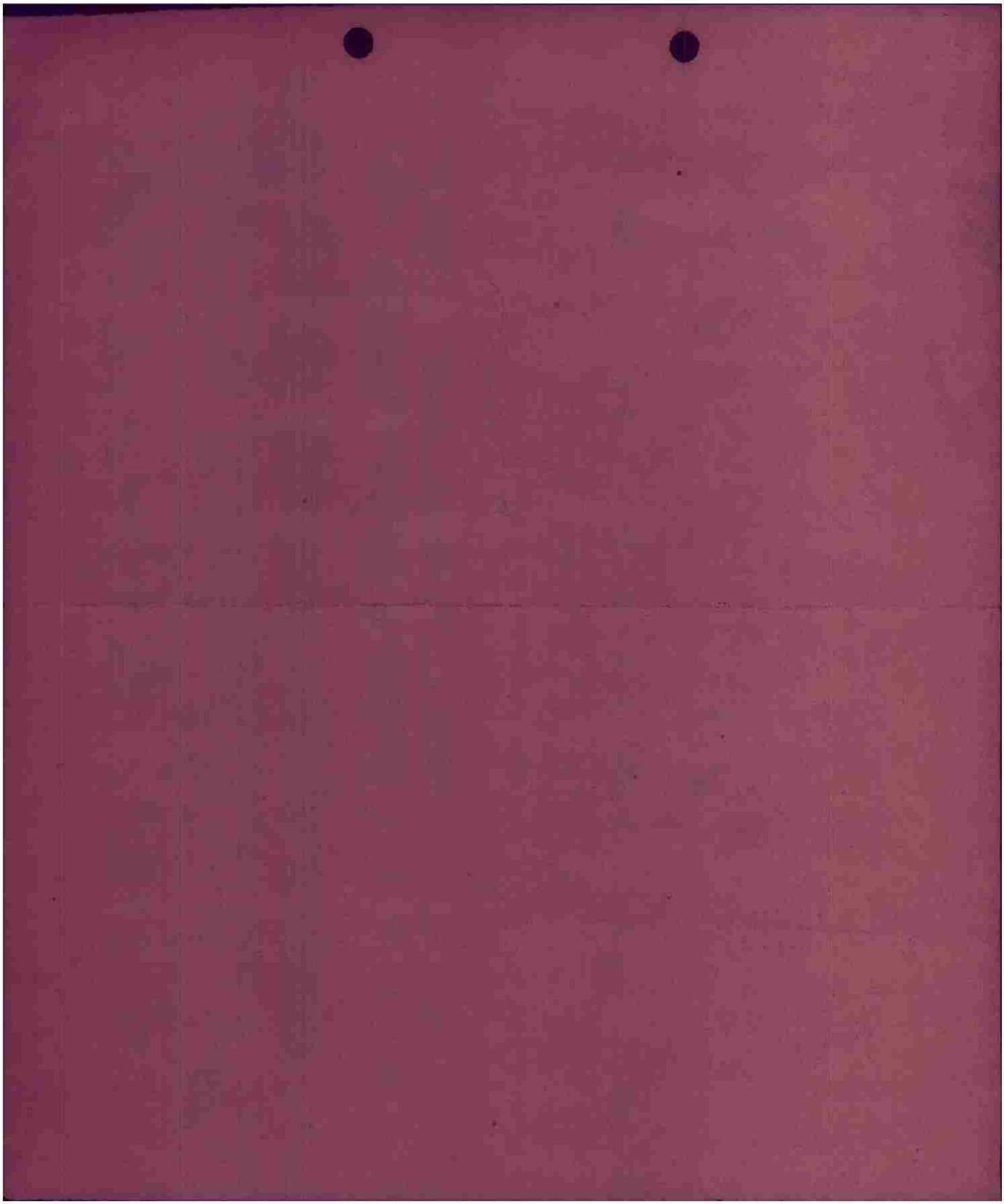
AYLESWORTH COBOMGR 416

BT 13/1335B
EW AR AR

ITA R.....;22/1345B DILL AR
JEA R.....22/1345B WCB AR

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ITA JEA V JKI JKI 82/22 OP OP

FROM 416TH BOMB GROUP S-2 P.I. 22/0945B
TO HQ. 9TH BOMB XX DIVISION ATT: A-2 P.I.
HQ. 97TH COMBAT WING ATTN: A-2 DUTY OFFICER
DT

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SECRET 416BG P-399-D
21APRIL 1945

B. ATTANG-PUCHHEIM M/Y
G. 1155 - 1202
J. BOX I FLT. A- PROBABLY DMPI - PROBABLY EXCEL: BOMBS HIT ON EDGE OF M/Y AT NE END CUTTING TRACKS AND DESTROYING BUILDINGS.
FLT. B- PROB. DMPI. - PROBABLY EXCEL:- BOMBS HIT IN GOOD PATTERN ON EDGE OF M/Y DESTROYING WAREHOUSES, BUILDINGS AND CUTTING TRACKS.
FLT. C:- PROB. DMPI. - PROB. SUPER:- BOMBS HIT ON CHOKE POINT IN EXCELLENT PATTERN AT NE END OF M/Y CAUSING EXPLOSIIONS, CUTTING TRACKS AND DESTROYING A LARGE NUMBER OF GOODS WAGONS AND NEARBY RR SHEDS.

BOX II - FLT.A:- DMPI - PROBABLY SUPER:- BOMBS HIT IN EXCELLENT PATTERN IN CENTER OF M/Y DESTROYING GOODS WAGONS AND ADJACENT BUILDINGS AND CUTTING TRACKS IN A NUMBER OF PLACES.
FLT.B:- PROB. DMPI - PROBABLY EXCEL:- BOMBX HIT ON EDGE OF M/Y AT SW END IN GOOD PATTERN DESTROYING GOODS WAGONS, CUTTING TRACKS AND DESTROYING NEARBY BUILDINGS AND BLOCKING ROADS.
FLT.C:- DMPI - PROBABLY SUPER:-BOMBS HIT IN EXCELLENT PATTERN IN CENTER OF M/Y CAUSING EXPLOSIONS AND STARTING FIRES, DESTROYING A LARGE NUMBER OF GOODS WAGONS AND CUTTING TRACKS IN MANY PLACES.

BOX III - FLT A:- PROBABLY DMPI- PROBABLY EXCEL: BOMBS FELLIN GOOD PATTERN ON N EDGE OF M/Y SEVERELY DAMAGING ROUND HOUSE AND SMALL BUILDINGS, AND DESTROYING LARGE NUMBER OF GOODS WAGONS AND CUTTING TRACKS IN MANY PLACES.

AIRCRAFT LANDED AWAY FROM BASE AND NO INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE AS TO ALTITUDE OF FLIGHT, TIME BOMBS WERE DROPPED, ORDER OF BOMBING, ETC. THEREFORE DISTANCES COULD NOT BE ACCURATELY MEASURED AND ALL RATINGS ARE MERELY ESTIMATES. IT IS ALSO NOT KNOWN AT THIS TIME AS TO WHETHER DMPI'S OR SMPI'S WERE USED IN ALL CASES. JUST AS SOON AS THIS INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE, A FULL AND COMPLETE REPORT WILL BE FORWARDED.
SINCE THERE IS NO INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO COMPLETE GROSS ERROR AND A-3 REPORTS, AND PHOTO REPORTS, THESE WILL FOLLOW AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

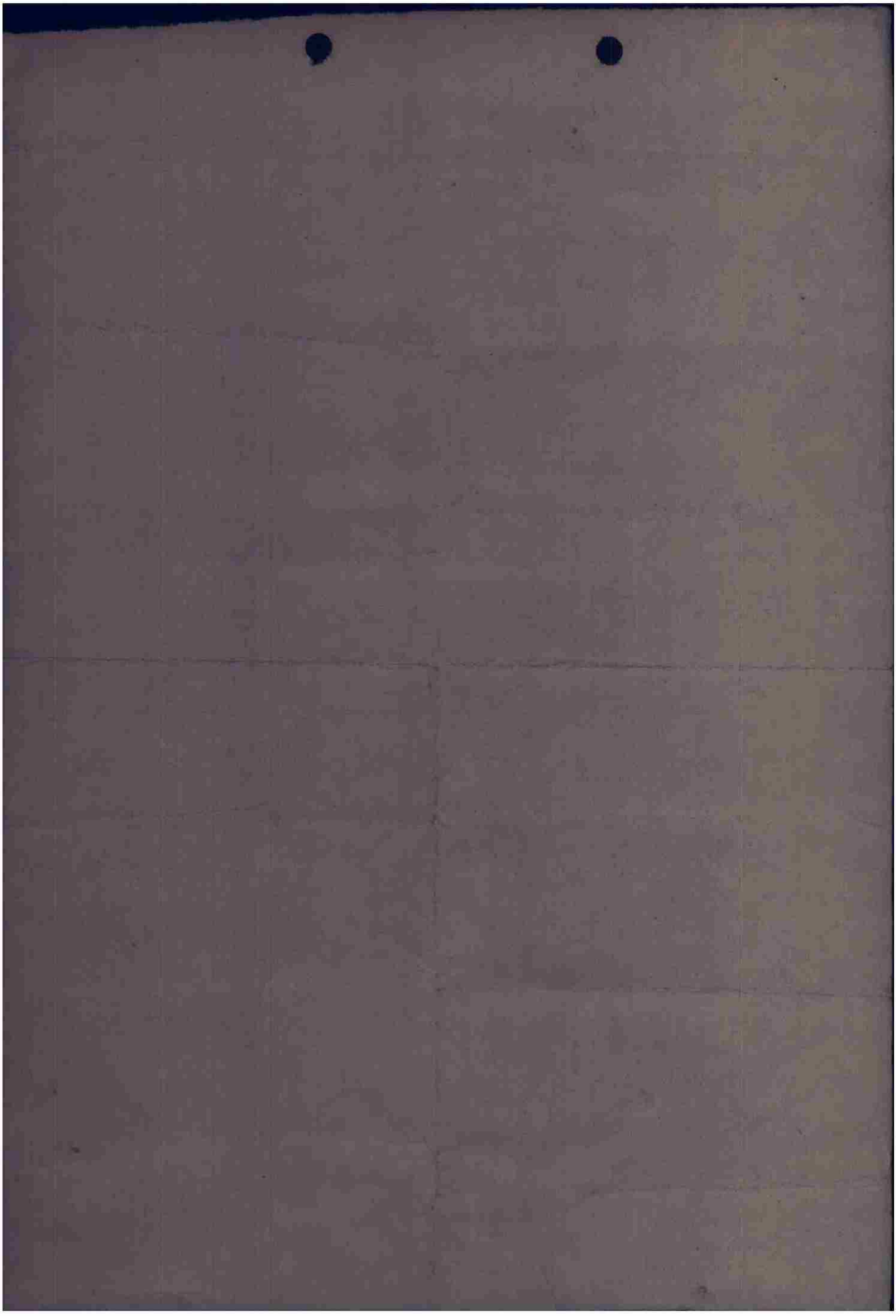
K. NIL
M. NIL
N. CUTS ON TRACKS 50 TO 60
FREIGHT CARS DESTROYED OR DAMAGED 300 TO 350
1 ROUND-HOUSE DESTROYED.
10 CUTS ON ROADS
25 BUILDINGS DESTROYED.

C. V. ZESIGER MR CAPT.
DT 22/0945B
MES AR

ITA P.....22/0146B IC AR
JEA P.....22/0230B RL AR

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TO : HQ, 9TH BOMBER DIVISION (M) ATTN: A-2 PI
HQ, 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING (L) ATTN: A-2 DUTY OFFICER.
BT

SECRET 416TH BG P-408-D PERIOD

B. ATTANG - PUCHEIN M/Y.
G. 1148 - 1159
J. BOX 1 FLT A - DMPI - SUPER: ALL BOMBS WITHIN 1000 FT OF DMPI W IN (VISUAL) TIGHT PATTERN, CENTER OF BUSTS 250 FT E. BOMBS HIT ON EDGE OF CHOKE POINT, CUTTING TRACKS AND DESTROYING GOODS WAGONS AND ADJACENT BLDGS, USED IMPULSE BOMBING.
FLT B - DMPI - EXCEL: ALL BOMBS WITHIN 1000 FT OF DMPI IN GOOD PATTERN, CENTER OF BURSTS 395 FT NE. BOMBS FELL ON EDGE OF M/Y, DESTROYING OR SEVERELY DAMAGING ENGINE ROUND HOUSE, NEARBY XX SMALL BLDG, CUTTING TRACKS AND DESTROYING A NUMBER OF GOODS WAGONS. USED IMPULSE BOMBING.
FLT C - DMPI - SUPER: ALL BOMBS WITHIN 1000 FT OF DMPI WITH CENTER OF PATTERN 75 FT N. EXCELLENT PATTERN OF ZESIX BURSTS CENTERED ON M/Y AND COVERING DMPI CUTTING TRACKS AT CHOKE POINT, DESTROYING FREIGHT CARS AND BLDGS.
BOX 2 FLT A - DMPI - EXCEL: 95 PERCENT OF BOMBS WITHIN 1000 FT OF (VISUAL) DMPI WITH CENTER OF PATTERN 600 FT NE. EXCELLENT PATTERN OF BURSTS HIT INTO SMOKE COVERING M/Y. BOMBS FELL ON EDGE OF YARD DESTROYING BLDGS AND FREIGHT CARS AND PROBABLY CUTTING TRACKS.
FLT B - DMPI - SUPER: ALL BOMBS WITHIN 1000 FT OF DMPI WITH CENTER OF PATTERN 250 FT SE. NOT ALL OF PATTERN IS SHOWN ON THIS PHOTO DUE TO FACT TARGET FOES OFF EDGE XW OF FILM BEFORE ENTIRE PATTERN HIT. BOMBS BUILT UP FARTHER INTO M/Y. SMALL PATTERN OF BOMBS ON EDGE OF M/Y DESTROYING FREIGHT CARS AND CUTTING TRACKS. USED W IMPULSE BOMBING.
FLT C - DMPI - SUPER: ALL BOMBS WITHIN 1000 FT OF DMPI WITH CENTER OF BURSTS 175 FT NE. EXCELLENT PATTERN OF BURSTS HIT IN CENTER OF M/Y COVERING DMPI WITH HEAVY DAMAGE TO ROLLING STOCK AND TRACKS. SEVERAL HITS ON LARGE WAREHOUSE BLDGS DESTROYING OR SEVERELY DAMAGING THEM. USED IMPULSE BOMBING.
BOX 3 FLT A - DMPI - EXCEL: 65 PERCENT OF BOMBS WITH 1000 FT WITH (VISUAL) CENTER OF PATTERN 625 FT NE. GOOD PATTERN ON EDGE OF M/Y DESTROYING WAREHOUSES AND OTHER BLDGS.

K. NIL
N. A. - 13 - 100 PERCENT
B. - 0 - 0 "
C. - 0 - 0 "
N. CUTTING TRACKS 50 - XX 60
FREIGHT CARS DESTROYED OR DAMAGED 300 - 350
1 ROUND HOUSE DESTROYED
10 CUTS IN ROADS
25 BLDGS DESTROYED.

CLAYTON W. ZESIGER,
CAPT. A.C.

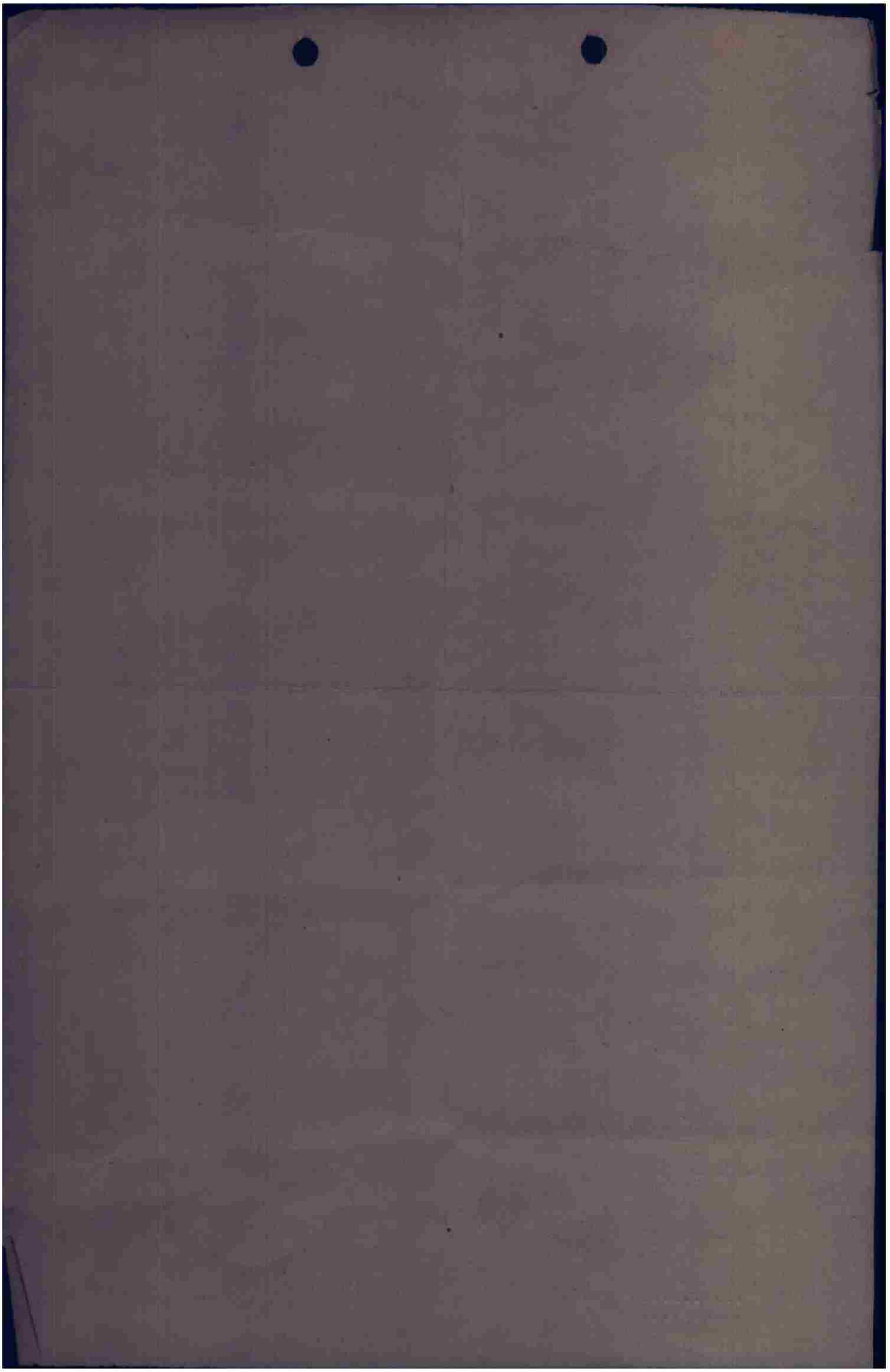
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BT 22/1525B
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ITA R.....22/1606B HAS KNK
JEA R.....22/1505B WCB KK

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COMCBTWIG 97 (INFO)
BT

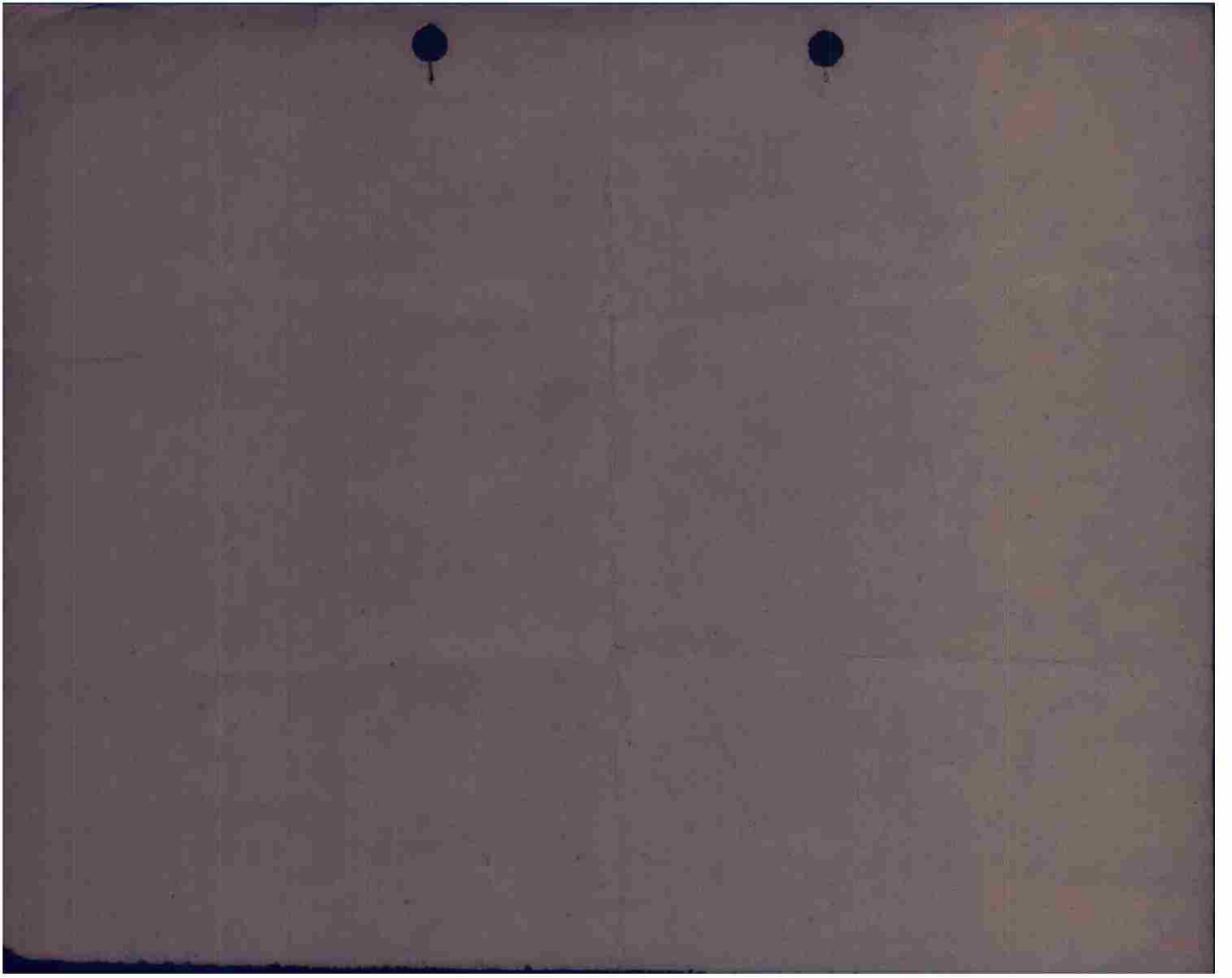
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A - YS - 107
B - 21 APRIL 1945 (0934-1415)
C - Z-ZEBRA REPORTED COMPLETION OF OPS TO PARADE FOR BOTH BOES.
N-NAN UNABLE TO RECEIVE PARADE CLEARLY.
D - Z-ZEBRA CONTACTED F.C.C. BEFORE REACHING [redacted] BOMB LINE.
O-OBOE REPORT LOCATIONS OF ENEMY CONVOY AND OCCUPIED AIRDROME
TO F.C.C.
E - NONE
F - NONE
G - NONE
H - NONE
I - NONE
J - NONE
K - REPORT DELAYED APPROXIMATELY 20 HOURS DUE TO DIVERSION.
AYLESWORTH COBOMGR416
BT 221100B
AS CC: 1ST LINE UNDER C. LAST GR BOXES RPT BOXES
AA CC: D. 2ND LINE 2ND GR REPORTED RPT REPORTED
EJ BBBB K
ITA R.....22/1114B NEW AR K

JEA R.....22/1114B LEG KK

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