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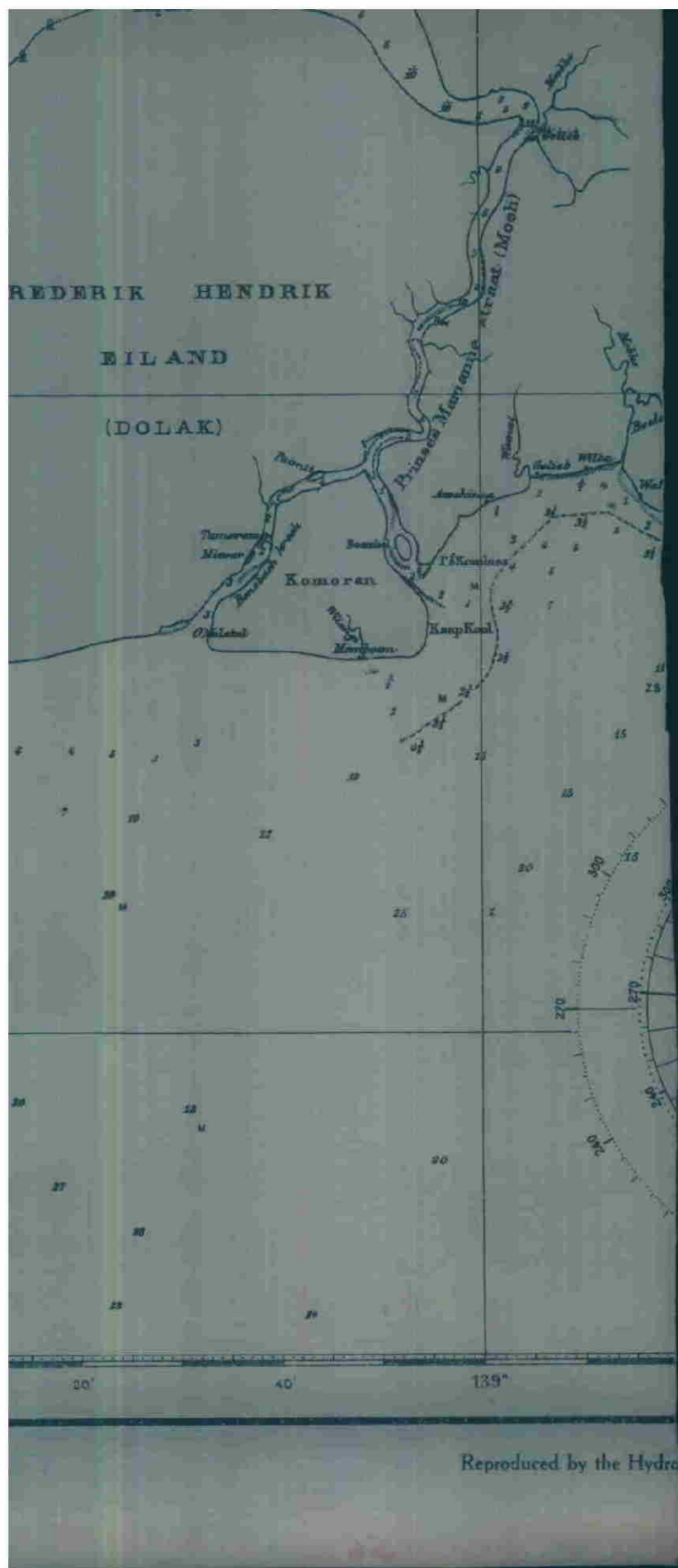
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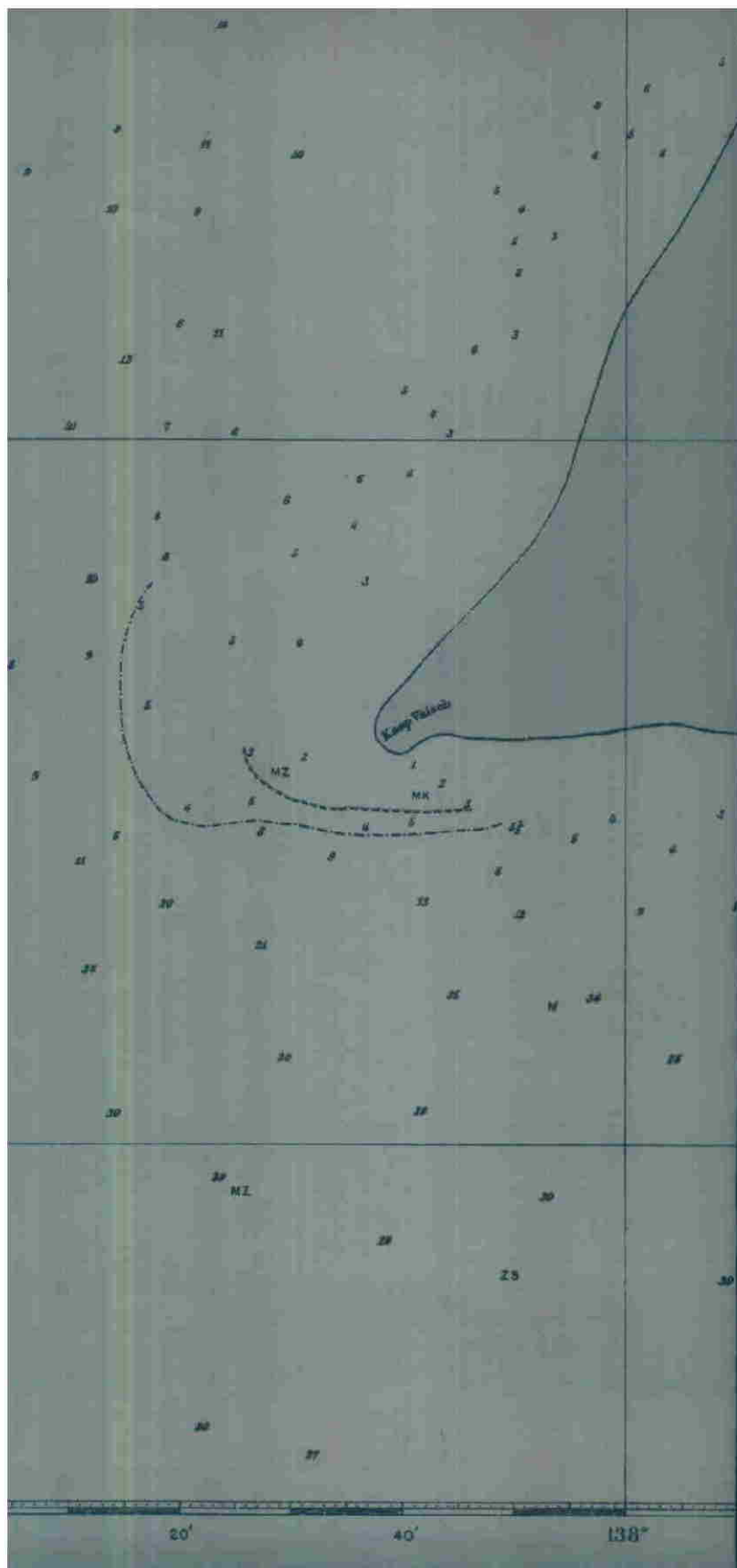
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2 Jan 43

2-1-43

Mission Supplies at Diddymans Creek 2-1-43

692-71st710-71st904-71st

P-1st Lt. L.F. Tarberry

P-1st Lt. W. J. Towner

P-2nd Lt. B.F. Newman

CP-2nd Lt. J.W. Lawrence

CP-2nd Lt. R.K. Robinson

CP-2nd Lt. F.E. Nelson

N-2nd Lt. J.B. Reiber

N-2nd Lt. E.H. Harrison

N-2nd Lt. J.A. Murphy

B-2nd Lt. P.L. Cawen

B-2nd Lt. J.W. Craig

B-2nd Lt. H.H. Bely

E-cpl. L.H. Lemon

E-cpl. R.J. Hildeman

E-cpl. N.L. Adams

R-cpl. M.R. Heibel

R-cpl. N.A. Kestach

R-cpl. K.T. Hilgen

G-cpl. A.J. Zangari

G-cpl. P.R. Lane

G-cpl. W.E. Skinner

893-71st708-71st830-71st

P-1st Lt. C.C. Lawrence

P-2nd Lt. E.P. Brinkman

P-2nd Lt. N.M. Paguin

CP-2nd Lt. D.C. Bryant

CP-2nd Lt. W.L. Goodchild

CP-2nd Lt. J.J. Turley

N-2nd Lt. F.W. Deese

N-2nd Lt. T.M. Logsdon

N-2nd Lt. K.V. Newman

B-2nd Lt. A.F. Carlin

B-cpl. N.C. Bryant

B-2nd Lt. B.M. Goodfellow

E-cpl. A.L. Beall

E-cpl. J.W. Connor

E-cpl. R.L. Williamson

R-cpl. C.M. Constantine

R-cpl. L.M. Resbold

R-cpl. W.O. Lewis

G-cpl. A.M. Daniels

G-cpl. J.F. Flannigan

G-cpl. K.G. King

Took off at 1045/4/2-1-43 to attack supplies at Diddymans Creek. Over target at 1215/4/2-1-43. Lips returned 1333/4/2-1-43
Reference DOP-1H.

7419-2
2-619-2

Frags. Field on

Recd 18504/11

113 V CD NR 5
010325L OPERATIONAL PRIORITY
BC 2176

FRAG. F. O. NO : 77/ 501

MISSION NO. : 501

MAPS : TARGET MAP

1A1 : NO CHANGE

1A2 : ENEMY FIGHTER ACTIVITY OVER LAE NOON 31/12

1B1 OUR TROOPS CONTINUE ADVANCE BUNA AREA.

1B2 : B 26S, A 20S AND BEAUFIGHTERS ATTACKING LAE 1320/ 1330L

P 38S FIGHTER COVER USUAL FIGHTER SCREEN BUNA.

1C : OBTAIN BASE OPS.

2 : STRIKE.

3 : 6 B26S ATTACK SUPPLY DUMPS DIDDYMAN'S CREEK. ATTACK TO BE MADE 1330/L/1. THIS ATTACK IN COORDINATION WITH A 20S, B26S AND BEAUFIGHTERS ATTACKING LAE AIRDRONE AT 1330L. IF WEATHER PREVENTS ATTACK AS SCHEDULED, ALL A/C WILL BE PREPARED TO MAKE ATTACK AT 1215/L/1

XZ X1 : 100 LB. M/ INST. FUZE.

X2 : REARM, REFUEL, CALL THIS HQ. FOR BONDS TO RELOD/ RELOAD.

4 : NO CHANGE.

5 : CONTINUED FREQUENCY 4895, FIGHTERS MARK. BOMBERS KINK.

NOTIFY THIS HQ. CALL SIGNS AND TAKE OFF TIMES.

CCHEONCOM 5

TOS 0410/1/43/L LAT VA

113 R NR 5 RHP VA

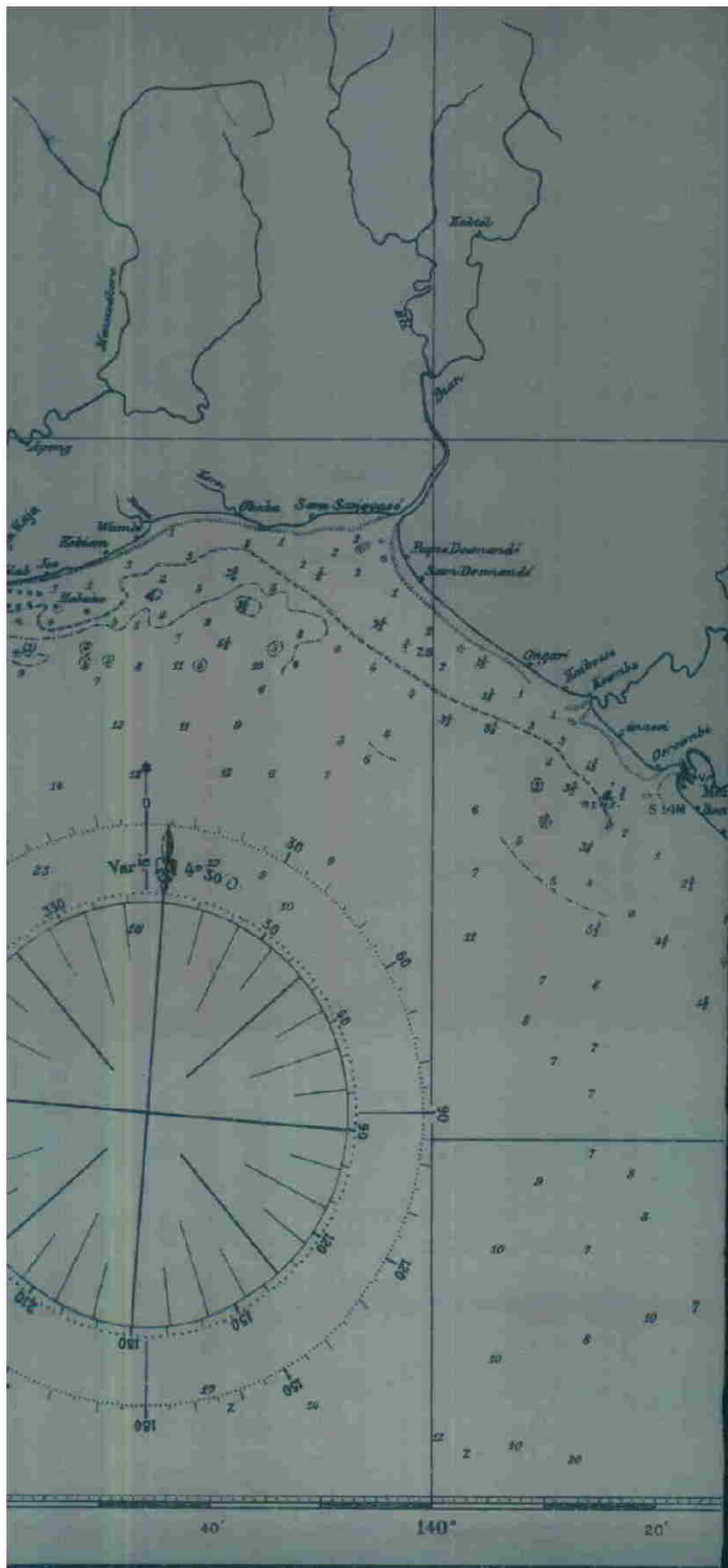
Mission Report

CD VAKJ NR1 R-43 DUR-1H

2 Jan 43 OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

MISSION REPORT (C) GR-71ST SQUADRON (D) DURAND -1H (E) BITYMAN'S CREEK SUPPLY DUMP (LAE) (.) (F) 72 X 100 DEMO INST. FROM 4100-4300 FEET IN 50-100 FEET TRAIN AT 1312/Z (J) 70X100 IN TARGET AREA (.) 2 HITS ON DUMP AT CONEALL'S HOUSE STARTED FIRE (.) 2X100 APPROX. 100 YARDS W OF W END OF RUNWAY AMONG TWO SINGLE ENGINE PLANES (.) WING OF ONE PLANE KNOCKED OFF (K) NIL (L) 8-10 BURST OF LIGHT A/A FROM E SIDE OF RUNWAY NEAR SHORE (.) M/G FIRE FROM EXTENSION OF NW END OF RUNWAY (.) VERY IN ACCURATE (.) (M) NIL (U) LARGE FIRE OBSERVED ON S SIDE OF W END OF RUNWAY (.) HIGH FLAMES WITH BLACK SMOKE (.) FIRE E OF RUNWAY AND APPROX. 200 YARDS FROM SHORE GIVING OFF BLACK SMOKE (.) FIRES BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN STARTED BY B-26'S (.) NIL SHIPPING SIGHTED IN LAE VICINITY (.) A TWIN ENGINE SINGLE TAIL PLANE WITH LONG THIN FUSELAGE AND DARK GREEN COLOR SIGHTED ON BEACH S OF SASANGE ISLAND IN DIRECTION OF KUBUN (.) SCATTERED CLOUDS AT 8000-12000 FEET OVER LAE (.) WEATHER CLOSING IN OVER MOUNTAINS (.) PHOTOS TAKEN (.)

TDS....1546/2/L SSS VA
ED R NR 1 SGS VA



phic Branch, Dept. of the Navy, Sydney, 1943.

3 January 43 Sunday

6 ships scheduled to take off on mission to Diddymans Creek Supply Dump. mission called off

Mission to Timoree between Lae and Cape Ward Hunt.

905-405ch

899-405ch

908-405ch

P-Brannon, W.D. 2nd Lt

P-Hay, W.M. 2nd Lt

P-Middlebrook, S. 2nd Lt

CP-Larkins, B. 2nd Lt

CP-Libbe, W.E. 2nd Lt

CP-Town, W.F. 2nd Lt

N-Night, E.W. 2nd Lt

N-Smith, C.L. 2nd Lt

N-Moffatt, E.P. 2nd Lt

B-Curtis, N.A. 2nd Lt

B-Miles, O.E. 2nd Lt

B-Cory, L.D. 2nd Lt

E-Bombaker, P.A. Corp

E-Craig, W.C. Corp

E-Hafke, H.A. 1st Lt

R-Amsden, C.D. S/Lt

R-Cole, J.D. Corp

R-Lillard, R.J. Corp

G-Allen, A.L. S/Lt

G-Eiler, W.B. S/Lt

G-Emminger, R.L. Corp

936-71st

903-405ch

906-405ch

P-Mondelli, L.L. 1st Lt

P-Woods, W.H. 1st Lt

P-Dashy, F.W. 2nd Lt

CP-Latham, R.R. 2nd Lt

CP-Town, R.W. 2nd Lt

CP-Allen, E.W. 2nd Lt

N-Styles, C.W. 2nd Lt

N-Fragis, R.C. 2nd Lt

N-Threlkeld, W.E. 1st Lt

B-Murphy, R. 2nd Lt

B-Berlin, F.M. 2nd Lt

B-Foley, J.M. 2nd Lt

E-Amm, J.D. 1st Lt

E-Dunbar, C.F. 1st Lt

E-Byrne, D.E. 1st Lt

R-Harris, L.C. Corp

R-Brown, J.M. Corp

R-Betts, L.J. Corp

G-Bressi, C.P. 1st Lt

G-Smith, E.J. 1st Lt

G-Franklin, J.R. 1st Lt

Reference DVP-2F Ships took off 1206/4/3. Ships returned

1453-1453-1455-1457 and 1500

906 took off 1220 returned 1339. and not much flight due to engine trouble.

HJ V CD NR 1

030001/L OP

WC 44

FRAG. F. O. NO 2F

MISSION NO. 2F

NAPS

1A1

1A2

1B1

1B2

1C

2

3

X1

X2

4

5

SECTIONAL MERCATORS.

NOCHANGE.

NO CHANGE.

ENEMY POSITIONS BUNA REDUCED TO TWO SMALL POCKETS. TWENTY-THREE NIPS R// SURRENDERED.

USUAL RECCOS AND G// FIGHTER SCREEN. S// MISSION TO BE COORDINATED WITH 6 A-20S AND 2-328 P-38S.

OBTAIN AT DURAND.

STRIKE.

SIX B-25S ATTACK SUPPLY DUMPS AT DIDDYMANS CREEK. TIME OF ATTACK 1100/L/3.

12 X 100LB INST. FUSE.

RELOAD AND REFUEL.

NIL

NOTIFY CALL SIGNS TO 5 BOMCOM. FIGHTES// FIGHTERS JAKE, BOMBERS SILB// SILVER.

COMBOMCOM 5

CD TOS 030038/L JGH VA

HJ R NR 1 RHP VA

3 Jan 43 Mission Report Sent 16/19/43 Jan 43
3-1-43 DUR-2F 67K

CDV HJ NR2
FINAL MISSION REPORT
(C) SR -405TH SQ. TOOK OFF 1215/L (.) ONE PLANE RETURNED TO BASE DUE
TO ENGINE TROUBLE (D) DUR-2F (E) PINNACES BETWEEN LAE AND CAPE WARD
HUNT (F) NIL (L) 2 BURSTS HEAVY AND INACCURATE A/A AT LAE (M) NIL (U)
TOOK COURSE DOWN MARKHAM VALLEY(.) OBSERVED LAE HARBOR(.) NIL SHIPPING
SIGHTED (.) TOOK COURSE ALONG SHORELINE TO SALAMAU(.) ENCOUNTERED
HEAVY THUNDERSTORMS 10 MILES E OF LAE(.) STORM EXTENDED APPROX. 8 MILES
TO SEA AND ALONG SHORE TO SALAMAU(.) OBSERVATION IMPOSSIBLE IN THIS
AREA(.) FOLLOWED COAST FROM SALAMAU TO KUMUSI RIVER AT 500/1000 FT.
WITH NIL SIGHTINGS(.) A/A RECEIVED FROM SHORELINE ANS JUST E OF RUNWAY
AT LAE(.) WEATHER CLOSING IN BEYOND MT.///(.)

MOM WILL CHECK L PLS
THIS MSG IS OPS. IMMEDIATE

TOS... 031619/K VVK VA
CD R NR 2 HAS VA

3 Jan 43

3 January
998-405thTook off this morning in 998 for 7 miles
Same crew.
0802 Takeoff

P-1st Lt. N. Legg

Took off for Townsville

CP-2nd Lt. E. N. Birch Jr.

N-2nd Lt. J. F. Brady Jr.

B-2nd Lt. N. E. Chavak

E-Capt. F. M. Permitt

R-1st Lt. D. O. Crawford

G-Capt. J. Oriskany

X-1st Lt. N. E. Burke

X-1st Lt. J. Kramer

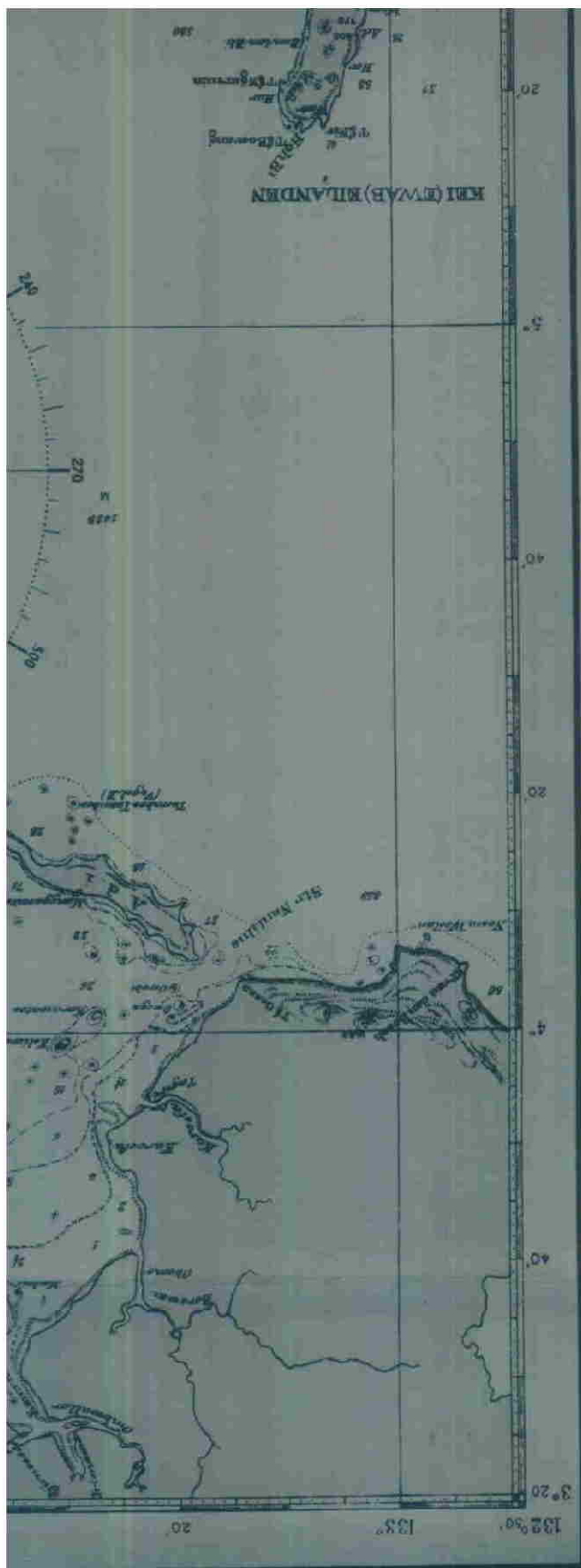
X-Capt. J. G. Lowrey

X-1st Lt. Vawter

X-1st Lt. M. Garland

X-1st Lt. Murphy

Took off 3-1-43 for townsville at
1100/L returned to Base at 1200/L
with engine trouble.Took off 4-1-43 for townsville at
0802/L/4



4 Jun 43

708-71st

P- Durrie, E. 2nd Lt.

Took off at 0926/L/4 on search for lat
returned Base 1307/L/4

CP- Brady, B. J. 2nd Lt.

N- Schmitt, C. F. 2nd Lt.

Reference Doc-3K

B- Shank, W. P. 2nd Lt.

E- Norton, E. L. Corp

R- Steek, A. O. Corp.

G- Cooper, J. N. Corp.

710 took off at 1004/L/4 in 1034/L/4

~~704~~ returned 1012/L/4

893 took off at 1018/L/4 in 1057/L/4

736 took off at 1043/L/4

HJ V CD NR4
Z CD 040204/L OPERATIONAL PRIORITY SECRET

BC94

FRAG. F. O. NO: 3 K

MISSION NO. : 3 K

MAPS : USUAL

1A1 : POSSIBLE SUBMARINE SIGHTED 40 MILES SOUTH MORESBY 1330/L3.

1A2 : NO CHANGE

1B1 : NO CHANGE

1B2 : NO CHANGE

1C : OBTAIN BASE OPS.

2 : RECCO

3 : 1 B-25 SEARCH AREA 20 MILES EACH SIDE OF A LINE STRAIGHT SOUTH FROM MORESBY FOR A DISTANCE OF SIXTY NAUTICAL MILES IN SEARCH FOR ABOVE REPORTED SUBMARINE.

X1 : 300 LB 1/10 SEC.

X2 : REARM REFUEL CALL BOM COM 5 FOR BOMB LOADING

4 : NO CHANGE.

5 : NOTIFY THIS HQ CALL SIGNS AND TAKE OFF TIMES.

COMBOMCOM 5

TOS.....040219/L LEW GA

HJ R NR4 RHP VA

NR57 MIN 5 IS CORRECT TNX

60 type
Mission Report
4-1-43
DUR-3K

To Com Bom 5
From 38th Bomb Gp Durand

Final Mission Report (C) 1 R - 71st Sq (D) Dur-3K (E) Submarine Patrol
60 miles due south Moresby 0926L to 1300L (U) Nil Sub Sighting (.)
1235L sighted ~~xxxx~~ Destroyer 15 miles south of Hood Point (.) 1225L
sighted Destroyer 15 miles off coast and 40 miles S E Hood Point
1245L sighted Freighter 10 ° 8 ' S - 146 ° 40 E (.) Weather scattered
rain squalls Visibility Poor Ceiling 800 ft.

OK

Called in Direct to 5th Bomber Command Intelligence

1500/L/4-1-43 R. J. Riley

HJ V CD NR4
Z CD 040159/L OPERATIONAL PRIORITY SECRET

BC92

FRAG. F. O. NO: 3-G

MISSION NO. : 3-G

MAPS : MAP LA/1/B

1A1 : 17 NAVAL VESSELS, 50 CARGO VESSELS, 20 SMALLER VESSELS REPORTED
RABAUH HARBOR.

1A2 : 1 E/F 1 E/B LANDED LAE 2 1908/3

1B1 : ENEMY RESISTANCE BUNA AREA REDUCED TO ONE SMALL POCKET.

1B2 : USUAL RECCOS. FIGHTER SCREEN BUNA. THIS MISSION CONDUCTED T///
WITH A-20 ATTACK ON AIRDRONE. P-38'S FIGHTER COVER LAE 1130L

1C : OBTAIN BASE OPS.

2 : STRIKE

3 : 4 SQ. B-25'S ATTACK SUPPLY DUMP I/// DIDDYMANS CREEK. TIME OF
ATTACK 1130/L

X1 : 100 LB INST.

X2 : REARM REFUEL CALL BOM COM BEFORE RELOADING.

4 : NO CHANGE.

5 : NOTIFY THIS HQ. TAKE OFF TIME AND CALL SIGNS.

FIGHTER CALL JAKE
BOMBER CALL SILVER

4 Jan 43

Mission 3-G Diddymans Creek - Supply Dump.

903-405th

P- Cheli, R. Capt
 CP- McCorkle, A. 2nd Lt
 N- Johnson, J. M. 2nd Lt
 B- Kaelin, V. N. 2nd Lt
 E- Bursick, J. T. 7/5gt
 R- Cathers, J. K. Corp
 G- Murphy, C. H. 5/5gt

938-405th

P- Hering, R. V. 1st Lt
 CP- Hester, R. V. 2nd Lt
 N- Hammel, W. O. 2nd Lt
 B- Scherer, N. L. 2nd Lt
 E- Jenner, J. A. 1st Lt
 R- Anderson, H. A. Corp
 G- Zimmerman, R. J. Corp

899-405th

P- Darby, F. N. 2nd Lt
 CP- Adkins, E. W. 2nd Lt
 N- Chascheld, W. E. 1st Lt
 B- Fody Jr., M. 2nd Lt
 E- Byler, D. E. 1st Lt
 R- Bepko, L. J. Corp
 G- Franklin, J. R. 1st Lt

905-405th

P- Brandon, W. D. 2nd Lt
 CP- Fuchner, B. 2nd Lt
 N- Knight, E. M. 2nd Lt
 B- Curtis, N. A. 2nd Lt
 E- Bumbaker, P. A. Corp
 R- Amador, C. D. 5/5gt
 G- Allen, A. L. 5/5gt

908-405

P- Middlebrook, H. 2nd Lt
 CP- Green, W. F. 2nd Lt
 N- Moffett, E. D. 2nd Lt
 B- Barry, L. D. 2nd Lt
 E- Koffe, L. A. 5/5gt
 R- Lillard, R. J. Corp
 G- Emmeringer, R. L. Corp

906-405th

P- Woods, W. L. 1st Lt
 CP- Towne, R. W. 2nd Lt
 N- Lacy, R. C. 2nd Lt
 B- Berber, F. M. 2nd Lt
 E- Guler, C. F. 1st Lt
 R- Brown, J. M. Corp
 G- Smith, E. L. 1st Lt

Reference Bur-3K took off at 0948/1/4 for attack on
 Supply Dump at Diddymans Creek. Over target 1130/1/4 ships
 landed - 1250-1251-1253-1255-1245-1256

Mission Report

4-1-43

DUR-3G

To Com Bom 5
From 38th Bomb Gp Durand

Final Mission Report (C) 6 R-405th Sq. (D) Dur 3G. (E) Dittymans House and Conealls House(Lae) (F) 49X100 Demo Inst from 2000 ft. (J) 37X100 in target area (.) One direct hit on house in vicinity of Dittymans which started fire giving off black smoke (.) Other bombs in target area giving off dust and light smoke damage unobserved (L) Heavy cal light intensity (M) G heavy and fairly accurate at 2nd element (M) Nil (U) M G fire received from middle of runway on North side (.) A/A received from South side of runway near shoreline (.) One plane unable to release any bombs (.) Another released only one (.) Both due to faulty mechanism (.) Weather CAVU (.) Photos Taken

J.B.

Called in direct to Submarine Command Intelligence

1500/L/4-1-43 R.J. Riley

4 Jan 43

727-71st

P- Keller Lt.

CP- Cecil Lt

N- Neethard Lt

B- Adler Lt

E- Hopkins Lt

R- McMillan Lt

G- Bellinger, Sgt.

Took off at 0800/L/4 for Fall River
to bring back 902-71st. Returned
Base 1435/L/4-1-43

904-71st

P- Herman, B.F. 2nd Lt

CP- Nelson, F.E. 2nd Lt

N Murphy, J.A. 2nd Lt.

B- Dwyer, K.H. 2nd Lt.

E- Adams, H.L. Sgt.

R- Hilgen, K.F. Sgt.

G- Skinner, W.E. Cpl.

Took off at 0904/L/4 for practice
Bombing missions. Returned to Base
1009/L/4

4 Jan 43

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830-71st

P - Popquin, N.M. 2nd Lt.

CP - Eudy, J.J. 2nd Lt.

N - Neesman, R.W. 2nd Lt.

B - Goodfellow, P.M. 2nd Lt.

E - Williamson, R.L. Corp.

R - Lewis, W.O. Sgt.

G - King, K.J. Sgt.

Took off at 0803/L/4 on practice
bombing mission returned to
base 0945/L/4736-71st

P - Best

CP - Greenflo

N - Anderson

B - Penrice

E - Britton

R - Lawrence

G - Woodruff

X - Bricebit Sgt

X - Drobney T/Sgt

X - Harlock - Sgt

X - Cunningham, Cpl.

took off at 0740/L/4 for Sydney
via Townsville - Brisbane
returned to Base Bad weatherTook off 1036/L/4 for Sydney via
Townsville - Brisbane.

4 Jan 43
710-71st

P - Turner, W.S. 1st Lt.
 CP - Robinson, R.K. 2nd Lt.
 N - Henrich, E.M. 2nd Lt.
 B - Craig, J.W. 2nd Lt.
 E - Hildebrand, R.J. Corp.
 R - Heston, N.A. S/Sgt.
 G - Lane, P.H. Corp.

took off at 0957/2/4 on practice
 bombing mission. Returned Base
 1026/2/4.

893-71st

P - Lunsman, C.C. 1st Lt.
 CP - Bryant, P.C. 2nd Lt.
 N - Dress, F.W. 2nd Lt.
 B - Carlin, A.F. 2nd Lt.
 E - Beall, A.D. Plt.
 R - Courtney, E.M. Cpl.
 G - Daniels, A.M. Cpl.

took off at 1010/2/4 on practice
 bombing mission. returned Base
 1046/2/4

7 Jan 43

710-71st

P - Towner, W. S. 1st Lt.
 CP - Robinson, R. K. 2nd Lt.
 N - Herwin, E. M. 2nd Lt.
 B - Craig, J. W. 2nd Lt.
 E - Hiddeman, R. J. Corp
 R - Kotick, H. A. S/Sgt
 G - Lane, P. R. Corp

took off on Practice bombing mission at 1334/1/4 returned to Base at 1457/1/4.

708-71st

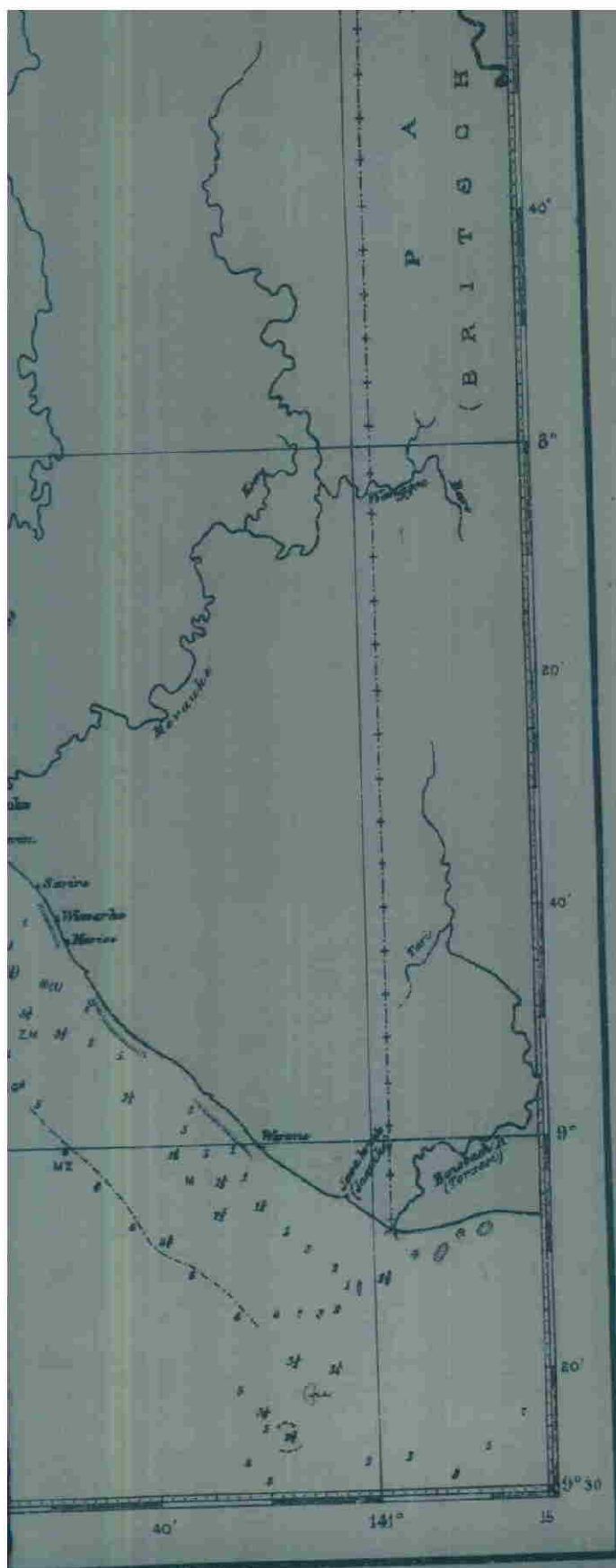
P - Brinkman, E. P. 2nd Lt.
 CP - Goodchild, W. S. 2nd Lt.
 N - Logsdon, T. M. 2nd Lt.
 B - Boyant, N. C. S/Sgt
 E - Conner, J. W. Sgt
 R - Treats, L. E. S/Sgt
 G - Flannagan, J. F. S/Sgt.

took off on Practice bombing mission at 1345/1/4 returned to Base at 1510/1/4.

830-71st

P - Tanberg, J. F. 1st Lt.
 CP - Towner, J. W. 2nd Lt.
 N - Reichen, J. B. 2nd Lt.
 B - Cawen, P. L. 2nd Lt.
 E - Lemon, L. H. Corp
 R - Heibel, M. R. Corp
 G - Jorgensen, A. J. Corp.

took off on Practice bombing mission at 1350/1/4 returned to Base at 1531/1/4.



No. (Dutch Catalogue) 154

5 Jan 43

Mission over Lae 4-G Ferry Field Order

893-71st

P - Lawrence, C.C. 1st Lt.
 CP - Bryant, P.C. 2nd Lt.
 N - Drees, F.W. 2nd Lt.
 B - Carlin, A.F. 2nd Lt.
 E - Beall, A.H. 1st Lt.
 R - Gustafson, E.M. Corp.
 G - Daniels, A.M. Corp.

904-71st

P - Herman, B.F. 2nd Lt.
 CP - Nelson, F.E. 2nd Lt.
 N - Murphy, J.A. 2nd Lt.
 B - Ritz, K.H. 2nd Lt.
 E - Adams, H.L. 1st Lt.
 R - Hilgen, K.T. 1st Sgt.
 G - Skinner, H.E. 1st Lt.

708-70th

P - Brinkman, P.P. 2nd Lt.
 CP - Goodkild, H.S. 2nd Lt.
 N - Loydon, T.M. 2nd Lt.
 B - Bogart, H.C. 1st Sgt.
 E - Connor, J.W. 1st Lt.
 R - Beahold, L.E. 1st Sgt.
 G - Flenmeyer, J.F. 1st Sgt.

700-71st

P - Durri, E. 2nd Lt.
 CP - Brady, B.J. 2nd Lt.
 N - Schmidt, C.F. 2nd Lt.
 B - Shank, M.R. 2nd Lt.
 E - ~~Minton~~, E.L. Corp.
 R - Heeb, A.A. Corp.
 G - Cooper, J.H. Corp.

830-71st

P - Pagnier, N.M. 2nd Lt.
 CP - Turley, J.G. 2nd Lt.
 N - Korman, M.V. 2nd Lt.
 B - Goodfellow, P.M. 2nd Lt.
 E - Williamson, A.L. Corp.
 R - Lewis, M.O. 1st Lt.
 G - King, K.J. 1st Sgt.

727-71st

P - Uhler, H.L. 2nd Lt.
 CP - Hopkins, D.L. 2nd Lt.
 N - McMillan, D.P. 2nd Lt.
 B - Preston, R.J. 2nd Lt.
 E - Demilleard, G.C. Corp.
 R - Schlatt, H.F. 1st Sgt.
 G - Foster, H.H. 1st Lt.

Took off on Mission over Lae at 1030/4/5. over target
 at 1200/4/5. returned to Base at
 Reference DUF-4-G.

U
HJ N CD NR 2
090117/L ROUTINE
TO 56TH GROUP
FROM BOM COM 5
BC140
FRAG. F. O. NO 4G
MISSION NO. 4G
MAPS TARGET PHOTOS
1A1 NO CHANGE
1A2 NO INFORMATION
1B1 NO CHANGE
1B2 USUAL RECCOS. STRIKE AS ORDERED BY 5 BC. USUAL FIGHTER
SCREEN BUNA. THIS MISSION CO-ORDINATED WITH A-20S.
P-38 COVER OVER LAE AT 1200/L/5 JANUARY.
OBATIN// OBTAIN BASE OPS
1C STRIKE
2 1 SQUADRON B-25S ATTACK LAE 1200/L/5 JANUARY. ATTACK TO
3 BE MADE AFTER A-20'S STRAFFING RUN. SEE TARGET PHOTOS
TO BE SENT GROUP BY BOMCOM INTELLIGENCE FOR SPECIFIC
TARGET.
X1 100LB INST.
X2 REARM. RELOAD 100LB INST. REPORT A-2 BOMCOM 5
4 NO CHANGE
5 NOTIFY THIS HQ CALL SIGNS AND TAKE OFF TIMES. FIGHTER
CALL JK// JAKE; BOMBER CALL SILVER.
COMBOMCOM 5
CD TGS 090230/L JCH VA
HJ B NR 2 WGJ VA

5 Jan 43
 Mission Report
 5-1-43 DUB-46
 CD V HJ NR 1
 T A-2 5 BOMCOM 2 HJ
 OPS IMMEDIATE 051440/L

FINAL MISSION REPORT

(A) DUB - 46 71 SQ. 6R (B) TERRACE SUPPLY DUMPS LAE (C) 1200/L 4700 FT
 (D) DAMAGE UNOBSERVED (.) ONE TRAIN OF 12 X 100 HIT ALONG TAXI STRIP ON
 N SIDE OF RUNWAY (E) 8 - 10 BURST OF HEAVY A/A ABOVE AND BEHIND FLIGHT
 FROM E END OF RUNWAY ON N AND S SIDES NEAR WATER EDGE (.) EFFECTIVE
 MG FIRE SEEN TO COME FROM S SIDE OF RUNWAY ABOUT MIDWAY ALONG STRIP
 (F) 2 SINGLE ENGINE PLANES SEEN TO TAKE OFF TOWARDS SEA AND CIRCLE TO
 SOUTH (.) NO INTERCEPTION (H) SMALL HOLE IN TAIL OF ONE PLANE (I) LAE
 DROME AND TOWN SITE AND COVERING BOMB BURSTS (J) 3 TWIN ENGINE TWIN TAIL
 PLANES PARKED IN LINE AT W END OF STRIP (.) BLACK SMOKE POURING FROM
 CENTER PLANE (K) SCATTERED CLOUDS 6000/7000 FT. VISIBILITY GOOD (L) RUN
 MADE F// NW TO SE (.) BOMBS DROPPED IN TRAIN PARALLEL WITH RUNWAY AND
 ALONG N SIDE (.) BOMBS HIT ALONG LAST THIRD OF STRIP AND APPROX 100 YDS
 N (.) TWO PLANES RELEASED ONE BOMB EACH DUE TO INTERVOLAMETER TROUBLE
 (.) (M) 50 X 100 INST. DEMO (.)

TOS 051510/5/L RHP VA
 VMIT RHT TH TO T

VLVV RPT R PLS GARZAME
 YOU WILL HAVE TO RPT THE TOS GA
 TOS P// 051510/5/L RHP VA
 CD R NR 1 HAS VA

JN BACK ON NOW

OK THNS
 CD V HH GA PLS
 THIS IS CD GA PLS

TO Com Bom 5
FROM 38 BG Durand

DUR-46

Final Mission Report (A)/46 - 71 Sq. 68 (B) Terrace Supply Dumps Lee
(C) 1200/L 4700 ft. (D) Damage unobserved (.) One train of 12x100 hit along
taxi strip on N side of runway (E) 8 - 10 burst of Heavy A/A above and behind
flight from E end of runway on N and S sides near water edge (.) Effective
MG fire seen to come from S side of runway about midway along strip (F) 2
single engine planes seen to take off towards sea and circle to south (.)
No interception (H) Small hole in tail of one plane (I) Lee drome and town
site and covering bomb bursts (J) 3 twin engine twin tail planes parked in
line at W end of strip (.) Black smoke pouring from center plane (K) scattered
clouds 6000/7000 ft. visibility good (L) Run made NW to SE (.) Bombs dropped
in train parallel with runway and along N side (.) Bombs hit along last
third of strip and approx 100 yds N. (.) Two planes released one bomb each
due to intercom trouble (.) (M) 50x100 inst. demo (.)

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906-405th

P- Johnson.
CP- Pittman, W. 2nd Lt.

took off on test flight at 0810/L/5
returned to Base 0840/L/5.

N-

B-

E- Selinsky

R-

G-

905-405th

P- Herry, R. S. 1st Lt. - took off on Practice Bombing mission
CP- Herry, R. S. 2nd Lt. at 0830/L/5. Returned to Base at
N- Scammel, V. A. 2nd Lt. 0920/L/5.

B- Scheerer, H. L. 2nd Lt.

E- Jensen, J. A. Sgt.

Took off on Practice Bombing mission
at 1000/L/5 returned to Base at

R- Anderson, H. A. Corp.

G- Zimmerman, R. J. Corp.

1107/L/5.

905-405th
P- Mondelli, R. S. 1st Lt.

CP- Latham, R. R. 2nd Lt.

N- Lytle, C. M. 2nd Lt.

B- Neumann, Jr. 1st Lt.

E- Ames, J. D. 1st Lt.

R- Harrison, L. C. Corp.

G- Bassi, C. F. 1st Lt.

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903 - 405 ch

P - Parlick, W. L. 2nd Lt.

CP - Murray, F. A. 2nd Lt.

N - Page, H. L. 2nd Lt.

B - Thomas, J. E. 2nd Lt.

E - Walff, R. B. 2nd Lt.

R - Bunkley, T. V. 2nd Lt.

G - Morgan, J. E. 1st Lt.

938 - 405 ch

P - Hay, W. M. 2nd Lt.

CP - Lake, Jr. W. F. 2nd Lt.

N - McWilliams, J. K. 2nd Lt.

B - Miles, O. C. 2nd Lt.

E - Craig, V. C. Corp.

R - Cole, J. A. Corp.

G - Eaten, W. H. 5/Sgt.

903 - 405 ch

P - Noods, W. H. 1st Lt.

CP - Towne, R. W. 2nd Lt.

N - Larni, R. C. 2nd Lt.

B - Berhler, F. M. 2nd Lt.

E - Loden, C. F. 2nd Lt.

R - Bruns, J. W. Corp.

G - Smith, E. L. 2nd Lt.

took off on Practice Bombing mission at 0900/L/5 returned to Base at 0940/L/5.

took off on Practice Bombing mission at 0945/L/5 returned to Base at 1100/L/5.

took off on Practice Bombing mission at 0905/L/5 returned to Base at -

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905-405th

P- Brandon, W.D. 2nd Lt.

CP- Lockness, B. 2nd Lt.

N- Knight, E.W. 2nd Lt.

B- Curtis, H.A. 2nd Lt.

E- Brubaker, D.A. Corp.

R- Amaden, C.D. S/Sgt.

G- Allen, A.T. S/Sgt.

Took off on practice bombing mission at 1450/L/5. returned to Base at 1555/L/5.

903-405th

P- Foley, J.R. 2nd Lt.

CP- McCook, A. 2nd Lt.

N-

B- Guelin, V.N. 2nd Lt.

E- Huggins, C.D. Sgt.

R- Ladlowaki, J.W. Corp.

G- Catonoli, D.M. S/Sgt.

within
908-405

Took off on practice bombing mission at 1410/L/5. returned to Base at 1535/L/5.

P- Middlebrook, H. 2nd Lt.

CP- Moore, W.F. 2nd Lt.

N- Moffett, E.D. 2nd Lt.

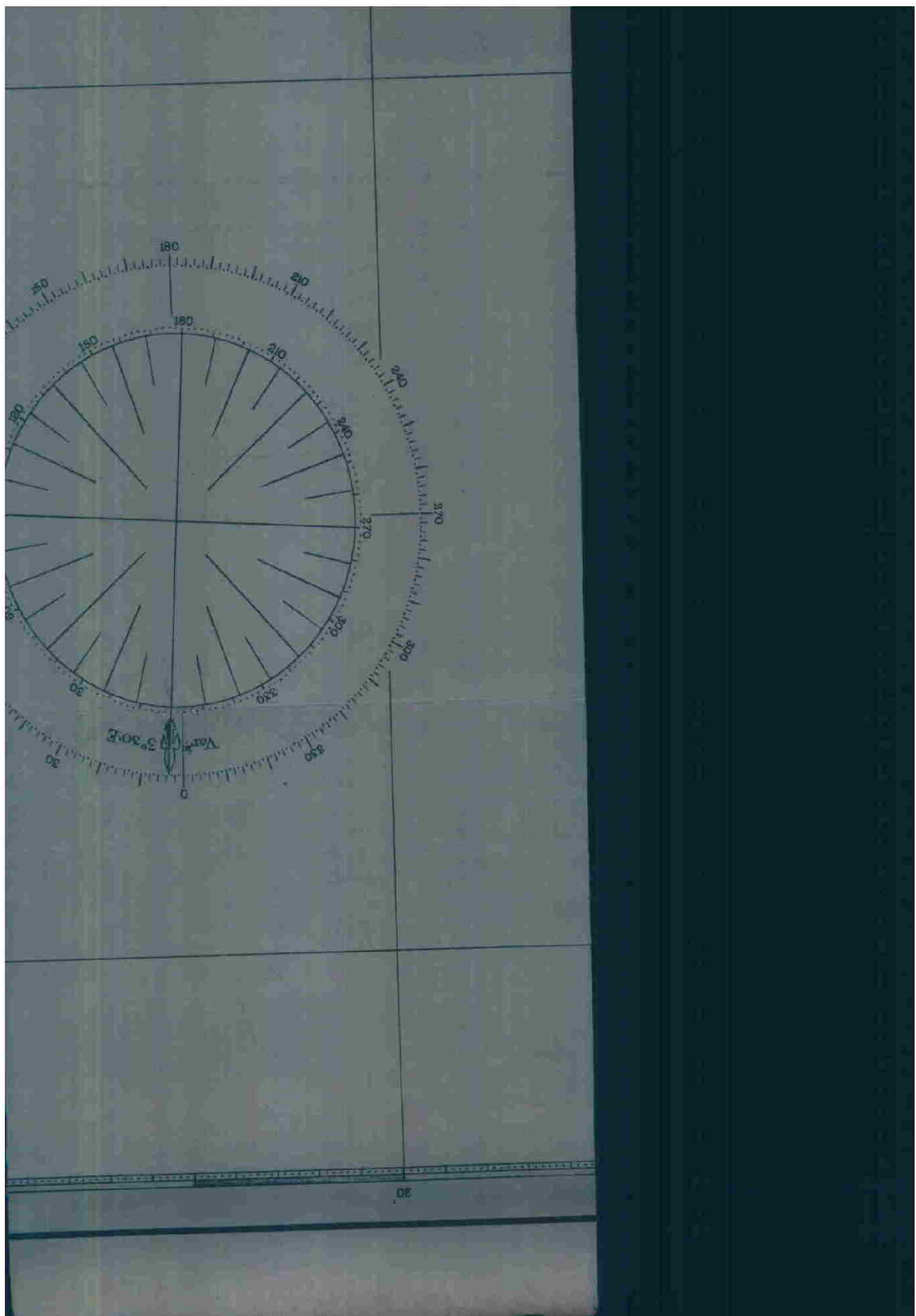
B- Perry, E.D. 2nd Lt.

E- Kupper, L.D. S/Sgt.

R- Lillard, R.J. Corp.

G- Emmeringer, A.L. Corp.

Took off on practice bombing mission at 1345/L/5. returned to Base at 1550/L/5.



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Mission 5-J

727-71st

P-McCathern,

CP-Cecil, F.M. 2nd Lt.

N-Weatherall, L.J. 2nd Lt.

B-Cisley, T.A. S/Sgt.

E-Shaw, C.E. Corp.

R-Johnson, F.L. S/Sgt.

G-Farley, H.C. S/Sgt.

692-71st

P-Torberg, L.F. 1st Lt.

CP-Lavens, J.W. 2nd Lt.

N-Reiber, J.B. 2nd Lt.

B-Cawen, P.D. 2nd Lt.

E-Lemon, L.H. Corp.

R-Heibel, M.R. Corp.

G-Garguis, A.J. Corp.

708-71st

P-Durrie, E. 2nd Lt.

CP-Brosby, B.J. 2nd Lt.

N-Schmitt, C.F. 2nd Lt.

B-Shank, W.R. 2nd Lt.

E-Horton, E.L. Corp.

R-Steel, A.A. Corp.

G-Cooper, J.H. Corp.

893-71st

P-Lawman, C.C. 1st Lt.

CP-Bryant, D.C. 2nd Lt.

N-Drees, F.W. 2nd Lt.

B-Carlin, A.F. 2nd Lt.

E-Beall, A.L. 1st Lt.

R-Courtenay, C.M. Corp.

G-Panick, A.M. Corp.

830-71st

P-Paguir, H.M. 2nd Lt.

CP-Eusby, J.J. 2nd Lt.

N-Messman, K.W. 2nd Lt.

B-Goodfellow, P.M. 2nd Lt.

E-Williamson, P.L. Corp.

R-Lewis, W.O. Sgt.

G-Ling, K.J. Sgt.

904-71st

P-Hennan, B.F. 2nd Lt.

CP-Nelson, F.E. 2nd Lt.

N-Murphy, J.A. 2nd Lt.

B-Petty, R.H. 2nd Lt.

E-Adams, H.L. Sgt.

R-Hilgen, H.F. S/Sgt.

G-Skinner, W.C. 1st Lt.

Mission to Laysan Point. Flights took off at
1005/L/G. Over Target at
at
Reference Dur-5-J. returned to Base

TO A-2 Com Bom 5
From 38th Bomb Gp Durand

Final Mission Report (A) Dur-5J 71st Sq 62. (B) Strike Sanananda Point
(C) 2100L/6 1500 - 3100 ft (D) 24 Bombs dropped in target area. Results
unobserved (E) Nil A/A. Light inaccurate M G fire from 1st turn in track
(I) Sanananda Point and Track. (K) Clear over target overcast 8000 /
10000 ft closing in at sea. (L) Straffed Supply dumps of boxes and
barrels approximately 500 yards from shoreline along Sanananda Track.
Also straffed M G position at ~~RIVER~~ mouth of first creek W of Point.
Pill box sighted approximately 200 yards North of track and 100 yards
inland. (M) 36 X 300 Demo Inst. 6 X 300 salvaged at sea. 6 X 300 dropped
safe in target area due to electrical trouble. 1150 X 50 cal and 1700
X 30 cal at M G positions and supply dumps.

6 Jan 43 Mission Report
6-1-43 DUR-65

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CD V HJ NR 1
T A-25 BOMCON 2 HJ
OPS IMMEDIATE 061342/L

FINAL MISSION REPORT (A) DUR - 53 71ST S2.6/RR GR. (B) STRIKE ZAMMEX
SAMANANDA POINT (C) 1100L/6 1500 - 3100 FT (D) 24 BOMBS DROPPED IN
TARGET AREA. RESULTS UNOBSERVED (E) NIL A/A. LIGHT INACCURATE NG FIRE
FROM 1ST TURN IN TRACK (F) SAMANNA/// SAMANANDA PI// POINT AND TRACK.
(K) CLEAR OVER TARGET OVERCAST 8000 / 10000 FT CLOSING IN AT SEA. (L)
STRAFFED SUPPLY DUMPS OF BOXES AND BARRELS APPROXIMATELY 500 YEA/// YARDS
FROM SHORELINE ALONG SAMANANDA TRACK. ALSO STRAFFED NG POSITION
AT MOUTH OF FIRST CREEK N OF POINT. PILL BOX SIGHTED APPROXIMATELY 200
YARDS NORTH OF TRACK AND 100 YARDS INLAND. (M) 36 X 300 DEMO INST.
6 X 300 SALVAGED AT SEA. 6 X 300 DROPPED SAFE IN TARGET AREA DUE TO
ELECTRICAL TROUBLE. 1150 X 50 CAL AND 1700 X 30 CAL AT NG POSITIONS AND
SUPPLY DUMPS.

TOS 061357/L RHP VA
CD NRI A...LEW VA

6 Jan 43

488-71st

P - O'Neill, K, Lt. Col.

CP - Marks, M. M. 2nd Lt.

CP - Lett, W. R. 2nd Lt.

N - Johnson, J. B. 2nd Lt.

B - Lyons, P. 2nd Lt.

E - Thompson, L. C. Sgt.

R - Bakker, J. J. T/Sgt.

X - Thomas, J. E. 2nd Lt.

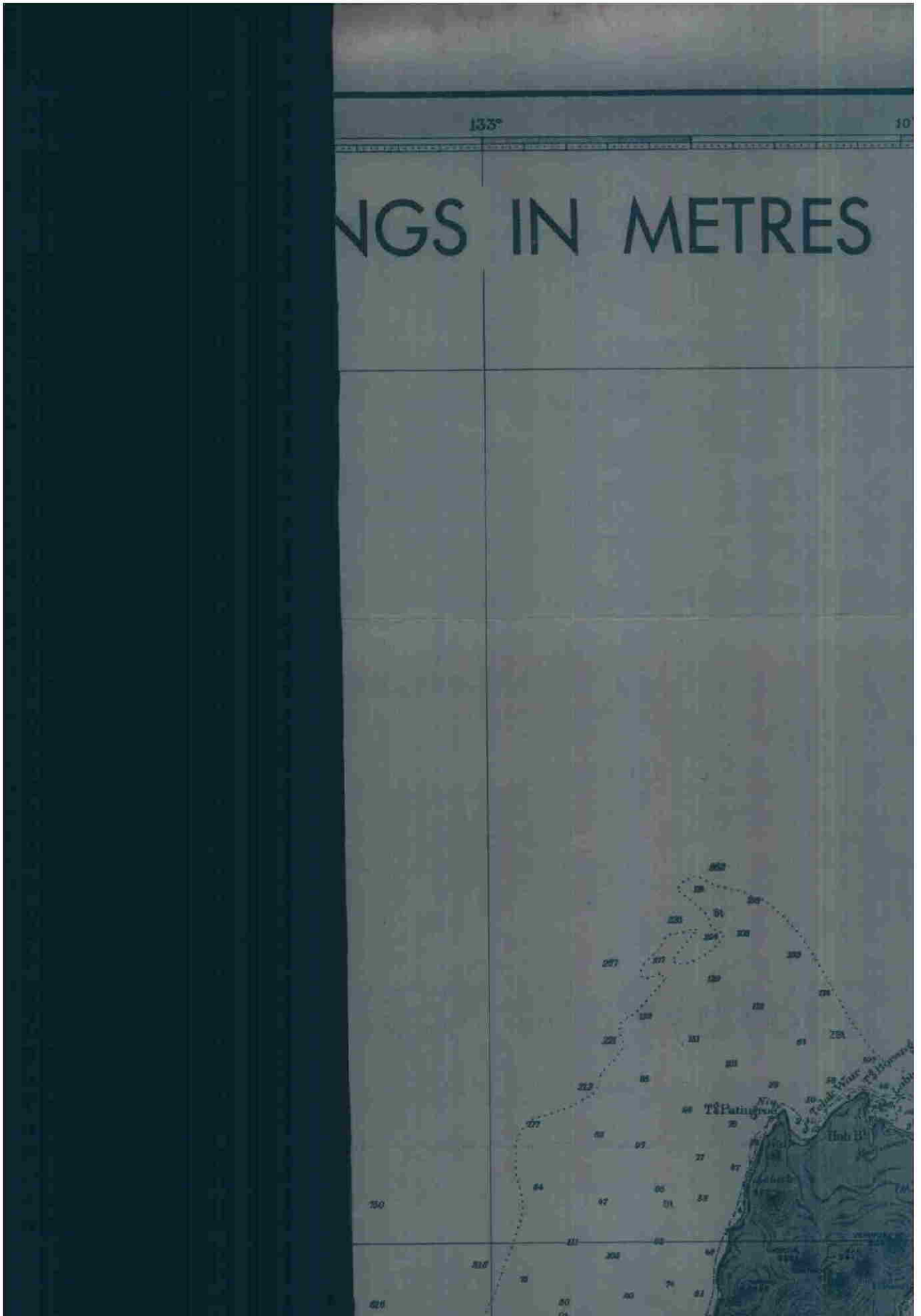
X - Brody, B. J. 2nd Lt.

X - Graham, D. C. Corp.

X - Samoy, A. J. Priv. 1st.

X - McWilliams

Took off from Townsville
at 0945/4/6 Landed
at Durand at 1315/4/6



Field Order
6-J.

Rec'd

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J V CD NR 8
H

070935/L OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

EC352

TO: 36TH BOES GROUP

FROM: BOM COM 5

FRAG. F. O. NO 6 - J

MISSION NO 6 - J

MAPS

AS REQUIRED

1A1

0730L 4 ENEMY TRANSPORTS, 1 CRUISER, 3 DESTROYERS ON
COURSE 270 DEGREES POSITION 0700S 14230E.

1A2

NO INFORMATION.

1B1

NO CHANGE

1B2

STRIKES OR RECCOS AS ORDER// ORDERED. USUAL FIGHTER
SCREEN BUNA AREA.

1C

OBTAIN AT BUNA// DURAND.

2

SEARCH

3

1 B-25 SEARCH FOR B-17 NR 383 FROM PORT MORESBY 100
MILES TO SEA ON COURSE OF 190 DEGREES. WIDTH OF SEARCH
50 TO 60 MILES. LAST KNOWN POSITION WAS 43 MILES FROM
MORESBY, BEARING 190 DEGREES.

X1

NONE

X2

REFUEL AND CALL V BOM COM FOR FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS

4

NONE

5

CALL BOM COM FIVE GIVING TIME OF TAKE-OFF AND CALL SIGNS

COMBOMCOM 5

CD TOS 070935ZL JCN VA

NJ R NR 8 RHP VA

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7 Jun 43
Mission 6-J Recon

18 Jun 43 Looking for B-17 airplane

938-705 ch old copy

P- Mondelli, L. V. 1st Lt.

CP- Latham, P. R. 2nd Lt.

N- Styler, C. W. 2nd Lt.

B- Mussman, J. R. 2nd Lt.

E- Amos, J. D. Pvt.

R- Harris, L. C. Corp.

G- Brier, C. P. Pvt. 1st.

Took off at 0940/L/7. on mission

Looking for B-17 airplane returned to
Base 1145/L/7

Reference Run - G-J.

TO: 353 Bom Com 5

FROM: 38 th. Bomb. Group

(A) DUB-6J 1R-405th. Bomb. Sqd.

(B) Search for B-17, 198 Degrees from Port Moresby

(D) Nil sightings

(E) Two weak fronts, 20 Miles and 75 Miles below Port Moresby. Visibility very poor.

(L) Area between two fronts searched ~~thoroughly~~ thoroughly. Nil sightings.

Capt. Ellis I.O.

Mission Report
CD V HJ NR 3
671310/L PRIORITY

7-1-13 1342417 Jan 43
6-5 *BAK*
TO A-2 BOMCOM 5
FROM 38TH BOMB GROUP

- (A) BUR-SJ 1R-405TH. BOMB. SQD.
- (E) SEARCH FOR B-17, 198 DEGREES FROM PORT MORESBY
- (D) NIL SIGHTINGS
- (K) TWO WEAK FRONTS, 20 MILES AND 75 MILES BELOW PORT MORESBY. VISIBILITY VERY POOR.
- (L) AREA BETWEEN TWO FRONTS SEARCHED THOROUGHLY. NIL SIGHTINGS.

TCS 071337/L EEE VA
DC NR 3 R FK VA

CAPT. ELLIS Z/ I. O.

NJ V CD NR4
 Z CD 070225/L OP
 DC243
 FREQ. 1F. O. NO. 6-G
 MISSION MMH NO. 6-G
 MAPS NEW GUINEA FINSCHIAFEN AREA.
 1A1 8 ENEMY SHIPS BELIEVED TO BE IN FINSCHIAFEN
 1A2 ENEMY FIGHTER COVER EXPECTED
 1B1 NO CHANGE
 1B2 B-17S TO BE AT FINSCHIAFEN DAWN FOR STRIKE. 1 SQUADRON P-36S
 PRECEDED B-25'S TO FINSCHIAFEN. BOSTONS 27TH STRIKE LAE FIRST
 LIGHT.
 1C OBTAIN AT FIELD
 2 STRIKE
 3 2 SQUADS B-25S (38TH GP) TAKE OFF 0645 TO ATTACK ENEMY CONVOY AT
 FINSCHIAFEN. P-36'S WILL PRECEDE B-25'S AND REMAIN TARGET FOR
 LIMIT OF FUEL.
 X1 6 X 300 LB INST FUZE
 X2 SEND PRELIMINARY REPORT TO A-2 BOM COM
 4 NO CHANGE
 5 SOI THIS HQ. FOR CALL SIGNS ETC.
 COMMAND FREQ 4895 FIFERS "BILLY" BOMBERS & "DUTCH"
 LIASON FREQ. STRIKE FREQ.
 REPORT SIGHTINGS AND WEATHER AT TARGET.
 COMBOMCON 3
 TOO 0225/L/7
 TOS CD....0523/7/L RVS VA
 NJ R NR4 UGJ VA

7 Jan 43 7 Jan 43
Mission G-G Shipping Finckhafen

903-405th

908-405th

898-405th

P- Cheli, R. Capt.	P- Middlebrook, H. 2nd Lt.	P- Darby, F. N. 2nd Lt.
CP- McCorkle, A. 2nd Lt.	CP- Mason, W. F. 2nd Lt.	CP- Ardline, E. W. 2nd Lt.
N- Johnson, L. M. 2nd Lt.	N- Moffett, C. D. 2nd Lt.	N- Threlkeld, M. E. 1st Lt.
B- Koelke, V. H. 2nd Lt.	B- Cerny, L. P. 2nd Lt.	B- Folsom, J. M. 2nd Lt.
E- Burdick, J. T. T/Sgt.	E- Kapper, H. A. S/Sgt.	E- Bybee, D. E. Pvt.
R- Cothran, J. K. Corp.	R- Lillard, R. J. Corp.	R- Bepko, S. J. Corp.
G- Murphy, C. H. S/Sgt.	G- Emminger, R. L. Corp.	G- Franklin, J. R. Sgt.

906-405th

905-405th

899-405th

P- Henry, R. L. 1st Lt.	P- Brandon, W. P. 2nd Lt.	P- Hay, W. M. 2nd Lt.
CP- Groves, R. L. 2nd Lt.	CP- Lockness, B. 2nd Lt.	CP- Lutz, W. F. 2nd Lt.
N- Scammell, W. O. 2nd Lt.	N- Knight, E. W. 2nd Lt.	N- McWilliams, J. R. 2nd Lt.
B- Scheerer, H. L. 2nd Lt.	B- Curtis, H. A. 2nd Lt.	B- Miles, O. E. 2nd Lt.
E- Juma, J. A. Sgt.	E- Brubaker, D. A. Corp.	E- Craig, V. C. Corp.
R- Anderson, H. A. Corp.	R- Amaden, C. D. S/Sgt.	R- Cole, J. A. Corp.
G- Zimmerman, R. J. Corp.	G- Allen, A. L. S/Sgt.	G- Ester, W. L. S/Sgt.

Took off at 0639 - 0639 - 0640 - 0641 - 0641 and 0641
over target at
Reference Run - G.G.
returned to Base at

7 Jan 63

Mission G-G Shipping Emschhafen

727-71st700-71st830-71st

P-McCutcheon, R.H. Maj.	P-Dunni, E. 2nd Lt.	P-Pagano, N.M. 2nd Lt.
CP-Cecil, F.M. 2nd Lt.	CP-Brosdy, R.J. 2nd Lt.	CP-Tuckey, J.J. 2nd Lt.
N-Westchamell, L.J. 2nd Lt.	N-Schmitt, C.F. 2nd Lt.	N-Woodman, K.W. 2nd Lt.
B-Ciesley, T.A. 3/Sgt.	B-Shank, W.R. 2nd Lt.	B-Woodfellow, P.M. 2nd Lt.
E-Shaw, C.E. Corp.	E-Norton, E.L. Corp.	E-Williamson, D.L. Corp.
R-Johnson, F.L. S/Sgt.	R-Steel, A.A. Corp.	R-Lewis, W.O. Sgt.
G-Farley, N.C. S/Sgt.	G-Cooper, J.H. Corp.	G-Fring, K.J. Sgt.

893-71st710-71st708-71st

P-Lawman, C.C. 1st Lt.	P-Tanberg, L.F. 1st Lt.	P-Brinkman, E.P. 2nd Lt.
CP-Bryant, D.C. 2nd Lt.	CP-Lavens, J.W. 2nd Lt.	CP-Hoodhill, W.L. 2nd Lt.
N-Arce, F.W. 2nd Lt.	N-Reiben, J.R. 2nd Lt.	N-Loydon, T.M. 2nd Lt.
B-Caslin, A.F. 2nd Lt.	B-Cannon, P.L. 2nd Lt.	B-Boysart, N.C. S/Sgt.
E-Beall, A.H. Det. 1st.	E-Lemon, L.H. Corp.	E-Conner, J.W. Sgt.
R-Conteaux, E.M. Corp.	R-Kiebel, M.R. Corp.	R-Desbold, K.C. S/Sgt.
G-Panick, A.M. Corp.	G-Jorgans, A.J. Corp.	G-Flannagan, J.F. S/Sgt.

Took off at 0646, -0646, -0647, -0648, -0648 and 0649
 over target at
 Reference Dur-66.

returned to Base at
 708 was last seen to crash land in
 water, fold up and disappear. 3
 chutes were seen to open.

TO Com Bom 5
From 38th Bomb gGp Durand

Final Mission Report(A) 6 G 6 R-405th Sq 6 R-71st Sq (B) 8 Ship Convoy
at 06 ° 40 ' S - 149 ° 55 ' E (C) ~~0000~~ ^{0805L/7-0820L} - ~~0000~~ 1100 - 4300 (D) Results
unobserved (E) Heavy Heavy very accurate at 1500 ft and above (F) 5 Zekes
made individual attacks on second flight after bombs were away between
3300 and 4300 ft. (G) attacks from front above and stern. Own aircraft
kept close formation. One Zeke shot down in flames by top turrett gunner
on 710. One Zeke wing shattered by same gunner. Plane peeled off and was
not seen again. First mentioned Zeke shot down off tail of 893. Top gunner
on 839 fired tracers into Zeke that burst into black smoke and was seen to
fall away. (H) 706 missing, Plane seen to crash ~~into water~~ land into water,
break in half and disappear. This was result of A/A burst in right Engine.
Possibly 3 parachutes seen to open. 893 received A/A hole in stabilizer.
M G holes in fin of 830. Upper turrett ~~AA~~ of 905 shot away by A/A. Schrapel
holes in nose and upper turrett of 908. Bombardier slightly injured in
forehead. Gunner hospitalized with ^{wound through} ~~wound through~~ elbow. ~~XXXX~~ (I) Convoy and Bomb
bursts. (J) One 2-masts schooner sighted south of Marburo river appeared to
be anchored. 8 barges 25 to 30 ft long headed west was sighted among convoy.
(K) Scattered Cumulus 7-10 cover at 1500 ft over target area. (L) All 8 ships
in convoy appeared to be maneuvering independently from 1 to 3 miles apart,
taking advantage of cloud cover. Debris seen in water around one transport.
A Naval vessels appeared to be of latest Destroyer design. One transport
stationary no ~~WAKE~~ Wake evident. Smoke coming from one Transport which
appeared to be smoke screen. Photos taken. (M) 5X500 Demo Inst 78X300 Demo

Inst 2X300 fell safe. 475X50 cal 175X30 cal fired at Enemy
Aircraft and deck of Transport.

Mission Report
7-1-43
DUR-6-G
 CD V HJ NR 2
 071130/L OPS IMMEDIATE
 TO COMNAV A-2 Z HJ

Rec'd 1202417 Jan 43

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FINAL MISSION REPORT (A) CG GR 405TH SQ. GR 71ST SQ. (B) 8 SHIP
 CONVOY AT 06 DEC 40 MIN S 149 DEG 55 MIN E (C) 0800/7/L - 0920/7/L
 1100 - 4300 (D) RESULTS UNOBSERVED (E) HEAVY HEAVY VERY ACCURATE AT 1500
 FT AND ABOVE (F) 5 ZEKES MADE INDIVIDUAL ATTACKS ON SECOND FLIGHT//
 FLIGHT AFTER BOMBS WERE AWAY BETWEEN 3300 AND 4300 FT. (G) ATTACKS FROM
 FRONT ABOVE AND STERN. OWN AIRCRAFT KEPT CLOSE FORMATION. ONE ZEKE SHOT
 DOWN IN FLAMES BY TOP TURRETT GUNNER ON 710. ONE ZEKE WING SHATTER
 ED BY SAME GUNNER. PLANE PEELED OFF AND WAS NOT SEEN AGAIN. FIRST MENTIONED
 ZEKE SHOT DOWN OFF TAIL OF 893. TOP GUNNER ON 830 FIRED TRACERS
 INTO ZEKE THAT BURST INTO BLACK SMOKE AND WAS SEEN TO FALL AWAY. (H)
 708 MISSING. PLANE SEEN TO CRASH LAND INTO WATER, BREAK IN HALF AND
 DISAPPEAR. THIS WAS RESULT OF A/A BURST IN RIGHT ENGINE. POSSIBLY 3
 PARACHUTES SEEN TO OPEN. 893 RECEIVED -A/A HOLE IN STABILIZER. NO HOLE
 IN FIN ~~FIN~~ NO HOLES IN FIN OF 830. UPPER TURRETT OF 903 SHOT
 AWAY BY A/A. SHRAPNEL HOLES IN NOSE AND UPPER// UPPER TURRETT OF 903
 BOMBARDIER SLIGHTLY INJURED IN FOREHEAD. GUNNER HOSPITALIZED WITH WOUND
 IN ELBOW. ST

~~WILL YOU PLEASE STAY OFF LINE TILL I FINISH~~
 (I) CONVOTOMIIIIIIIIIV YOU ARE OVERTYPING START AT AWAY A/A SA

AWAY BY A/A. SHRAPNEL HOLES IN NOSE AND UPPER TURRETT OF 903. BOMBARDIER
 SLIGHTLY INJURED IN FOREHEAD. GUNNER HOSPITALIZED WITH WOUND IN
 ELBOW. (I) CONVOY AND BOMB BURSTS. (J) ONE 2 MASTS SCHOONER SIGHTED
 MOUTH OF MANDARE RIVER APPEARED TO BE ANCHORED. 8 BARGES 25 TO 30 FT
 LONG HEADED WEST WAS SIGHTED AMONG COV// CONVOY. (K) SCATTERED CUMULUS
 7-10 COVER AT 1500 FT OVER TARGET AREA. (L) ALL 8 SHIPS IN CONE////
 CONVOY APE// APPEARED TO BE MANEUVERING INDEPENDENTLY FROM 1 TO 3 MILES
 APART, TAKING ADVANTAGE OF CLOUD COVER. DEERIS SEEN IN WATER AROUND ONE
 TRANSPORT. 4 NAVAL VESSELS APPEARED TO BE OF LATEST DESTROYER DESIGN.
 8/3/ ONE TRANSPORT STATIONARY NO WAKE EVIDENT. SMOKE COMING FROM ONE
 TRANSPORT WHICH APPEARED TO BE SMOL// SMOKE SCREEN. PHOTOS TAKEN.
 (M) 5 X 500 DEMO INST 78/2/887 78 X 300 DEMO INST 2 X 500 FELL SAFE.
 475 X 50 CAL 175 X 30 CAL FIRED AT ENEMY AIRCRAFT AND DECK OF TRANS-
 PORT.

8 TOS 071157/L RHP VA
 CD R NR 2 HAS VA

NJ V CD NR 12

071412/L OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

*Fraser Field Order**Rec'd 1435 L/7 Jan 43**File*

EC 258

FRAG. F.O. NO

MISSION NO.

MAPS

1A1

1A2

1B1

1B2

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COMBOMCON 5

T.O.O. 1345/L/7/1

TOS 071425/L FR VA

NJ R NR12 RHP VA

- 6715*
- : GN
 - : GN
 - : USUAL.
 - : ENEMY CONVOY 1215/L/7 POSITION 0607S 14800E. 2 CRUISERS. 2 TRANSPORTS, 4 DDS- 1 POSSIBLE DESTROYER. COURSE 240 DEGREES SPEED 12 K.
 - : ZEROS ON PAR///PATROL OVER LAE AND OVER THE ABOVE CONVOY.
 - : NO CHANGE.
 - : STRIKES AND RECCOS AS ORDERED. FIGHTER SCREEN: DUNA MAX ARE.
 - : OBTAIN DURAND.
 - : STRIKE
 - : 12 B-25S ATTACK ABOVE CONVOY. 2ND GROUP WILL NOTIFY 35TH OF RENDEVOUS WITH B-26S AND P-38S, GIVING TAKE OFF TIME ETC.
 - : SCOLDS
 - : REFUEL AND CALL 5 BOM CON FOR FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS.
 - : NONE
 - : CALL 5 BOMCON GIVING TAKE OFF AND CALL SIGNS.

7 Jan 43
Mission 6-M Shipping Finsehafen

903-405th

P-Cheli, R. Capt.
CP-McCorkle, A. 2nd Lt.
N-Johnson, I.M. 2nd Lt.
B-Waelin, W.N. 2nd Lt.
E-Burdick, J.T. T/Sgt.
R-Cothran, J.H. Corp.
G-Murphree, C.H. S/Sgt.
X-O'Neill Lt. Col.

908-405th

P-Pittman, W. 2nd Lt.
CP-Hall, D.H. 2nd Lt.
N-Smith, C.L. 2nd Lt.
B-Petronis, J.R. 2nd Lt.
E-Chilson, L. Corp.
R-Chegum, R.F. Corp.
G-Liwakowski, J.A. Corp.

909-405th

P-Watkins, J.P. 1st Lt.
CP-Ponegan, J.M. 2nd Lt.
N-Tuchman, A. 2nd Lt.
B-Gree, H.N. S/Sgt.
E-
R-Casebeer, N.L. Pvt.
G-Cooley, L.W. Corp.

906-405th

P-Herry, R.L. 1st Lt.
CP-Grover, R.L. 2nd Lt.
N-Sammel, W.O. 2nd Lt.
B-Scheerer, N.L. 2nd Lt.
E-Jenna, J.A. Sgt.
R-Anderson, N.A. Corp.
G-Zimmerman, R.J. Corp.

898-405th

P-Woods, W.H. 1st Lt.
CP-Towne, R.W. 2nd Lt.
N-Larzi, R.C. 2nd Lt.
B-Berkler, F.M. 2nd Lt.
E-Imber, C.F. Pvt.
R-Bass, J.W. Corp.
G-Smith, C.L. Pvt.

899-405th

P-Pavlich, W.L. 2nd Lt.
CP-Mowry, F.A. 2nd Lt.
N-Page, H.L. 2nd Lt.
B-Thomas, J.E. 2nd Lt.
E-Wolff, R.B. Pvt.
R-Burkley, T.V. Pvt.
G-Morgan, J.E. Sgt.

Took off at 1410/L/7 for shipping at Finsehafen.
returned to Base at 1730/L/7.

Reference Run - G.M.

7 Jan 43
Mission 6M Shipping Finnsbyfjorden

830 was last seen
to be heading from
Wilhelms Bay with one
engine shut out.

692-71st

710-71st

830-71st

P-Tanberg, L.F. 1st Lt.	P-Tarver, W.L. 1st Lt.	P-Lett, W.R. 2nd Lt.
CP-Larson, J.W. 2nd Lt.	CP-Roberson, R.B. 2nd Lt.	CP-Markus, M.M. 2nd Lt.
N-Reiber, J.B. 2nd Lt.	N-Kerasio, C.M. 2nd Lt.	N-Johnson, J.B. 2nd Lt.
B-Cawen, P.L. 2nd Lt.	B-Craig, J.W. 2nd Lt.	B-Bray, H.R. 2nd Lt.
E-Lemon, L.H. Corp.	E-Hiddemen, R.J. Corp.	E-Maupin, H.C. Corp.
R-Heibel, M.R. Corp.	R-Kotick, N.A. S/Sgt.	R-Bokoles, T.J. T/Sgt.
G-Zongari, A.J. Corp.	G-Lane, P.R. Corp.	G-Holmes, W.W. Corp.

938-405th

904-71st

700-71st

P-Pagano, N.M. 2nd Lt.	P-Herman, B.F. 2nd Lt.	P-Ahlen, W.L. 2nd Lt.
CP-Evans, J.J. 2nd Lt.	CP-Nelson, F.E. 2nd Lt.	CP-Hopkins, D.L. 2nd Lt.
N-Herman, N.V. 2nd Lt.	N-Murphy, J.A. 2nd Lt.	N-McMillan, D.P. 2nd Lt.
B-Hoodfellow, P.M. 2nd Lt.	B-Petz, K.H. 2nd Lt.	B-Preston, P.J. 2nd Lt.
E-Williamson, R.L. Corp.	E-Adams, N.L. Sgt.	E-Bemillard, O.C. Corp.
R-Lewis, W.O. Sgt.	R-Gilgan, K.F. S/Sgt.	R-Schlott, H.F. T/Sgt.
G-King, K.J. Sgt.	G-Shannon, W.E. Plt.	G-Foster, H.H. Plt.

Took off at 1415/2/7 for shipping at Finnsbyfjorden.
 returned to Base at 1700-1700, - ^{830 off} no return, - 1515, - 1700, and 1530/2/7.
 Defense Run - 6M.

TO 1-2 Bom Com 5
From 38th Bomb Gp Durand

Final Mission Report (A) Dur-6M 6R-71st Sq 6R-435th Sq (B) Convoy in Lee Harbor (C) 1545L/7 1500 ft and 5300 ft (D) Results unobserved. One hit believed on bow of Transport (E) Heavy Heavy fairly accurate at all altitudes. (F) four or five Zekes sighted. Single attacks made by two different Zekes. One painted Brown other silver after bombing run completed. No evasive action taken (H) 830 made forced landing in Buna Area with left engine feathered as result of possible hit from Zero attack. 938 returned before reaching target due to Engine trouble. 700 returned before reaching target due to electrical failure.

(U) As Zeke made attack from above top turrett gunner on 904 fired tracer into plane it was seen to dive towards water with P-38 trailing.

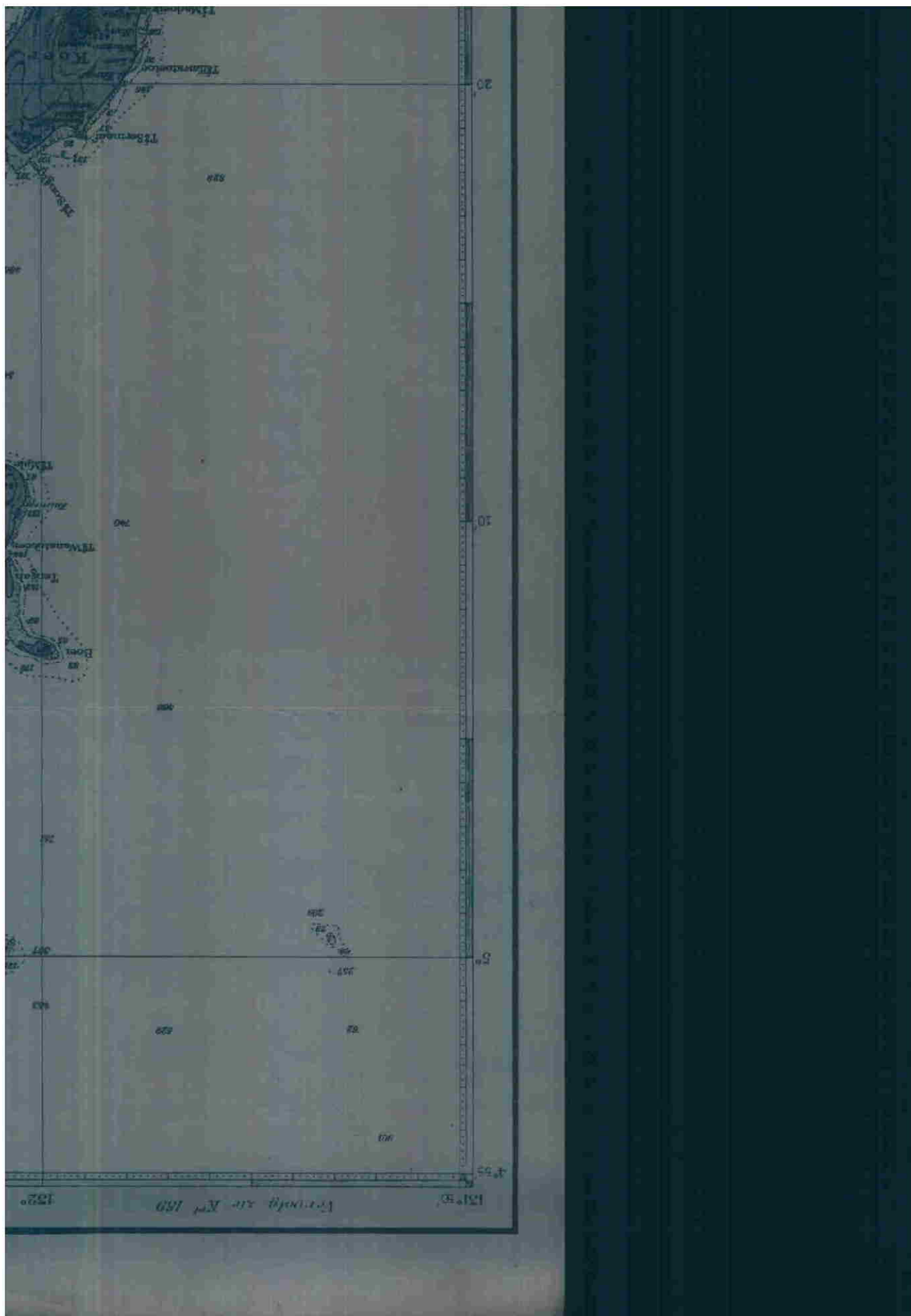
(H) (I) Convoy and Bombing runs. (K) 2-10 cloud cover over target closing in over mountains (L) 7 to 9 ships sighted in convoy. 3 crews reported sighting one ship laying on its side. Upon sighting our planes convoy dispersed so that no run could be made over two transports without crossing Naval Vessel. (M) 72X300 Demo Inst. 960X50 cal 50X30 cal at Aircraft and Deck straffing.

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7 Jan 7-1-43
DUR-6M *Recd 1934/4/7* *R.G.P.*
 CD V HJ NR 45
 071910/L OPS IMMEDIATE

TO A-2 BOMCOM 5
 FROM 38TH BOMB GP DURAND

FINAL MISSION REPORT (A) DUR-6M 6R-71ST SQ 6R-405TH SQ (B) CONVOY IN LAE HARBOR (C) 1545L/7 1500FT AND 5300 FT (D) RESULTS UNOBSERVED. ONE HIT BELIEVED ON BOW OF TRANSPORT (E) HEAVY HEAVY FAIRLY ACCURATE AT ALL ALTITUDES. (F) FOUR OR FIVE ZEKES SIGHTED. SINGLE ATTACKS MADE BY TWO DIFFERENT ZEKES. ONE PAINTED BROWN OTHER SILVER AFTER BOMBING RUN COMPLETED. NO EVASIVE ACTION TAKEN. (G) AS ZEKE MADE ATTACK FROM ABOVE TOP TURRETT GUNNER ON 904 FIRED TRACER INTO PLANE IT WAS SEEN TO DIVE TOWARDS WATER WITH P-38 TRAILING. (H) 830 MADE FORCED LANDING IN BUNNA AREA WITH KEPT ENGINE FEATHERED AS RESULT OF POSSIBLE HIT FROM ZERO ATTACK. 938 RETURNED BEFORE REACHING TARGET DUE TO ENGINE TROUBLE. 700 RETURNED BEFORE REACHING TARGET DUE TO ELECTRICAL FAILURE. (I) CONVOY AND BOMBING RUNS (K) 2-10 CLOUD OVER TARGET CLOSING IN OVER MOUNTAINS (L) 7 TP// TO 9 SHIPS SIGHTED IN CONVOY. 3 CREWS REPORTED SIGHTING ONE SHIP LAYING ON ITS SIDE. UPON SIGHTING OUR PLANES CONVOY DISPERSED SO THAT NO RUN COULD BE MADE OVER TWO TRANSPORTS WITHOUT CROSSING NAVAL VESSEL. (M) 72X300 DEMO INST. 960X50 CAL. 50X30 CAL. AT AIRCRAFT AND DECK STRAFFING.

TOS: 071925/L EEE VA
 CD R NR 5 HS VA



Perd 0345/4/

HJ V CD NR 1
080235/L OP
TO 38TH BG
BC-302

FRAG.F.O.NO. 7-J
MISSION NO. 7-J

MAPS USUAL

1A1 ENEMY CONVOY IN LAE HARBOR 1600/L/7
1A2 ENEMY FIGHTER PATROL OVER CONVOY AND OVER LAE AIRDRONE
AFTERNOON 7/1

1B1 NO CHANGE

1B2 P-38 TOP COVER. COORDINATED WITH BEAUFIGHTERS, A-20S
AND B-26S.

1C OBTAIN AT DURAND

2 STRIKE

3 ALL AVAILABLE B-25S ATTACK ENEMY EQUIPMENT ON BEACH
AT LAE. TAKE OFF AT FIRST LIGHT. ASSEMBLE WITH B-26S.
CIRCLE WARDS AIRDRONE AND KILA TO PICK UP BEAUFIGHTERS
AND A-20S. MAINTAIN VISUAL CONTACT WITH OTHER PLANES.
ATTACK AFTER A-20S

X1 T// 5 X 500 LB. INST.

X2 RELOAD 500 LB. INST AND REFUEL.

4 NIL

5 FIGHTER FREQUENCY 4895 KC. FIGHTER CALL SHUCKS.
BOMBER CALL PEANUTS.

COMBOMCOM 5
TOS 08/0330/L GRD VA
HJ R NR1 WGCJ VA

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Mission 7-J, Supplies on Beach at Lae.

903-405th

907-405th

899-405th

P- Cheli, P. Capt. P- Watkins, J. P. 1st Lt. P- Daboy, F. H. 2nd Lt.
 CP- McCook, A. 2nd Lt. CP- Donigan, J. M. 2nd Lt. CP- Adkins, E. W. 2nd Lt.
 N- Johnson, L. M. 2nd Lt. N- Eudyman, A. 2nd Lt. N- Threlkeld, W. E. 1st Lt.
 B- Wachin, W. H. 2nd Lt. B- Grey, L. H. S/Sgt. B- Fody, J. M. 2nd Lt.
 E- Burdick, J. T. T/Sgt. E- F- Byer, D. E. Pvt.
 R- Cothran, J. R. Corp. R- Casbeer, N. V. Pvt. R- Repko, L. J. Corp.
 G- Mumfries, C. H. S/Sgt. G- Cooley, L. W. Corp. G- Franklin, J. P. Sgt.

905-405th

908-405th

898-405th

P- Brandon, W. D. 2nd Lt. P- Pittman, W. 2nd Lt. P- Garg, W. M. 2nd Lt.
 CP- Lockner, B. 2nd Lt. CP- Hall, D. H. 2nd Lt. CP- Lutz, Jr. W. F. 2nd Lt.
 N- Wright, E. W. 2nd Lt. N- Smith, C. L. 2nd Lt. N- McKillim, J. R. 2nd Lt.
 B- Custer, H. A. 2nd Lt. B- Petronie, J. R. 2nd Lt. B- Miles, O. E. 2nd Lt.
 E- Brubaker, P. A. Corp. E- Chiles, S. Corp. E- Craig, V. C. Corp.
 R- Amador, C. P. S/Sgt. R- Cheyenne, R. F. Corp. R- Cole, J. A. Corp.
 G- Allen, A. T. S/Sgt. G- Lusakowski, J. A. Corp. G- Ester, W. H. S/Sgt.

Took off at 0625/4/8 for supplies on Beach at Lae. Over
 Target at 0810/4/8 returned to Base at 0930 and 0745
 Reference Run - 7-J.

8 Jan 43

Mission 7J, Supplies on Beach at Lul.

938-405th906-405th692-71st

P-Mondelli, J. V. 1st Lt.	P-Woods, W. H. 1st Lt.	P-Laneman, C. C. 1st Lt.
CP-Latham, R. B. 2nd Lt.	CP-Tourne, R. W. 2nd Lt.	CP-Bryant, D. C. 2nd Lt.
N-Styles, C. W. 2nd Lt.	N-Largie, R. C. 2nd Lt.	N-Drees, F. W. 2nd Lt.
B-Murman, Jr. 2nd Lt.	B-Berghen, F. M. 2nd Lt.	B-Caslin, A. F. 2nd Lt.
E-Amos, J. D. Plt.	E-Linley, C. F. Plt.	E-Beall, A. H. Plt. 1cl.
R-Hamms, L. C. Corp.	R-Brown, J. W. Corp.	R-Courtenay, C. M. Corp.
G-Bucci, C. P. Plt. 1cl.	G-Smith, C. L. Plt.	G-Daniels, A. M. Corp.

904-71st727-71st700-71st

P-Herman, B. F. 2nd Lt.	P-Walker, W. L. 2nd Lt.	P-Ducci, E. 2nd Lt.
CP-Nelson, F. E. 2nd Lt.	CP-Hopkins, D. L. 2nd Lt.	CP-Brody, B. J. 2nd Lt.
N-Murphy, J. A. 2nd Lt.	N-McMillan, D. R. 2nd Lt.	N-Schmitt, C. F. 2nd Lt.
B-Petz, K. L. 2nd Lt.	B-Freeman, R. J. 2nd Lt.	B-Shank, W. R. 2nd Lt.
E-Adams, H. L. Sgt.	E-Bemiller, O. C. Corp.	E-Aston, C. L. Corp.
R-Hilgen, K. T. S/Sgt.	R-Schlott, N. F. T/Sgt.	R-Steels, A. A. Corp.
G-Simmer, W. E. Plt.	G-Fortner, H. L. Plt.	G-Cooper, J. H. Corp.

Took off at 0630 1/4/8 for supplies on Beach at Lul. Over
 target at 0825 1/4/8 returned to Base at 0915 - 0945 and 0915
 Reference Doc 7J.

TO BHM COM 5
FROM 39TH BOMB GP DURAND

FINAL MISSION REPORT (A) DUR-70 4B-71st Sq 8R-405th Sq (B) CONVOY LAE HARBOR

(C) 0810L/8 and 0825 3900 and 1300 (D) ALL BOMBS NOT OBSERVED DUE TO FIGHTER

INTERCEPTION. BELIEVE ONE HIT ON BOW OF TRANSPORT CONFIRMED BY ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ ^{Transport in Jetty Area Believed Sunk by 1st Flight Subsequent}
A TRAILING PLANK. THREE PLANES BOMBED SUPPLY DUMPS ALONG SHORE NEAR JETTY. ^{Flight 3rd}
^{Moving Out from Jetty Area Ship roll over} on side.

LARGE FIRE STARTED GIVING OFF WHITE SMOKE AND LARGE PLAME (E) HEAVY LIGHT

INACCURATE ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ (F) 15-20 ENEMY FIGHTERS

SIGHTED. WHAT APPEARED TO BE NAU TYPE INCLUDED NUMBER UNDETERMINED. INDIVIDUAL
ATTACKS FROM ABOVE AND ASTERN MADE BY FIGHTERS. NO EVASIVE ACTION TAKEN. FIVE
ENEMY DESTROYED ALL CONFIRMED. TWO POSSIBLY DESTROYED ONE DAMAGED (H) NIL

(I) BOMBING RUNS ON CONVOY (J) TWO TRANSPORTS ~~XXXXX~~ PARALLEL TO SHORE IN JETTY
AREA ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~. ONE TRANSPORT MOVING OUT FROM JETTY AREA
ABOUT ONE MILE TO TWO MILES OFF SHORE. ONE U/I SHIP ABOUT FIVE MILES OUT WITH
DECKS AWASH AND GIVING OFF HEAVY BLACK SMOKE OBJECTS THAT COULD HAVE BEEN BARGES
OR DEBRIS SEEN AROUND SHIP. THREE SHIPS WELL OUT IN HARBOR THOUGHT TO BE NAVAL
VESSELS. TWO NAVAL VESSELS SIGHTED ABOUT TEN MILES SE OF LAE NEAR SHORE. (K)
SCATTERED CLOUDS AT 1500 ft WEATHER CLOSING IN FROM SEA. (L) 20-30 BARGES
SIGHTED IN HARBOR AND ALONG BEACH APPEARED TO BE UNLOADING SHIPS. U/I PLANES ON
S SIDE AND E END OF RUNWAY NUMBER UNDETERMINED. (M) 62X500 DEMO INST. 1940-500AL
22X30 CAL AT AIRCRAFT AND DECK STRAPPING.

65-V-HJ NR2

T A-3 BOMUCH 5 2 HJ

OBS IMMEDIATE 081150/L

8-1-43

DUR-7J

on this report

FINAL MISSION REPORT (A) DUR - 7J AB - 71ST SQ BR - 405TH SQ (B) CONVOY LAE HARBOR (C) 0810L/S AND 0825 3900 AND 4300 (D) ALL ~~REVEK~~/ BOMBS NOT OBSERVED DUE TO FIGHTER INTERCEPTION. TRANSPORT IN JETTY AREA BELIEVED SUNK BY 1ST FLIGHT. SUBSQ/// SUBSEQUENT FLIGHT SAW SHIP ROLL OVER ON SIDE. RELIEVE ONE HIT ON BOW OF TRANSPORT MOVING OUT OF JETTY AREA CONV// CONFIRMED BY A TRAILING PLANE. THREE PLANES BOMBED SUPPLY DUMPS ALONG SHORE NEAR JETTY. LARGE FIRE STARTED GIVING OFF WHITE SMOKE AND LARGE PLANE (E) HEAVY LIGHT INACCURATE (F) 15 - 20 ENEMY FIGHTERS SIGHTED. WHAT APPEARED TO BE MATE TYPE INCLUDED NUMBER UNDETERMINED. INDIVIDUAL ATTACKS FROM ABOVE AND ASTERN MADE BY FIGHTERS. NO EVASIVE ACTION TAKEN. FIVE ZEMES DESTROYED ALL CONFIRMED. TWO POSSIBLY DESTROYED ONE DAMAGED (H) MIL (I) BOMBING RUNS ON CONVOY K/// (J) /// (J) TWO TRANSPORTS PARALLEL TOSHORE IN JETTY AREA ONE TRANSPORT MOVING OUT FROM JETTY AREA ABOUT ONE TO TWO MILES OFF SHORE. ONE SHIP ABOUT FIVE MILES WITH DECKS AWASH AND GIVING OFF HEAVY BLACK SMOKE OBJECTS THAT COULD HAVE BEEN BARGES OR DEBRIS SEEN AROUND SHIP. THREE SHIPS WELL OUT IN HARBOR THOUGHT TO BE NAVAL VESSELS. TWO NAVAL VESSELS SIGHTED ABOUT TEN MILES SE OF LAE NEAR SHORE. (K) SCATTERED CLOUDS AT 1800 FT. WEATHER CLOSING IN FROM SEA. (L) 20-30 BARGES SIGHTED IN HARBOR AND ALONG BEACH APPEARED TO BE UNLOADING SHIPS. U/I PLANES ON S SIDE AND E SIDE OF RUNWAY NUMBER UNDETERMINED. (M) 62/300 BOMB. INST. 1346/30 CAL. 225/30 CAL. AT AIRCRAFT AND DECK STRAFFING. YOS.... 081207/L RHP VA CD R NR 2 LAT VA

Easy Fildorden 7-Q.

J V CD NR5
081218/L OPERATIONAL PRIORITY
TO: 38 BG DURAND

BC316
FRAG. F. O. NO: 7-Q
MISSION NO. : 7-Q
MAPS : NEW GUINEA - LAE LOCALITY.
1A1 : ENEMY CONVOY IN LAE HARBOR.
1A2 : E/F ON DROME AT LAE.

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1B1 : NO CHANGE.
1B2 : COORDINATED ATTACK 5 B-26'S, A-20'S, BEAUFIGHTERS AND P-38'S.
1C : OBTAIN AT FIELD.
2 : STRIKE
3 : 2 SQDNS. B-25'S, ATTACK ENEMY LANDING FORCE AT LAE. COORDINATED WITH B-26, A-20, BEAUFIGHTERS. T.O. ON COMMAND 5TH BOM COM. ASSEMBLE WITH B-26'S. FLY OVER LALOKI, CIRCLE WARDS, AND KILA - PROCEED TO TARGET. 1ST PRIORITY TRANSPORTS
2ND PRIORITY STORES AND DOCKS.

X1 : 8 X 300 LB INST FUZE.
X 2 : MAKE PRELIMINARY REPORT TO A-2 BOM COM
4 : NO CHANGE.
5 : NO CHANGE.
COMBOMCOM 5

TOS....081237/L LEW GA
JXX/ HJ R NR5 RHP VA

8 Jan 43

Mission - 7Q attack Enemy Landing Force at Lae.

727-71st

P-McCutcheon, R. H. Maj.

CP-Pagano, N. M. 2nd Lt.

N-McCormack, K. V. 2nd Lt.

B-Hoodfellow, P. M. 2nd Lt.

E-Williamson, R. L. Corp.

R-Lewis, W. O. Sgt.

G-King, K. J. Sgt.

710-71st

P-Torrey, W. L. 1st Lt.

CP-Roberson, R. K. 2nd Lt.

N-Hessman, E. M. 2nd Lt.

B-Craig, J. W. 2nd Lt.

E-Hidemann, R. J. Corp.

R-Kotlich, H. A. S/Sgt.

G-Lane, P. R. Corp.

904-71st

P-Herman, B. F. 2nd Lt.

CP-Nelson, F. E. 2nd Lt.

N-Murphy, J. A. 2nd Lt.

B-Petz, K. H. 2nd Lt.

E-Adams, H. L. Sgt.

R-Hilgen, K. T. S/Sgt.

G-Skinner, W. E. Pvt.

692-71st

P-Torrey, L. F. 1st Lt.

CP-Lewis, J. W. 2nd Lt.

N-Reichen, J. B. 2nd Lt.

B-Cowan, P. L. 2nd Lt.

E-Lemon, L. H. Corp.

R-Heibel, M. H. Corp.

G-Jungani, A. J. Corp.

908-405th

P-Herry, R. L. 1st Lt.

CP-Hoover, R. L. 2nd Lt.

N-Hammel, V. O. 2nd Lt.

B-Lehman, H. L. 2nd Lt.

E-Jenna, J. A. Sgt.

R-Anderson, H. A. Corp.

G-Grimmerman, R. J. Corp.

906-405th

P-Parlick, W. L. 2nd Lt.

CP-Mowry, F. A. 2nd Lt.

N-Page, H. L. 2nd Lt.

B-Thomas, J. E. 2nd Lt.

E-Wolff, R. B. Pvt.

R-Bunkley, T. V. Pvt.

G-Morgan, J. E. Sgt.

Took off at 1250/4/8 for attack on Enemy Landing Force at Lae.

Over target at 1420/4/8 returned to Base at 1505-1537-1539-1557-1603-1604.

Refers to - 7Q.

8 Jan 43

Mission 7-Q attack Enemy Landing Force at Lae.

898-405th

P-Gray, W. M. 2nd Lt.

CP-Lake, Jr. W. F. 2nd Lt.

N-McWilliams, J. H. 2nd Lt.

B-Miles, O. E. 2nd Lt.

E-Craig, V. C. Corp.

R-Cole, J. A. Corp.

G-Ellen, W. H. S/Sgt.

938-405th

P-Mondelli, J. J. 1st Lt.

CP-Hamach, Maj.

N-Hyler, C. W. 2nd Lt.

B-Murphy, Jr. R. 2nd Lt.

E-Amos, J. P. Pvt.

R-Harrison, A. C. Corp.

G-Bressi, C. P. Pvt. 1st.

905-405th

P-Woods, W. H. 1st Lt.

CP-Towne, R. W. 2nd Lt.

N-Largi, R. E. 2nd Lt.

B-Beckler, F. M. 2nd Lt.

E-Dunbar, C. F. Pvt.

R-Brass, J. W. Corp.

G-Smith, E. L. Pvt.

899-405th

P-Darby, F. H. 2nd Lt.

CP-Adkins, E. W. 2nd Lt.

N-Chelbell, W. E. 1st Lt.

B-Foley, Jr. M. 2nd Lt.

E-Bybee, D. E. Pvt.

R-Bepko, J. Corp.

G-Franklin, J. R. Sgt.

Took off at 1250/4/8 for attack on Enemy Landing Force at Lae.

Over target at 1425/4/8 returned to Base at 1557, 1605, 1645-1600.

Reference Doc-7 Q.

File

TO A-2 BOM COM 5
FROM 384th BOMB GP DURAID

FINAL MISSION REPORT (A) DUR-7Q 4R-71st Sq 6R-405th Sq (B) CONVOY LAE HARBOR
(C) 1420L/8 and 1425L 3400 and 4800 (D) FIRST FLIGHT DROPPED 2X300 THAT APPEARED
TO HIT WITHIN ~~100~~ 100 YD RADIUS OF ONE OF TRANSPORTS IN JETTY AREA 7X300 ALONG
BEACH 1X300 NEAR BARGE UNLOADING ABOVE MENTIONED TRANSPORT. THREE PLANES OF SECOND
FLIGHT DROPPED 24X300 ACROSS DOCKED TRANSPORT IN JETTY AREA HITS OBSERVED BY
FOLLOWING PLANE 2X300 SALVAGED DUE TO ELECTRICAL TROUBLE 2X300 FELL IN SMALL
BUILDINGS ADJOINING JETTY STARTING FIRE. TWO PLANES RETURNED BEFORE REACHING
TARGET DUE TO ENGINE TROUBLE. (E) HEAVY LIGHT OPERATIC (F) APPROXIMATELY 13
ZEPES (G) INDIVIDUAL ATTACKS FROM ALL SIDES AND BELLY. THE JAPS WERE DEFINATELY
EAGER. DIVED LOW OVER WATER WITH FULL THROTTLE. TOP GUNNER ON 710 SHOT DOWN ZEP
OFF TAIL OF PLANE WAS SEEN TO FALL OUT OF CONTROL AND DIVE INTO WATER. TOP TURRETT
GUNNER ON 692 FIRED INTO COCKPIT OF ZEP AS IT PASSED OVER IN INVERTED POSITION
FIRE WAS SEEN COMING FROM COCKPIT AND PILOT WAS HALF WAY OUT OF COCKPIT WHEN
VIEW WAS OBSCURED. TOP TURRETT GUNNER ON 908 SHOT DOWN ZEP IT WAS SEEN TO FALL
INTO WATER. WITNESSED BY FOLLOWING PLANE. (H) ONE PLANE HAD REAR TURRETT SHOT AWAY.
THREE OTHERS RECEIVED A/A HOLES DAMAGE SLIGHT (I) BOMBING RUNS (J) ONE BARGE SEEN
BURNING FOLLOWING BEAUFIGHTER RUN. 4-5 POWER BARGES OPERATING BETWEEN SHIPS IN
HARBOR AND SHORE (K) WEATHER BAD OVER MOUNTAINS FAIR OVER TARGET AND SCATTERED
CLOUDS (L) SIX ZEPES SEEN TAKING OFF LAE DRONE AND HEADED SE. (M) 64X300 DEMO
INST 1160X50 CAL 310X30 CAL AT ENEMY AIRCRAFT AND DECK STRAFFING.

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Mission Report

TO A-2 BOMBING
 FROM 36TH BOMB GR DURAND

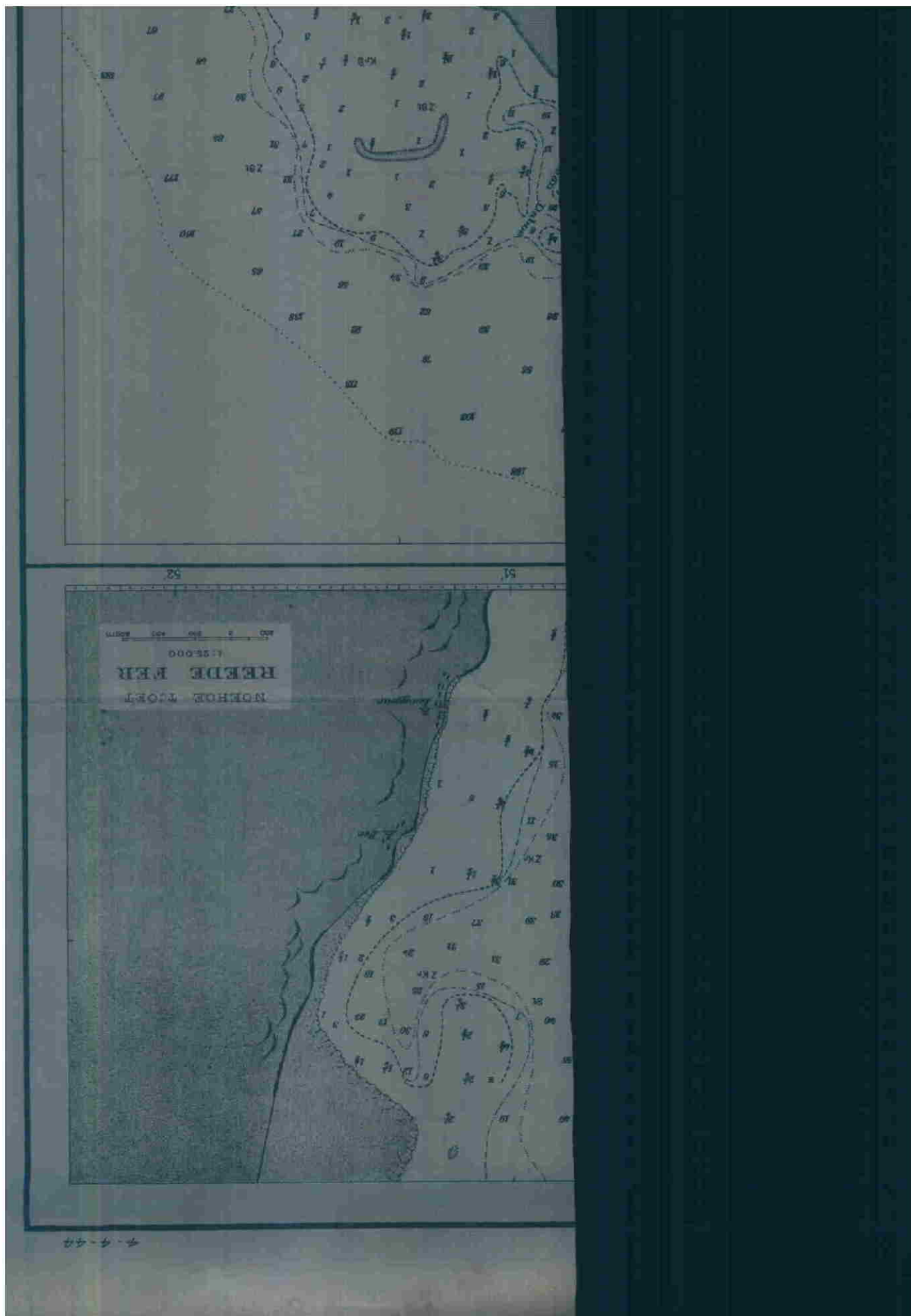
8-1-43 DUR-70

FINAL MISSION REPORT (A) DUR -70 42-71ST SQ GR-405TH SQ (B) CONVOY LAE HARBOR (C) 1420L/S AND 1435L 3400 AND 4800 (D) FIRST FLIGHT DROPPED 8X300 THAT APPEARED TO HIT WITHIN 100 YD RADIUS OF ONE OF TRANSPORTS IN JETTY AREA 7X300 ALONG BEACH 1X300 NEAR BARGE UNLOADING ABOVE MENTIONED TRANSPORT. THREE PLANES OF SECOND FLIGHT DROPPED 24X300 ACROSS DOCKED TRANSPORT IN JETTY ARE HITS OBSERVED BY FOLLOWING PLANE 8X300 SALVOED DUE ELECTRICAL TROUBLE 8X300 FELL IN SMALL BUILDINGS ADJOINING JETTY STARTING FIRE. TWO PLANES RETURNED BEFORE REACHING TARGET DUE TO ENGINE TROUBLE. (E) HEAVY LIGHT SPORADIC (F) APPROXIMATELY 13 ZEKES (G) INDIVIDUAL ATTACKS FROM ALL SIDES AND BELLY. THE JAPS WERE F// DEFINITELY EAGER. DIVED LOW OVER WATER WITH FULL THROTTLE. TOP GUNNER ON 710 SHOT DOWN ZEKE OFF TAIL OF PLANE WAS SEEN TO FALL OUT OF CONTROL AND DIVE INTO WATER. R// TOP TURRETT GUNNER ON 692 FIRED INTO COCKPIT OF ZEKE AS IT PASSED OVER IN INVERTED POSITION FIRE WAS SEEN COMING FROM COCKPIT AND PILOT WAS HALF WAY OUT OF COCKPIT WHEN VIEW WAS OBSCURED. E

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TOS 051930/L EEE VA

LAST WD 4TH FROM LAST LINE IS "MOUNTAINS" RPT "MOUNTAINS". GA
 XX CD R NR 4 LAT VA



9 Jan 43 9 Jan 43

Mission - 8H Shipping and Supply Dumps Lee

727-71st

904-71st

692-71st

P-McCuthren, P.H. Maj.	P-Ashley, W.Y. 2nd Lt.	P-Tanberg, L.F. 1st Lt.
CP-Houffels, E.J. 2nd Lt.	CP-Hopkins, D.L. 2nd Lt.	CP-Lewis, J.W. 2nd Lt.
N-Weatherall, L.J. 2nd Lt.	N-McMillan, P.R. 2nd Lt.	N-Reiber, J.B. 2nd Lt.
B-Cisley, F.A. S/Sgt.	B-Benton, R.J. 2nd Lt.	B-Carr, P.L. 2nd Lt.
E-Shaw, C.E. Corp.	E-Remillard, O.C. Corp.	E-Lemon, L.H. Corp.
R-Johnson, F.L. S/Sgt.	R-Libbatts, N.F. T/Sgt.	R-Heibel, M.P. Corp.
G-Farley, N.C. S/Sgt.	G-Foster, H.H. Plt.	G-Jungas, A.J. Corp.

895-71st

700-71st

710-71st

P-Lammann, C.C. 1st Lt.	P-Dunne, E. 2nd Lt.	P-Pagano, N.M. 2nd Lt.
CP-Bryant, D.C. 2nd Lt.	CP-Brody, R.J. 2nd Lt.	CP-Lushy, J.J. 2nd Lt.
N-Duce, F.W. 2nd Lt.	N-Schmitt, C.F. 2nd Lt.	N-Kessman, R.V. 2nd Lt.
B-Carlson, A.F. 2nd Lt.	B-Shank, W.P. 2nd Lt.	B-Hoodfellow, P.M. 2nd Lt.
E-Beall, A.H. Plt. 1st.	E-Auston, E.L. Corp.	E-Williamson, R.L. Corp.
R-Courtenay, C.M. Corp.	R-Steel, A.A. Corp.	R-Lewis, W.O. Sgt.
G-Daniels, A.M. Corp.	G-Cooper, J.H. Corp.	G-King, K.J. Sgt.

Took off at 0645/4/9. Shipping and supply dumps Lee, over
target at
returned base at 0935/4/9.

Reference Plan - 8H

9 Jan 48
Mission - 8H Shipping and Supply Dump for

906-405th

908-405th

899-405th

P- Cheli, R. Capt.	P- Henry, R. L. 1st Lt.	P- Hay, W. M. 2nd Lt.
CP- McCoskie, A. 2nd Lt.	CP- Groves, R. L. 2nd Lt.	CP- Lake, Jr. W. F. 2nd Lt.
N- Johnson, J. M. 2nd Lt.	N- Lammell, V. O. 2nd Lt.	N- McKilliams, J. K. 2nd Lt.
B- Kaelin, V. H. 2nd Lt.	B- Scherer, H. J. 2nd Lt.	B- Miles, O. E. 2nd Lt.
E- Burdick, J. T. T/Sgt.	E- Jensen, J. A. Sgt.	E- Craig, V. C. Corp.
R- Cochran, J. K. Corp.	R- Anderson, H. A. Corp.	R- Cole, J. A. Corp.
G- Murphy, C. H. S/Sgt.	G- Zimmerman, R. J. Corp.	G- Ester, W. K. S/Sgt.

905-405th

938-405th

902-405th

P- Brandon, W. D. 2nd Lt.	P- Pavlick, W. L. 2nd Lt.	P- Watkins, J. P. 1st Lt.
CP- Lockman, B. 2nd Lt.	CP- Morley, F. A. 2nd Lt.	CP- Poreyan, J. M. 2nd Lt.
N- Wright, E. W. 2nd Lt.	N- Page, H. L. 2nd Lt.	N- Tudyman, A. 2nd Lt.
B- Curtis, H. A. 2nd Lt.	B- Thomas, J. C. 2nd Lt.	B- Hay, H. H. S/Sgt.
E- Brubaker, R. A. Corp.	E- Wolff, R. B. Pvt.	E-
R- Amador, C. P. S/Sgt.	R- Buckley, T. V. Pvt.	R- Carlsen, H. V. Pvt.
G- Allen, A. L. S/Sgt.	G- Morgan, J. E. Sgt.	G- Cooley, S. W. Corp.

Took off at 0650/2/9. Shipping and Supply Dump for. Over
target at

returned base at 0940, - 0940, - 0940, -
0940, - 0940, - 0954.

Reference Dms - 8H

TO A-2 BOM COM 5
FROM 38TH BOMB GP DURAND

FINAL MISSION REPORT (A) DUR-CH 6R- 71st SQ 6R- 405th SQ (B) SHIPPING
AND SUPPLY DUMPS LAE (C) 0820L/9 3900 - 4300 FT (D) HITS SCORED ON BEACHED
TRANSPORT AT VOOG POINT CAUSING LARGE FIRE. BOMBS DROPPED IN WOODS AND ALONG
BEACH IN JETTY AREA.. FIRE GIVING OFF WHITE SMOKE STARTED IN WOODS ON
VOOG POINT. (E) VERY LITTLE A/A OF ANY KIND. LIGHT A/A SIGHTED TO COME
FROM S SIDE OF E END OF STRIP. (F) 4 ZEKES SIGHTED. 4 INDIVIDUAL HALF
HEARTED ATTACKS MADE DURING AND IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING BOMB RUNS OVER LAE
HARBOUR (G) 2 STERN ATTACKS ONE BEING FROM ABOVE OTHER FROM 5 O'CLOCK.
ONE 3 O'CLOCK ATTACK AND ONE BELLY ATTACK. NO EVASIVE ACTION TAKEN.
TOP TURRET GUNNER ON 710 GOT HITS ON ZEKE COMING IN FROM 5 O'CLOCK.
DIVED AWAY GIVING OFF TRAILING WHITE SMOKE. (H) NIL (I) BOMB HITS AND
BADEN BAY. (J) 2 LARGE FIRES GIVING OFF INTENSE BLACK SMOKE SIGHTED ON
SHORE NEAR BEACHED SHIP AT VOOG POINT. OFF END OF RUNWAY A BARGE WAS
SEEN BURNING ON BEACH. SUPPLIES WITH YELLOW WRAPPINGS SIGHTED NEAR ^{BURNING BARGE.} ~~beaching~~
YELLOW OBJECTS SIGHTED IN HARBOUR NEAR REEF,
MAYBE// COULD HAVE BEEN CHANNEL MARKERS. ONE CREW REPORTS SHIP LYING ON
SIDE JUST S OF EXTENSION OF RUNWAY. 2 NAVAL VESSELS SIGHTED AMONG ISLANDS
APPROXIMATELY 4 MILES N OF LASANGA ISLAND. FEW BURSTS OF HEAVY INACCURATE
A/A RECEIVED FROM SHIPS. 8 BARGES SIGHTED IN BADEN BAY ALSO 3 FLOAT
PLANES NEAR REEF JUST ONSIDE OF BAY. APPROXIMATELY 8 NATIVE TYPE
HUTS OBSERVED ALONG BEACH. (K) BROKEN CLOUDS FROM 3400 - 4500 FT
OVER TARGET. (L) THE SHORE LINE IN VICINITY OF BEACHED SHIP WAS
AFIRE GIVING OFF INTENSE BLACK AND WHITE SMOKE EXTENDING TO 2000 FT.
THESE FIRES BELIEVED FIRST STARTED BY D-26'S (M) 86 X 300 DEMO INST.
350 X 50 CAL 415 X 30 CAL AT A/C.

CD V HJ NR1
 ZPZ T A-2 5 BOMCOM Z HJ
 OPS IMMEDIATE 091205/L

Recd 1225/469-1-43
 DUR-8H *Mission Report*

FINAL MISSION REPORT

9-1-43

- (A) DUR-8H 6R 71ST SQ 6R 405TH SQ
- (B) SHIPPING AND SUPPLY DUMPS LAE
- (C) 0820L/9 3900 - 4300 FT
- (D) HITS SCORED ON BEACHED TRANSPORT AT VOCO POINT CAUSING LARGE FIRE. BOMBS DROPPED IN WOODS AND ALONG BEACH IN JETTY ARE. FIRE GIVING OFF WHITE SMOKE STARTED IN WOODS ON VOCO POINT.
- (E) VERY LITTLE A/A OF ANY KIND. LIGHT A/A SIGHTED TO COME FROM S SIDE OF E END OF STRIP.
- (F) 4 ZEKES SG// SIGHTED. 4 INDIVIDUAL HALF HEARTED ATTACKS MADE DURING AND IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING BOMB RUNS OVER LAE HARBOUR
- (G) 2 STERN ATTACKS ONE BEING FROM ABOVE OTHER FROM 5 O'CLOCK. ONE 3 O'CLOCK ATTACK AND ONE BELLY ATTACK. NO EVASIC/// EVASIVE ACTION TAKEN. TOP TURRET GUNNER ON 710 GOT HITS ON ZEKE COMING IN FROM 5 O'CLOCK. DIVED AWAY GIVING OFF TRAILING WHITE SMOKE.
- (H) NIL
- (I) BOMB HITS AND BADEN BAY.
- (J) 2 LARGE FIRES GIVING OFF INTENSE BLACK SMOKE SIGHTED ON SHORE NEAR BEACHED SHIP AT VOCO POINT. OFF END OF RUNWAY A BARGE WAS SEEN BURNING ON BEACH. SUPL// SUPPLIES WITH YELLOW WRAPPINGS SIGHTED NEAR BURNING BARGE. YELLOW OBJECTS C// SIGHTED IN HARBOUR NEAR REEF COULD HAVE BEEN CHANNEL MARKERS. ONE CREW REPORTS SHIP LYING ON SIDEJUST S OF EC// EXTENSION OF RUNWAY. 2 NAVAL VESSELS SIGHTED AMONG ISLANDS APPROXIMATELY 4 MILES N OF LASANGA ISLAND. FEW BURSTS OF HEAVY INACCURATE A/A RECIEVED FROM SHIPS. 3 BARGES SIGHTED IN BADEN BAY ALSO 3 FLOAT PLANES NEAR REEF JUST OUTSIDE OF BAY. APPROXIMATELY 8 NATIVE TYPE HUTS OBSERVED ALONG BEACH. (///
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- (L) THE SHORE LINE IN VICINITY OF BEACHED SHIP WAS AFIRE GIVING OFF INTENSE BLACK AND WHITE SMOKE EXTENDING TO 2000 FT. THESE FIRES BELIEVED FIRST STARTED BY B-26'S
- (M) 86 X 300 DEMO INST. 350 X 50 CAL 415 X 30 CAL AT A/C.

TOS 091222/L RHPVA
 CD NR 1 R JGH VA

Fr Field Order

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L OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

TO 36TH BOMB GROUP BURNIA// DURAND
FROM BOM COM 5

DC387

FRAG. F. O. NO 8-M

MISSION NO. 8-M

MAPS USUAL

1A1 ENEMY CONVOY LEFT LAE TRAVELING EAST MORING OF 9/1.

1A2 NO CHANGE

1B1 NO CHANGE

1B2 B-26S WILL FOLLOW B-25S. P-38S PROVIDE TOP COVER.

1C OBTAIN AT DURAND

2 STRIKE

3 ALL RXXX AVAILABLE B-25S ATTACK ENEMY CONVOY LAST REPORTED 0645S
14530E COURSE 90 SPEED 10 KNOTS AT 1100/L.

X1 8 X 300 LB INST.

X2 RELOAD AND REFUEL.

4 NIL

5 NOTIFY RESULTS BY RADIO. FIGHTER CALL SHUCKS. BOMBER CALL
PEANUTS.

COMBOMCOM 5

TOO 1215/L/D

TOX 091307/L

SGS VA

~~SGS 1215/L/D~~

H/T R NR 6 RHP VA

9 Jan 49

Mission - 8M Enemy Shipping Finerhafen

returned: Engine trouble

898-405th906-405th938-405th

P- Henry, R. L. 1st Lt.	P- Woods, W. H. 1st Lt.	P- Mondelli, L. F. 1st Lt.
CP- Grover, R. L. 2nd Lt.	CP- Towne, R. W. 2nd Lt.	CP- Latham, R. R. 2nd Lt.
N- Hammel, V. O. 2nd Lt.	N- Lanyi, R. C. 2nd Lt.	N- Styles, C. W. 2nd Lt.
B- Scheerer, N. L. 2nd Lt.	B- Bechler, F. W. 2nd Lt.	B- Munnings, R. 2nd Lt.
E- Jensen, J. A. Sgt.	E- Imbler, C. F. Pvt.	E- Amos, J. P. Pvt.
R- Anderson, H. A. Corp.	R- Bises, J. W. Corp.	R- Hawking, L. C. Corp.
G- Zimmerman, R. J. Corp.	G- Smith, C. L. Pvt.	G- Bressi, C. P. Pvt. 1st.

905-405th899-405thOrdered back by F/L
909-405th

P- Brandon, W. P. 2nd Lt.	P- Darby, F. H. 2nd Lt.	P- Pavlich, W. L. 2nd Lt.
CP- Luckness, B. 2nd Lt.	CP- Adkins, E. W. 2nd Lt.	CP- Murray, F. A. 2nd Lt.
N- Wright, E. W. 2nd Lt.	N- Threlkeld, W. E. 1st Lt.	N- Page, H. L. 2nd Lt.
B- Curtis, H. A. 2nd Lt.	B- Fody, Jr., M. 2nd Lt.	B- Thomas, J. C. 2nd Lt.
E- Bamberger, D. A. Corp.	E- Bybee, D. E. Pvt.	E- Wolff, R. B. Pvt.
R- Amador, C. P. S/Sgt.	R- Befko, L. J. Corp.	R- Burkley, R. W. Pvt.
G- Allen, A. V. S/Sgt.	G- Franklin, J. R. Sgt.	G- Morgan, J. E. Sgt.

Took off at 1233/4/9. Target Enemy shipping at Lae, over target at 1330/4/9 returned to Base at 1305-1520-7543, -1521, Reference Doc-8M. 1518-7309.

9 Jan 43

Mission - 8M Enemy shipping Finerhafen

895-71st

908-405th

904-71st

P - Lawrence, C. C. 1st Lt.	P - Middlebrook, H. 2nd Lt.	P - Herman, B. F. 2nd Lt.
CP - Bryant, D. C. 2nd Lt.	CP - Hosen, W. F. 2nd Lt.	CP - Nelson, F. E. 2nd Lt.
N - Rice, F. W. 2nd Lt.	N - Moffett, E. D. 2nd Lt.	N - Murphy, J. A. 2nd Lt.
B - Carlin, A. F. 2nd Lt.	B - Perry, T. D. 2nd Lt.	B - Petty, K. H. 2nd Lt.
E - Beall, A. H. 1st Lt.	E - Happe, H. A. S/Sgt.	E - Adams, H. L. Sgt.
R - Courtenay, E. M. Corp.	R - Lillard, R. J. Corp.	R - Hilgen, K. T. S/Sgt.
G - Daniels, A. M. Corp.	G - Cummings, R. L. Corp.	G - Skinner, W. E. Pvt.

710-71st

Returned Engine Trouble
- 700-71st

Ordered back by G/H
692-71st

P - Farver, W. L. 1st Lt.	P - Durrie, E. 2nd Lt.	P - Paquin, H. M. 2nd Lt.
CP - Bohannon, R. K. 2nd Lt.	CP - Brady, B. J. 2nd Lt.	CP - Eubank, J. J. 2nd Lt.
N - Henniss, E. M. 2nd Lt.	N - Schmitt, C. F. 2nd Lt.	N - Newman, K. H. 2nd Lt.
B - Craig, J. W. 2nd Lt.	B - Shank, W. R. 2nd Lt.	B - Goodfellow, P. M. 2nd Lt.
E - Hiddeman, R. J. Corp.	E - Norton, E. L. Corp.	E - Williamson, R. L. Corp.
R - Kosterch, H. A. S/Sgt.	R - Steele, A. A. Corp.	R - Lewis, W. O. Sgt.
G - Lane, P. R. Corp.	G - Cooper, J. H. Corp.	G - King, K. J. Sgt.

Took off at 1239/4/9 target Enemy shipping at Lae, once target
at 1415/4/9 returned to Base at 1522, -1520, -1512, -1523, -

Reference Base - 8M.

1326, -1337

TO A-2 BOMCOM

36 BG DURAND

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FINAL MISSION REPORT. (A) 8M 5R- 7L 8Q 7R 405 8Q. (B) ENEMY CONVOY BETWEEN
FINCHHAVEN AND GASMATA. (C) 1330L/9- 1415L 1000-5000FT. (D) NIL SIGHTINGS.
(L) 4 PLANES RETURNED TO BASE BEFORE CROSSING PASS. 2 DEVELOPED ENGINE
TROUBLE. 2 WERE ORDERED TO RETURN BY FLIGHT LEADERS. AREA PATROLLED FROM
CAPE WARD HUNT ACROSS HUON GULF TO POSITION OFF FINCHHAVEN FROM WHICH ANAWA
WAS SIGHTED. LARGE CIRCLE MADE RETURNING TO CAPE WARD HUNT. (M) SCATTERED
THUNDERSTORMS. WEATHER EXTREMELY BAD THROUGHOUT ENTIRE AREA SEARCHED.

CD V HJ NR 4
091654/L OPS IMMEDIATE

TO A-2 BOMB COM
FROM 38 BG DURAND

FINAL MISSION REPORT. DUR-8M 5RA70 SQ 7R 405 SQ . (B) ENEMY CONVOY
BETWEEN FINCHHAVEN AND GASMATA. (C) 1330L/9- 1415L 1000-5000 FT. (D)
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ENTIRE AREA SEARCHED.

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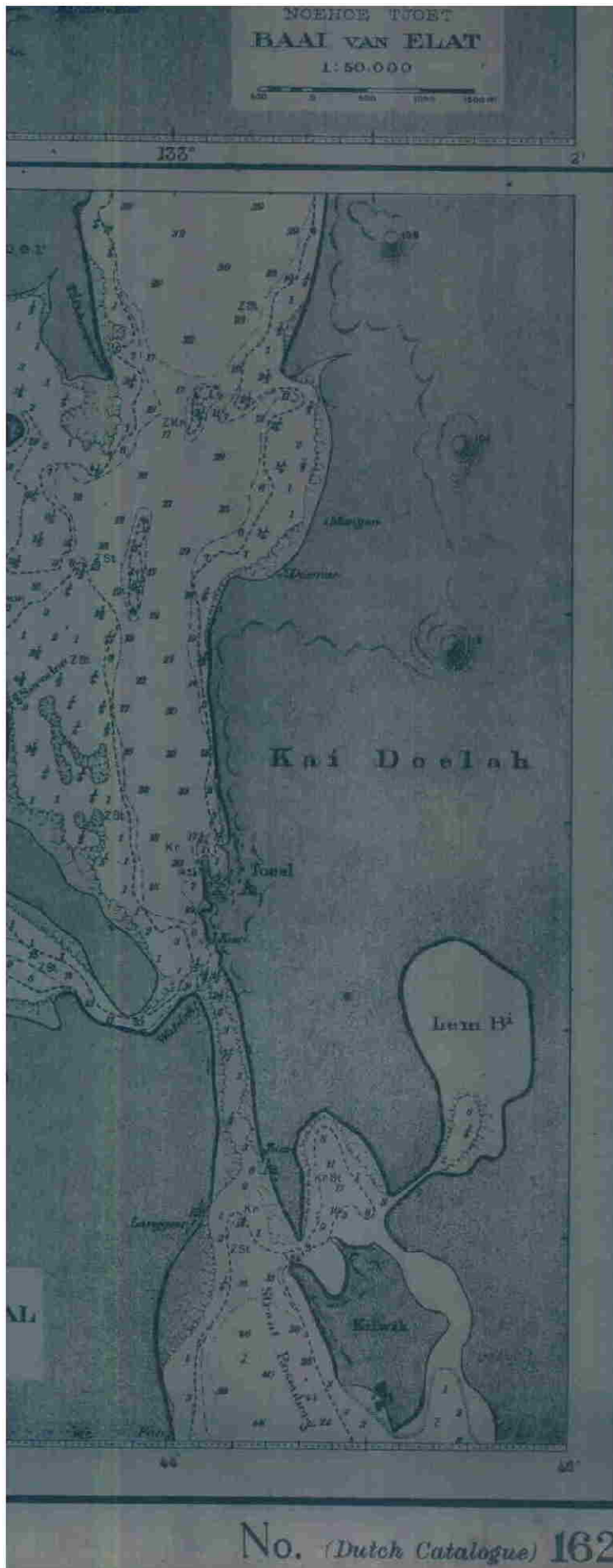
Recd 19 7/2/9 mission Report
CD 43 NJ HERE HAVE A CORRECTION IN THAT LAST ONE THAT I SENT TO YOU
CORR: NR 4 TO CD
6TH LINE SHOULD START READING 8///" OFF MINCHHAVEN FROM WHICH ETC ETC"
ACH PLS OK WILL FIX

13 Jan 43 *Mission Report*
13-1-43
DUR-121
CD V HJ NR2
OPS IMMEDIATE

TO A-8 BOMCON 5
FROM: 38TH BG BURAND

FINAL MISSION REPORT. (A) 121 GR-4058Q. (B) DOCK FACILITIES AT LAE.
(C) 1200-2300FT. (D) BOMBS LANDED ON BUILDING AND JETTIES IN DOCK AREA.
LAKE HOTEL SEEN TO EXPLODE. 5 OTHER BUILDINGS IN VICINITY OF LAKE HOTEL
SET AFIRE. JETTY NO. 120 (LAKE LOCALITY MAP) RECEIVED DIRECT HIT CAUSING
FIRE AND DENSE BLACK SMOKE. (E) HEAVY LIGHT INACCURATE. FEW BURST FROM
W END OF RUNWAY AND FEW FROM S SIDE OF E END OF RUNWAY. NO OTHER A/A
SIGHTED. (F) BOMBING RUN AND DOCK AREA. (G) 60 FT FLAT TOP BOAT
SIGHTED IN LAKE HARBOR MOVING RPA// RAPIDLY TW// TOWARDS END OF RUNWAY.
COMMENT: IF BARGE IT WAS THE LARGEST YET SIGHTED BY THIS SQ. SUPPLIES
WITH YELLOW WRAPPINGS SIGHTED ALONG BEACH AND AMONG TREES BEW// BETWEEN
BEACHED TRANSPORT AND MOUTH OF MALAHANG RIVER. (H) CLOUD LAYER BETWEEN
2500-3000 FT OTHERWISE GOOD. (I) IDEAL BOMBING CONDITIONS. NO AERIAL
OPPOSITION AND VERY LIGHT INACCURATE A/A (J) 32X300 LB DEMO INST.
3W/ 360X50 CAL 50X30 CAL STRAFFING BUILDINGS IN DOCK AREA.

TOS HJ 131551/L UGJ VA
CD R NR 2 HAS VA



Tray Field taken *0130/4/10 RJR* *File*

HJ V CD NR 1
 T HJ Z CD 092344/L OPERATIONAL PRY.
 TO 38TH BG DURAND
 BC -423
 FRAG.F.O.NO. 9-G
 MISSION NO. 9-G

MAPS USUAL MAPS AND CHARTS.
 1A1 ENEMY CONVOY WITHDRAWN FROM LAE - PROCEEDING TOWARD RABAU.
 1A2 E/F ON LAE & GASMATA DROMES.
 1B1 P-38'S TO ARRIVE LAE AT 0955 REMAIN IN AREA FOR
 DURATION OF ATTACK.
 USUAL RECCOS, FIGHTER SCREEN BUNA AREA.
 1B2 FIGHTER SCREEN BUNA.
 B-25, A-20S & BEAUFIGHTERS STRIKE LAE WITH P-38 TOP COVER.
 1C OBTAIN AT FIELD.
 2 STRIKE.
 3 1 SQDN. B-25S (38TH GP) ATTACK ENEMY A/A INSTALLATIONS
 ALONG TERRACE RIDGE NORTH EAST SIDE OF RUNWAY COORDINATED
 WITH A-20S & BEAUFIGHTERS TIME OF ATTACK 1000/L. B-25'S
 CALL BEAUFIGHTERS AND A-20'S TEN MINUTES PRIOR TO TAKE OFF.
 X1 AS DIRECTED BY GROUP - INSTANTANEOUS FUZE.
 X2 MAKE PRELIMINARY REPORT TO A-2 BOM COM
 4 NO CHANGE.
 5 USUAL FE// FREQ. BOMBERS - PEANUTS
 FIGHTERS - SHUCKS.
 BOMBER LEADER CALL "PEANUTS" OVER RADIO WHEN COMING INTO
 TARGET.

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 TOS 100129/L GRDVA
 HJ R NR1 WGJ VA

10 Jan 43

Mission - 9G, Supply Dumps and A/A positions, Lae

692-71st

P³ - Tanberg, L.F. 1st Lt.
CP - Larsen, J.M. 2nd Lt.
N - Reiber, J.B. 2nd Lt.
B - Cannon, P.L. 2nd Lt.
E - Lemon, L.H. Corp.
R - Heibel, M.P. Corp.
G - Zungaris, A.J. Corp.

710-71st

P² - Earner, W.L. 1st Lt.
CP - Robinson, R.H. 2nd Lt.
N - Morris, C.M. 2nd Lt.
B - Craig, J.W. 2nd Lt.
E - Hildeman, R.J. Corp.
R - Kotick, H.A. S/Sgt.
G - Lane, C.R. Corp.

895-71st

P⁸ - Ahlen, W.T. 2nd Lt.
CP - Hopkins, D.L. 2nd Lt.
N - McMillan, D.P. 2nd Lt.
B - Preston, R.J. 2nd Lt.
E - Remillard, O.C. Corp.
R - Schlotte, N.F. T/Sgt.
G - Sebastiani, C.A. Pvt.

736-71st

P¹¹ - Thompson, A.H. Capt.
CP - Evans, J.B. 2nd Lt.
N - Profferty, W.L. 1st Lt.
B - Birch, W.H. 2nd Lt.
E - Lefer, J.R. Corp.
R - Berry, J.T. Corp.
G - Hartman, W.W. Pvt.

727-71st

P¹² - Atkinson, C.B. 2nd Lt.
CP - Cecil, F.M. 2nd Lt.
N - Gossels, C.J. 2nd Lt.
B - Ciesley, T.A. S/Sgt.
E - Shaw, C.E. Corp.
R - Johnson, F.L. S/Sgt.
G - Farley, H.C. S/Sgt.

700-71st

P⁵ - Pagano, N.M. 2nd Lt.
CP - Forbes, H.L. 2nd Lt.
N - Messman, H.V. 2nd Lt.
B - Goodfellow, P.M. 2nd Lt.
E - Williamson, R.L. Corp.
R - Lewis, W.O. Sgt.
G - King, H.J. Sgt.

Took off at 0825/L/10. Supply dumps and A/A positions, Lae.
Over target at 0935/L/10 returned to base at 1055 - 1055 - 1106 -
Reference Run - 9G. 1055 - 1055 - 1055.

10 Jan 4

Mission - 9 G, Supply Dumps and A/A positions, Lae

903-405th

P³ - Cheli, R. Capt.
 CP - McLeske, A. 2nd Lt.
 N - Johnson, L.M. 2nd Lt.
 B - Kaelin, V.H. 2nd Lt.
 E - Burdick, J.T. T/Sgt.
 R - Cothran, J.K. Corp.
 G - Murphy, C.H. S/Sgt.

908-405th

P¹³ - Woods, W. S. 1st Lt.
 CP - Towne, R.W. 2nd Lt.
 N - Lanyi, R.C. 2nd Lt.
 B - Berken, F.M. 2nd Lt.
 E - Imber, C.F. Pvt.
 R - Brass, J.W. Corp.
 G - Smith, C.Z. Pvt.

Ordered back by F/L

905-405th

P¹⁴ - Parby, F.N. 2nd Lt.
 CP - Adkins, C.W. 2nd Lt.
 N - Duvelkeld, M.E. 1st Lt.
 B - Foddy, Jr., M. 2nd Lt.
 E - Bybee, D.E. Pvt.
 R - Byrds, L.J. Corp.
 G - Franklin, J.R. Sgt.

Returned with engine trouble

898-405th

P² - Cox, W.H. 1st Lt.
 CP - Crenworth, C. 2nd Lt.
 N - McLean, C.L. 2nd Lt.
 B - Smith, M.K. 2nd Lt.
 E - Patrick, J.J. Corp.
 R - Sullivan, Corp.
 G - Wronish, M. Corp.

909-405th

P⁴ - Watkins, J.P. 1st Lt.
 CP - Doneyson, J.M. 2nd Lt.
 N - Tedgman, A. 2nd Lt.
 B - Kemp, L.H. S/Sgt.
 E -
 R - Casbeer, H.Y. Pvt.
 G - Cooley, S.W. Corp.

899-405th

P³ - Ray, W.M. 2nd Lt.
 CP - Luke, Jr., W.F. 2nd Lt.
 N - McWilliams, J.K. 2nd Lt.
 B - Miles, O.E. 2nd Lt.
 E - Craig, V.C. Corp.
 R - Cole, J.A. Corp.
 G - Eitan, W.H. S/Sgt.

Took off at 0830/4/10. Supply dumps and A/A position, Lae.

One target at 0958/4/10. returned to Base at 1105-1105-1105-1105-

Reference Dns. 9G.

0932-0920.

38TH GP INT

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38BG DURAND

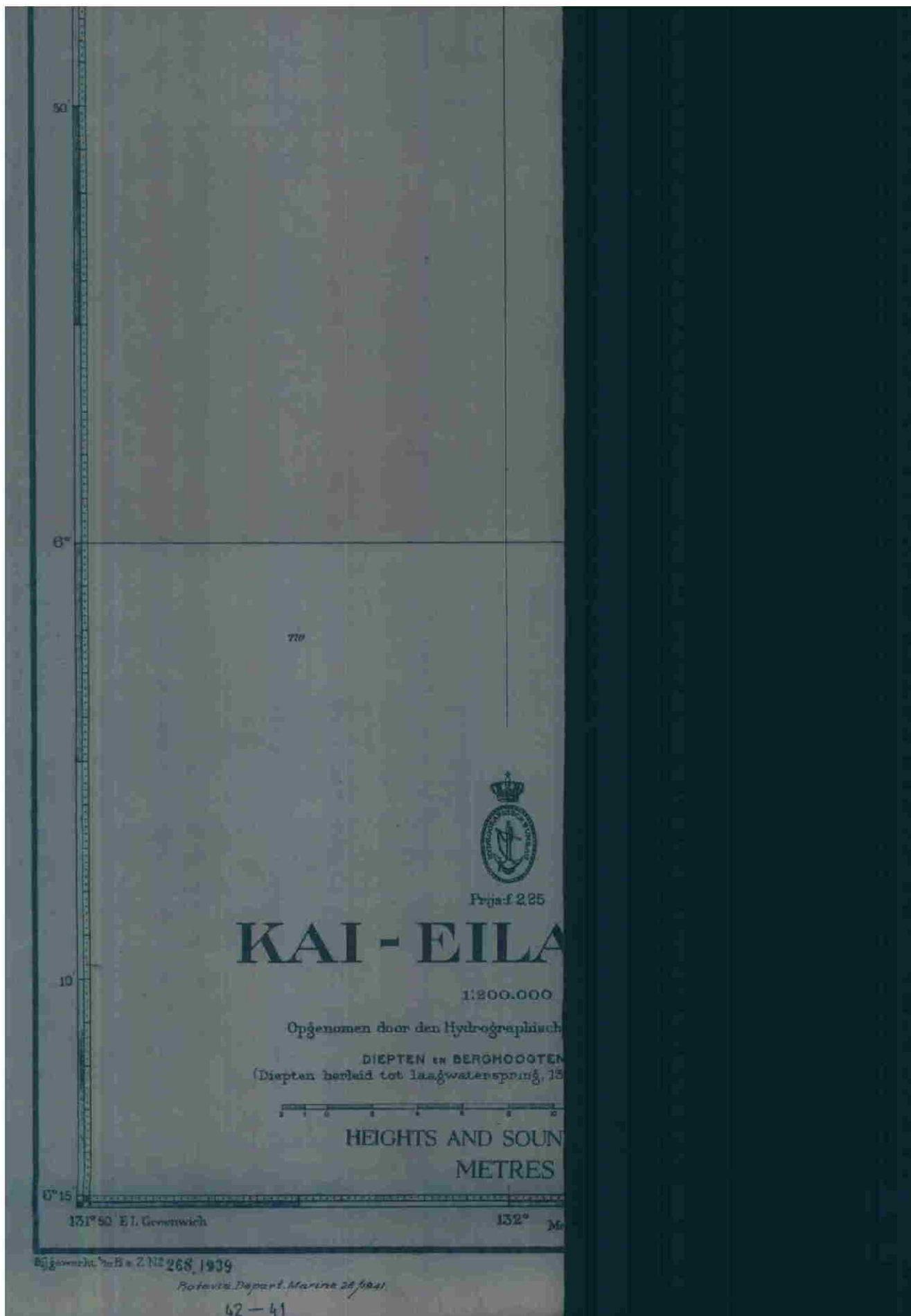
FINAL MISSION REPORT. (A) 9G 6R-7LSQ 6R-405SQ. (B) SUPPLY DUMPS AND A/A POSITIONS LAE. (C) 0955L/10 & 0958L 3300-3700. (D) 71ST FELL IN TRAIN FROM TERRACE TO DISPENSARY. 405TH NEAR BUNRS PHILIP BULK STORE AND ON BEACH SE OF JETTY AREA. 13 FELL IN WATER. BUILDING NEAR BURNS PHILIP SEEN TO EXPLODE. FIRE VISIBLE FROM ~~ZMX~~ 25MI. (E) HEAVY & LIGHT LIGHT & INACCURATE FROM POSITION 100YDS INLAND & 150YDS S OF R/W. MG FIRE FROM BUILDINGS NE END OF R/W. BOMB RUNS & BEACHED TRANSPORT. 4-5 ZEKES ON N SIDE OF E END OF R/W APPEARED SERVICEABLE. 4 P-38S SEEN ATTACKING 2 U/I PLANES BETWEEN LAE & SALAMAU. SIGHTED WHAT APPEARED TO BE BARGES AT MOUTH OF BITOI RIVER. 2 RAFTS APPROX 20FT SQ 3 MI S OF SALAMAU OFF SHORE ABOUT 7MI. NO ACTIVITY ON MALAHANG DROME. STRIP APPEARS TO HAVE RED CLAY SURFACE. (K) GOOD WITH SCATTERED STRAT AT 5000FT. BEACHED TRANSPORT GIV* ING OFF BLUE LIGHT SMOKE. APPEARED TO BE LISTING. (M) 76X300 INST DEMO. 240X50CAL STRAFFING ALONG R/W.

1-0 Jan 43 *Final Mission Report*
10-1-43 *DUR-9G*

CD V HJ NR 2
 OPERATIONAL IMMEDIATE 101230/L/1
 T A-2 BOMCON S Z HJ
 FINAL MISSION REPORT

(A) 9G V// 6R 71ST SQ 6R 405 SQ
 (B) SUPPLY BUMPS AND A/A POSITIONS LAE
 (C) 0955L/10 & 0955L 3300 - 3700
 (D) 71ST FELL IN TRAIL FROM TERRACE TO DISPENSARY. 405TH NEAR V//
 BURNS PHILIP BULK STORE AND ON BEACH SE OF JETTY AREA. 13 FELL IN
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 FROM 25 MI.
 (E) HEAVY & LIGHT LIGHT & INACCURATE FROM POSITION 100 YDS INLAND C//
 & 150 YDS S OF R/U. NO FIRE FROM BUILDINGS NE END OF R/U. BOMB
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 ING.
 (M) 76 X 300 INST DEMO. 240 X 50 CAL STRAFFING ALONG R/U.

HJ TOS 101240/L/1 HHP VA
 CD R NR 2 HBL VA 9



HJ V CD NR 1
110016/L OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

TO 38TH BOMB GP
FROM BOM COM 5

EC 469
FRAG. F. C. NO 10-3
MISSION NO. 10-3
MAPS CONA LOCALITY, 4" TO 1 MILE.

1A1 ESTIMATED 5000 TROOPS LANDED AT LAE IN RECENT LANDING OPERATION.
1A2 NO CHANGE
1B1 NO CHANGE
1B2 USUAL RECCO
1C OBTAIN AT DUA// BURANG
2 STRIKE1
3 3 B-25'S DOWN KUNAI GRASS 1// WITH OIL BOMBS IN AREA BOUNDED BY 250 AND 300 GRID LINES NORTH AND SOUTH AND 170 TO 190 GRID LINES EAST AND WEST. ATTACK BETWEEN 1000/L AND 1100/L AND AGAIN 1400/L TO 1500/L.

X1 12 X 100 LB. OIL BOMBS.
X2 RELOAD AND REFUEL
4 NIL
5 REPORT RESULTS OF FIRST ATTACK. MAY ELIMINATE SECOND ATTACK.

TGS 0052/L JNS VA
HJ R NR 1 EEX VA

155-111/43 File

11 Jan 43
Mission - 10 G
938-405th

P - Mondelli, L. L. 1st Lt.
CP - Latham, R. R. 2nd Lt.
N - Styler, C. W. 2nd Lt.
B - Mussey, Jr. R. 2nd Lt.
E - Amos, J. D. Pvt.
R - Harniss, L. C. Corp.
G - Bressi, C. P. Pvt. 1st.

908-405th

P - Woods, W. H. 1st Lt.
CP - Towne, R. W. 2nd Lt.
N - Lanyi, R. C. 2nd Lt.
B - Beckler, F. M. 2nd Lt.
E - Smiles, C. F. Pvt.
R - Bress, J. W. Corp.
G - Smith, C. H. Pvt.

903-405th

P - Paulick, W. L. 2nd Lt.
CP - Mowry, F. A. 2nd Lt.
N - Page, H. L. 2nd Lt.
B - Thomas, J. E. 2nd Lt.
E - Wolff, R. B. Pvt.
R - Burkley, T. W. Pvt.
G - Morgan, J. E. Sgt.

905-405th

P - Darby, F. H. 2nd Lt.
CP - Adkins, E. W. 2nd Lt.
N - Threlkeld, W. C. 1st Lt.
B - Fody, Jr., M. 2nd Lt.
E - Bybee, D. E. Pvt.
R - Bepko, L. J. Corp.
G - Franklin, J. P. Sgt.

Took off at 0955/L/11 mission to drop bombs to start
fires in Bonn area. Over target at 1105/L/11.
Landed at Porona at 1230/L/11 due to weather. Took off
from Porona at 1530/L/11. Landed at Dussard at
1555/L/11.
Reference Duss-10 G.

File

TO BOM COM 5 A-2

FROM 38TH BOMB GP DURAND

FINAL MISSION REPORT (A) DUR-LOG 4R- 405 SQ (B) GONA (C) 1105L/11 FROM 1800-2200 FT (D) ALL BOMBS IN TARGET AREA NUMEROUS SMALL FIRES STARTED GIVING OFF BLUE GREY SMOKE. EACH BOMB STARTED CENTRAL FIRE WITH GREAT NUMBER OF SMALL FIRES AROUND IT. (E) NIL (F) NIL (I) BOMB BURSTS AND U/I PLANE ON BUNA STRIP (J) ONE BARGE SIGHTED JUST SOUTH MOUTH OF KUMUSI RIVER. NUMEROUS BARGES NEAR SURIRAI PLANTATION BETWEEN CAPE KELLERTON AND WYE POINT. AT LEAST SEVEN APPEARED DAMAGED. TWO FIRES SIGHTED AT 205-261 (GONA LOCALITY REV.MAP) ONE U/I AIRCRAFT ON BUNA STRIP (K) STEADY RAIN OVER TARGET. CLOSED IN AT DURAND ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ UPON RETURN NECESSITATING LANDING BORONA (L) SMALLNESS OF FIRES STARTED BY BOMBS THOUGHT TO BE DUE TO HEAVY RAIN AND EXTREMELY WET GROUND. BOMBS SEEN TO TUMBLE IN DECENT MAKING ACCURACY DIFFICULT (M) 48X100 LB FIRE BOMBS.

11 Jan 43 *Recd 1710/4/11* *99A*

CD V HJ NR1//// NR 2
 OPS IMMEDIATE 111655/L
 TO BOMCOM 5 A-2 Z HJ

Mission Report

11-1-43
 DUR-10G

FINAL MISSION REPORT

(A) DUR 10G 4R 405 SQ
 (B) GONA
 (C) 1105L/11 FROM 1800 - 2200 FT
 (D) ALL BOMBS IN TARGET AREA NUMEROUS SMALL FIRES STARTED GIVING OFF BLU
 //// BLUE GREY SMOKE. EACH BOMB STARTED CENTRAL FIRE WITH GREAT
 NUMBER OF SMALL FIRES AROUND IT.
 (E) NIL
 (F) NIL
 (I) BOMB BURSTS AND U/I PLANE ON BUNA STRIP
 (J) ONE BARGE SIGHTED JUST SOUTH MOUTH OF DUMUSI RIVER. NUMEROUS BARGES
 NEAR SURIRAI PLANTATION BETWEEN CAPE KELLERTON AND VYE POINT. AT
 LEAST SEVEN APPEARED DAMAGED. TWO FIRES SIGHTED AT 205 - 261 (GONA
 LOCALITY REV. MAP) ONE U/I AIRCRAFT ON BUNA STRIP
 (K) STEADY RAIN OVER TR// TARGET. CLOSED IN AT DURAND UPON RETURN
 NECESSITATING LANDING RORONA
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 AND EXTREMELY WET GROUND. BOMBS SEEN TO TUMBLE IN DECENT MAKING
 ACCURACY DIFFICULT
 (M) 48 X 100 LB FIRE BOMBS.

HJ TOS 1116// 111704/L/1 RHP VA
 CD R NR 2 HAS VA
 H

11 Jan 43

438-77st

P- Lett, W. R. 2nd Lt.
 CP- Marks, M. M. 2nd Lt.
 N- Johnson, J. B. 2nd Lt.
 B- Barr, Gustave R., 2nd Lt.
 E- Maupin, H. C. Corp.
 R- Bokoles, T. J. T/Sgt.
 G- Holmes, W. W. Corp.

Took off at 0935/4/11 on flight
 for slow time. Returned to Base
 at 1115/4/11.

899-405th

P- Hay, W. M. 2nd Lt.
 CP- Lake, Jr. W. F. 2nd Lt.
 N- McWilliams, J. K. 2nd Lt.
 B- Miles, O. E. 2nd Lt.
 E- Cossy, V. C. Corp.
 R- Cole, J. A. Corp.
 G- Ester, W. H. S/Sgt.

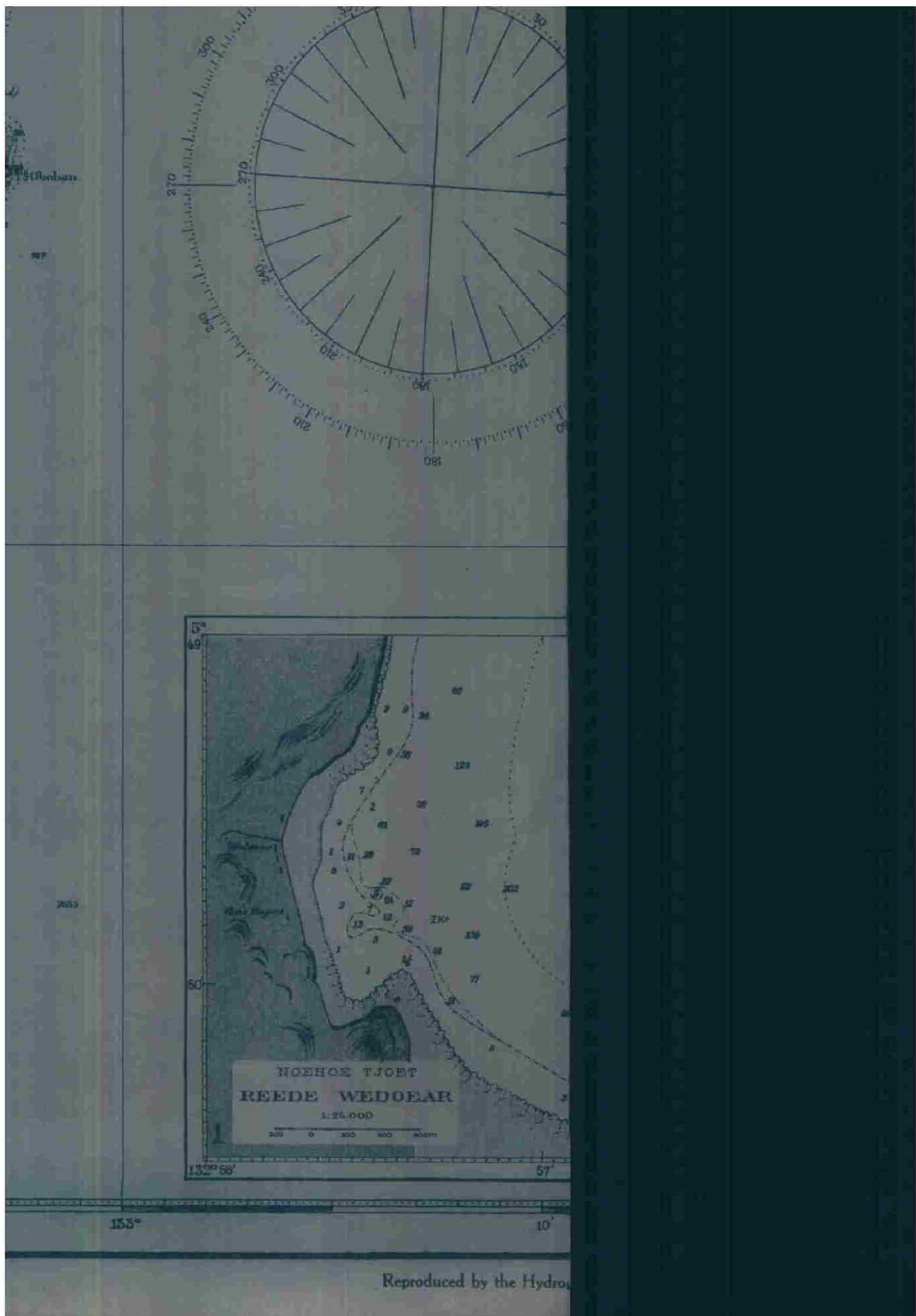
Took off at 1040/4/11 on test flight
 returned to Base at 1134/4/11.

909-405th

P- Watkins, J. P. 1st Lt.
 CP- Donegan, J. M. 2nd Lt.
 N- Eudyman, A. 2nd Lt.
 B- Hay, H. H. S/Sgt.
 E-

Took off at 1101/4/11 on test flight
 returned to Base at 1124/4/11.

R- Casebeer, N. J. Pvt.
 G- Cooley, L. W. Corp.



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HJ V CD NR 14

112124/L OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

TO 38 BG (DURAND)

DC 513

FRAG.F.O. NO 11 F

WXXX/ MISSION NO. 11 F

MAPS USUAL

1A1 37 LARGE VESSELS, 24 SMALL VESSELS RABAUH HARBOR, 1 PROBABLE
AIRCRAFT CARRIER RABAUH HARBOR.

1A2 NO INFORMATION.

1B1 NO CHANGE.

1B2 USUAL RECCOS. FIGHTER SCREEN BUNA

1C MORESBY TO LAE

PERIOD 0800L TO 2000L

RANGES-BROKEN MIDDLE CLOUDS AT 12000 FT WITH SCTD CUMULUS IN EARLY
MORNING DEVELOPING TO BROKEN ON SOUTH SLOPES BY 1000L AND BROKEN ON NORTH
SLOPES BY NOON. BASES 1-2000 FT AND TOPS GENERALLY 14-16000 FT BUILDING
TO 25000 FT IN SCTD THUNDERSHOWERS ON SOUTH SLOPES BY NOON. VISIBILITY
10-15 MILES OVER THE RANGES LOWERING TO LESS THAN 5 MILES IN SCTD
SHOWERS THROUGHOUT THE DAY BEING OCNL HEAVY SHOWERS ON SOUTH SLOPES IN
AFTERNOON WITH INSTRUMENT CONDITIONS.

OVER THE NORTH COAST-MOSTLY SCTD CUMULUS ALONG THE COAST LINE THROUGHOUT
THE DAY WITH BASES 1500-2500 FT WITH TOPS TO 10000 FT LATER IN DAY.
CLOUDINESS INCREASING TO BROKEN IN PATCHES ON INLAND RANGES WITH FEW
LIGHT SHOWERS BUT REMAINING CONTACT VISIBILITY GOOD EXD// EXCEPT IN
INLAND SHOWERS.

LAE AREA-SCTD CUMULUS AT 2000 FT THROUGHOUT THE DAY WITH FEW SCTD HIGH
AND MIDDLE CLOUDS ABOVE 12000 FEET VISIBILITY GOOD ENTIRE PERIOD.

OPERATIONS EARLY TO AVOID THE BUILDING CUMULUS IN VICINITY OF DROMES
WXX WITH SCTD SHOWERS IN PLACES YET ON THEIR RETURN IF THEIR HOME BASE
IS SOCKED IN OTHER DROMES WOULD BE AN ALTERNATE FOR LANDING LAE AREA
TO HOLD GOOD

2 STRIKE.

3 1 SQUADRON-25S ATTACK AND DESTROY DOCKS FACILITIES AND JEY//
JETTYS LAE HARBOR. P-38S FIGHTER COVER TO BE COORDINATED WITH
5 FIGHTER COMMAND.

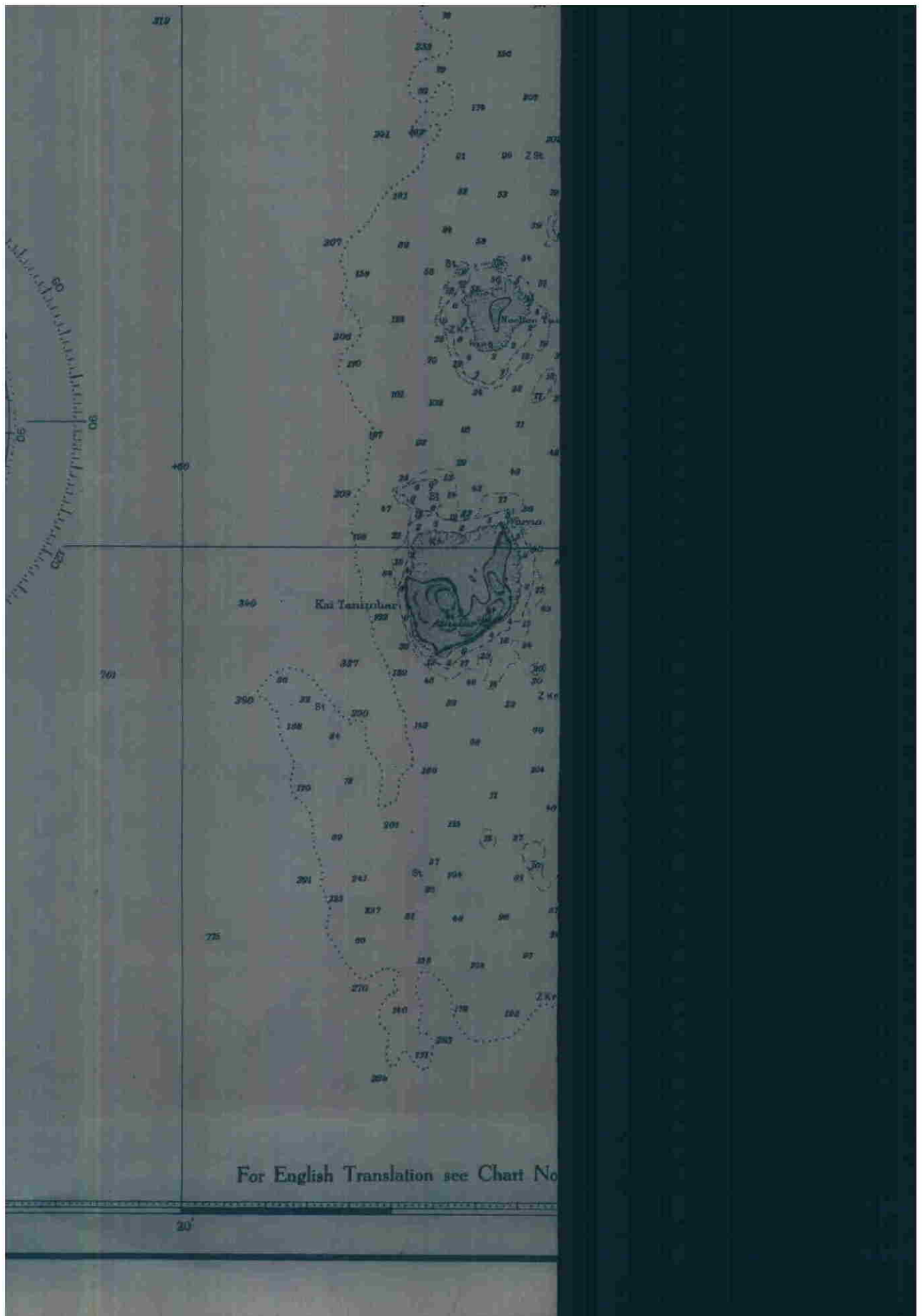
X1 AS DIRECTED BY C.O. 38TH G// GP.

X2 REARM, REFUEL CALL BOMCOM FIVE FOR RELOADING.

4 NO CHANGE.

5 NOTIFY THIS HEADQUARTERS CALL SIGNS AND TAKE T// OFF TIMES.
COMBOMCOM 5

TOS 112143/L HAS VA
112143/L HAS VA



YOSL.CD..0134L JMS VA
 CG. H OH BRNE VA
 130133/L OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

File

TO 30 BOM GROUP
 FROM BOM COM 5

Rec'd 02144713 Jan 43
 67K.

DC 553

FRAG. F. G. NO 12-1

MISSION NO. 12-1

MAPS USUAL

1A1 NO CHANGE.

1A2 NO INFORMATION.

1B1 NO CHANGE.

1B2 USUAL REGCO, FIGHTER SCREEN BUNA, 1 F-4 PHOTOGRAPH LAE. SWEEP
 NORTH COAST NEW GUINEA. 6 BOMBERS STRAFFING ALONG COAST
 EAST OF LAE HARBOR 1130/L. FIGHTER COVER OVER LAE FROM 1055
 TILL 1130/L.

1C OBTAIN BASE OPS.

2 STRIKE

3 1 SQUADRON B-25'S ATTACK AND DESTROY DOCK FACILITIES AND JETTYS
 LAE HARBOR. TIME OF ATTACK TO BE 1100/L/13 BE CLEAR OF LAE AREA
 BY 1115.

X1 AS DIRECTD BY CG 35TH BG.

X2 REARM REFUEL REPORT A-3 BOM COM 5 BEFORE RELOADING.

4 NO CHANGE.

5 NOTIFY THIS HQ TAKE OFF TIMES N/A AND CALL SIGNS

FIGHTER SHUCKS FIGHTER FREQUENCY 4895
 BOMBERS PEANUTS

CONDONCOM 5

TOOS 3240/L/12/1

YOS..CD..0200L JMS VA

HJ 2 NR 2 EEE VA

3 Jan 43 13 January 43
 Mission - 12-I. Attack & Destroy dock facilities and jetties, Fuel Harbor.

903-405th

907-405th

898-405th

P-³ Chelin, R. Capt. P-⁴ Watkins, J. P. 1st Lt. P-¹⁴ Darby, F. H. 2nd Lt.
 CP-McCorkle, A. 2nd Lt. CP-Doneyan, J. M. 2nd Lt. CP-Adkins, E. W. 2nd Lt.
 N-Johnson, L. M. 2nd Lt. N-Eudymon, A. 2nd Lt. N-Ehrlich, W. E. 1st Lt.
 B-Keebin, V. N. 2nd Lt. B-Hey, H. N. S/Sgt. B-Fody, J. M. 2nd Lt.
 E-Busbridge, J. T. T/Sgt. E-Boyle, D. E. 2nd Lt.
 R-Cathman, J. H. Corp. R-Careben, H. I. 2nd Lt.
 G-Murphy, C. H. S/Sgt. G-Cooley, L. H. Corp. G-Franklin, J. P. Sgt.

905-405th

ordered back by F/L.
 908-405th

returned engine trouble
 938-405th

P-¹ Brandon, N. D. 2nd Lt. P-¹³ Woods, W. L. 1st Lt. P-¹⁰ Pittman, W. 2nd Lt.
 CP-Lachman, B. 2nd Lt. CP-Ewens, R. W. 2nd Lt. CP-Hall, P. H. 2nd Lt.
 N-McKnight, E. W. 2nd Lt. N-Langi, P. C. 2nd Lt. N-Smith, C. L. 2nd Lt.
 B-Curtis, H. A. 2nd Lt. B-Bachler, F. M. 2nd Lt. B-Peterson, J. R. 2nd Lt.
 E-Bambaker, P. A. Corp. E-Dorlan, C. F. 2nd Lt. E-Chiken, L. Corp.
 R-Amador, C. D. S/Sgt. R-Brass, J. W. Corp. R-Chesum, P. F. Corp.
 G-Allen, A. J. S/Sgt. G-Smith, E. T. 2nd Lt. G-Sivchanski, J. O. Corp.

Took off at 0905/4/13. To attack and destroy dock facilities and jetties, Fuel Harbor. Over target at 1100/4/13. returned to Base at 1215, -1215, -1215, -1215, -1130, -1140

Reference Doc - 12 I

Lt. Comd. McMorris, U.S. Navy attached to V.B.C. as Liaison officer accompanied flight on mission, flew in 903 with Capt Chelin.

TO: A-2 ~~XXXXXXXX~~ BOMCOM 5

FROM: 38TH BG DURAND

FINAL MISSION REPORT. (A) 121 6R-405SQ. (B) DOCK FACILITIES AT LAE. (C) 1800-2200FT. (D) BOMBS LANDED ON BUILDING AND JETTIES IN DOCK AREA. LAE HOTEL SEEN TO EXPLODE. 5 OTHER BUILDINGS IN VICINITY OF LAE HOTEL SET AFIRE. JETTY NO. 120(LAE XI LOCALITY MAP) RECIEVED DIRECT HIT CAUSING FIRE AND DENSE BLACK SMOKE. (E) HEAVY LIGHT INACCURATE. FEW BURST FROM W END OF RUNWAY AND FEW FROM S SIDE OF E END OF RUNWAY. NO OTHER A/A SIGHTED. (I) BOMBING RUN AND DOCK AREA. (J) 60FT FLAT TOP BOAT SIGHTED IN N LAE HARBOR MOVING RAPIDLY TOWARDS END OF RUNWAY. COMMENT: IF BARGE IT WAS THE LARGEST YET SIGHTED BY THIS SQ. SUPPLIES WITH YELLOW WRAPPINGS SIGHTED ALONG BEACH AND AMONG TREES BETWEEN BEACHED TRANSPORT AND MOUTH OF MALAHANG RIVER. K (K) CLOUD LAYER BETWEEN 2500-3000 FT OTHERWISE GOOD. (L) IDEAL BOMBING CONDITIONS. NO AERIAL OPPOSITION AND VERY LIGHT INACCURATE A/A. (M) 32X300 LB DEMO INST. 360X50 CAL 50X30 CAL STRAFFING BUILDINGS IN DOCK AREA.

HJ V CD NR 9
131536/L OPS PRTY
TO 38TH BOMB GP (DURAND)
BC 574
FRAG.F.O.NO. 12 - R
MISSION NO. 12 - R
MAPS USUAL
1A1 NO CHANGE
1A2 NO CHANGE
1B1 NO CHANGE
1B2 NO CHANGE
1C OBTAIN AT DURAND
2 SJY
3 ONE B-25 SJY "CLEVELAND ABEE".
X1 KXX 8 X 300 LB.
X2 NIL
4 NIL
5 NOTIFY THIS HEADQUARTERS OF CALL SIGNS.
COMBOMCON 5
TOS 131657/L GRD VA
HJ R NR 9 RHP VA

13 January 1943

Mission 12 R. Search for Sub.

938-405th

P- Paulich, W. Y. 2nd Lt.

CP- Conway, F. A. 2nd Lt.

N- Page, H. L. 2nd Lt.

B- Thomas, J. C. 2nd Lt.

E- Wolff, R. B. 2nd Lt.

R- Buckley, T. W. 2nd Lt.

G- Morgan, J. C. 2nd Lt.

took off at 1605/L/13. returned to Base 1950/L/13.
Reference Perm-12 R.

TO: A-2 BOMCOM 5

FROM: 38TH BG DURAND

FINAL MISSION REPORT. (A) 12R 1R-405TH SQ. (B) SUBMARINE PATROL OVER CONVOY.

(C) 1640 TO 1955, 500 TO 10000 FT. (D) NIL (E) NIL (F) NIL (G) NIL (H) NIL

(I) NIL (J) SIGHTED AT 1640 ONE CARGO SHIP 140 MILES SOUTH OF MORESEY COURSE DUE

SOUTH SPEED 10 KNOTS, PATROLLED IN AREA. AT 1745 SAW PBZY FLYING BOAT - CHALLA

ENGED IT AND WAS ACKNOWLEDGED, IT LEFT IN AN EASTERLY DIRECTION. AT 1820

SIGHTED ONE DESTROYER AND FOUR CARGO SHIPS ON COURSE TO PORT MORESEY.

AT 1825 RETURNED TO SINGLE SHIP PREVIOUSLY MENTIONED AND PATROLLED IN VICINITY.

AT 1915 STARTED BACK TO BASE, SIGHTED SINGLE CARGO SHIP COURSE 180 DEGREES

ABOUT 50 MILES SOUTH OF MORESEY. (K) WEATHER GOOD (L) NIL (M) NO BOMBS DROPPED

13 Jan 43
CD V HJ NR 6

MISSION REPORT
DUR-12R
T C D Z HJ OPS IMMEDIATE 132115/L

TO A-2 BOMCOM 5

FINAL MISSION REPORT .

(A) 12 R 1R 405TH SQ:

(B) SUBMARINE PATROL OVER CONVOY

(C) 1540 TO 1955, 500 TO 10000 FT

(D) NIL

(E) NIL

(F) NIL

(G) NIL

(H) NIL

(I) NIL

(J) SIGHTED AT 1640 ONE CARGO SHIP 140 MILES SOUTH OF MORESBY COURSE
DUE SOUTH SPEED 10 KNOTS, PATROLLED IN AREA. AT 1745 SAW PB2Y
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SHIPS ON COURSE TO PORT MORESBY. AT 1825 RETURNED TO SINGLE SHIP
PREVIOUSLY MENTIONED AND PATROLLED IN VICINITY. AT 1915 STARTED
BACK TO BASE, SIGHTED SINGLE CARGO SHIP COURSE 150 DEGREES ABOUT
50 MILES SOUTH OF MORESBY.

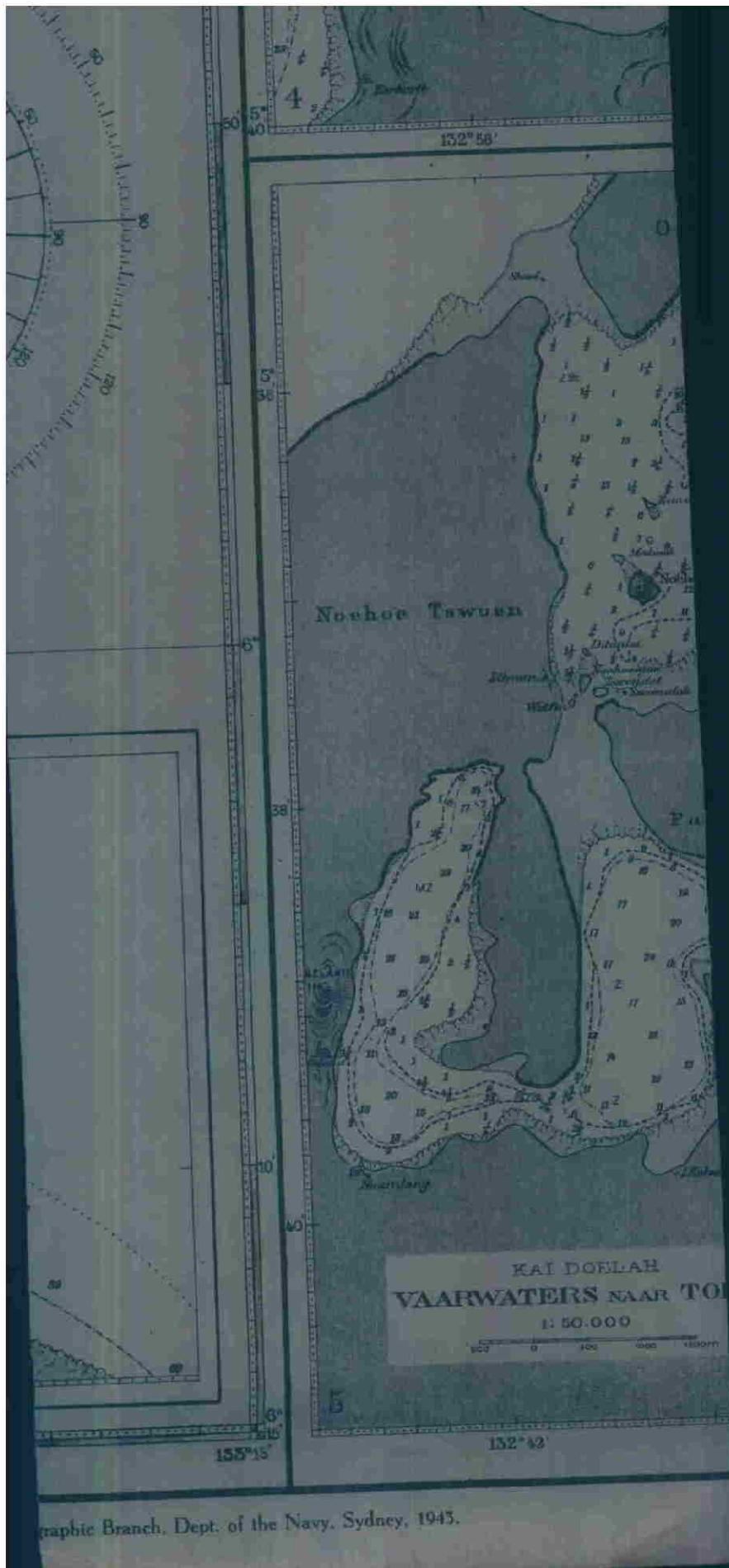
(K) WEATHER GOOD

(L) NIL

(M) NO BOMBS DROPPED

HJ TOS 132136/L/1 RHP VA

EREXE CD R NR 6 GHD VA



14 Jan 43 / 4 Jan 43

438-7-1st

P- Turner, W. L. 1st Lt.
 CP- Robinson, R. H. 2nd Lt.
 N- Kervais, E. M. 2nd Lt.
 B- Craig, J. M. 2nd Lt.
 E- Hildeman, R. J. Corp.
 R- Kotech, N. A. S/Sgt.
 G- Lane, P. R. Corp.
 X- Lonsley, B. P. S/Sgt.
 X- Tobias, K. B. Pvt. 1st.
 X- McFalls, R. Sgt.
 X- Hoff, J. M. Pvt.
 X- Glover, Pvt. 1st.

Took off for Townsville at 0730/4/43
 arrived at Townsville,

Crash landed and Eagle Farm
 Brisbane

5 members hurt - 1 seriously hurt
 further details not known at this
 time.

998-405th

P- Slings,
 CP-

Took off at 0855/4/44 to fly
 slow time. returned to Base at
 1205/4/44.

N-

B-

E-

R-

G-

14 January 1943

Practice Bombing Missions

905-405th

P- Pavlish, W. L. 2nd. Lt.

CP- Mowry, F. A. 2nd. Lt.

N- Page, H. L. 2nd. Lt.

B- Thomas, J. E. 2nd. Lt.

E- Wolff, R. B. Pvt.

R- Burkley, T. V. Pvt.

G- Morgan, J. E. Sgt.

899-405th

P- Hay, W. M. 2nd. Lt.

CP- Lake, J. W. 2nd. Lt.

N- McWilliams, J. H. 2nd. Lt.

B- Miles, O. E. 2nd. Lt.

E- Craig, V. C. Corp.

R- Cole, J. A. Corp.

G- Eaten, W. H. S/Sgt.

908-405th

P- Watkins, J. P. 1st. Lt.

CP- Doneyson, J. M. 2nd. Lt.

N- Tudyman, A. 2nd. Lt.

B- Gray, H. H. S/Sgt.

E-

R- Casebeer, N. Y. Pvt.

G- Cooley, L. W. Corp.

Took off on Practice Bombing
Mission at 0915/1/14. returned
to Base at 1025/1/14.

Took off on Practice Bombing
Mission at 0915/1/14. returned
to Base at 0940/1/14.

Took off on Practice Bombing
Mission at 0915/1/14. returned
to Base at 1025/1/14.

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Practice Bombing Mission

898-405th

P - Woods, W. Y. 1st Lt.
 CP - Towne, R. W. 2nd Lt.
 N - Luzzi, R. C. 2nd Lt.
 B - Berchler, F. M. 2nd Lt.
 E - Imbler, C. F. Pvt.
 R - Brass, J. W. Corp.
 G - Smith, C. L. Pvt.

Took off on Practice Bombing
 Mission at 0930/1/14. returned
 to Base at 1025/1/14.

908-405th

P - Ray, W. M. 2nd Lt.
 CP - Luke, Jr. W. F. 2nd Lt.
 N - McWilliams, J. K. 2nd Lt.
 B - Miles, D. C. 2nd Lt.
 E - Craig, W. C. Corp.
 R - Cobb, J. A. Corp.
 G - Coten, W. H. S/Sgt.

Took off on Practice Bombing
 Mission at 1045/1/14. returned
 to Base at 1205/1/14.

909-405th

P - Darity, F. H. 2nd Lt.
 CP - Adkins, C. W. 2nd Lt.
 N - Threlkeld, W. E. 1st Lt.
 B - Foddy, Jr. M. 2nd Lt.
 E - Bybee, D. E. Pvt.
 R - Befko, S. J. Corp.
 G - Franklin, J. R. Sgt.

Took off on Practice Bombing
 Mission at 1040/1/14. returned
 to Base at 1140/1/14.

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Practice Bombing Missions

898-405th

P - Coy, W. H. 1st Lt. Took off on Practice Bombing Mission
 CP - Cusworth, C. 2nd Lt. at 1040/2/14. returned to Base at
 N - McLean, C. L. 2nd Lt. 1130/2/14.
 B - Smith, M. H. 2nd Lt.
 E - Paton, J. J. Corp.
 R - Sullivan, Corp.
 G - Morrison, M. Corp.

905-405th

P - Mondelli, L. J. 1st Lt. Took off on Practice Bombing Mission
 CP - Latham, R. B. 2nd Lt. at 1045/2/14. returned to Base at
 N - Styles, C. W. 2nd Lt. 1140/2/14.
 B - Whitman, Jr. R. 2nd Lt.
 E - Ames, J. D. Plt.
 R - Harris, L. C. Corp.
 G - Bucci, C. P. Plt. 1st.

908-405th

P - Middlebrook, H. 2nd Lt. Took off on Practice Bombing
 CP - Noser, W. F. 2nd Lt. Mission at 1400/2/14. returned
 N - Moffitt, E. D. 2nd Lt. to Base at 1530/2/14.
 B - Berry, J. P. 2nd Lt.
 E - Hopper, H. A. 3rd Sgt.
 R - Lillard, R. J. Corp.
 G - Emminger, R. L. Corp.

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Practice Bombing Missions

707-705th

P- McConkle,

CP-

N-

B-

E-

R-

G-

Took off on Practice Bombing Mission
at 1420/4/14. returned to Base at
1525/4/14.

898-405th

P- Pittman, W. 2nd. Lt.

CP- Hall, D. L. 2nd. Lt.

N- Smith, C. L. 2nd. Lt.

B- Petronis, J. R. 2nd. Lt.

E- Chilesen, L. Corp.

R- Chegum, R. F. Corp.

G- Siwakowski, J. A. Corp.

Took off on Practice Bombing Mission
at 1355/4/14. returned to Base at
1505/4/14. Tire Blew out causing
Crash-landing. No one hurt. Chf
Turned over to _____ Salvage Dept.

905-405th

P- Henry, R. L. 1st. Lt.

CP- Grover, R. L. 2nd. Lt.

N- Brammel, V. O. 2nd. Lt.

B- Scheerer, H. L. 2nd. Lt.

E- Jenna, J. A. Sgt.

R- Anderson, N. A. Corp.

G- Zimmerman, R. J. Corp.

Took off on Practice Bombing Mission
at 1355/4/14. returned to Base at
1505/4/14.

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Practice Bombing Missions

700-774

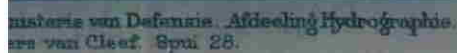
P- Durri, E. 2nd Lt. Took off on Practice Bombing Mission
 CP- Brody, B. J. 2nd Lt. at 1635/4/14. returned to Base at
 N- Schmidt, C. F. 2nd Lt. 1740/4/14.
 B- Shank, W. R. 2nd Lt.
 E- Norton, E. L. Corp.
 R- Steele, A. M. Corp.
 G- Cooper, J. N. Corp.

895-71st

P- Adler, W. L. 2nd Lt. Took off on Practice Bombing Mission
 CP- Hopkins, D. L. 2nd Lt. at 1635/4/14. returned to Base at
 N- McMillan, D. R. 2nd Lt. 1739/4/14.
 B- Preston, R. J. 2nd Lt.
 E- Remillard, O. C. Corp.
 R- Schlott, H. F. T/Sgt.
 G- Sebastiani, C. A. Pvt.

736-71st

P- Thompson, A. H. Capt. Took off on Practice Bombing Mission
 CP- Evans, J. B. 2nd Lt. at 1635/4/14. returned to Base at
 N- Conzalt, W. L. 1st Lt. 1747/4/14.
 B- Burk, W. H. 2nd Lt.
 E- Lifer, J. R. Corp.
 R- Berry, J. T. Corp.
 G- Hartman, W. W. Pvt.



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Mission 14-E, Attack & Destroy Ammunition Dump Etc.

736-71st727-71st904-71st893-71st

P-Thompson, A. H. Capt. P-Atherton, C. B. 2nd Lt. P-Hammon, B. F. 2nd Lt. P-Lewis, C. E. 1st Lt.
 CP-Evans, J. B. 2nd Lt. CP-Grill, F. M. 2nd Lt. CP-Helton, F. E. 2nd Lt. CP-Bryant, D. C. 2nd Lt.
 N-Royalty, W. L. 1st Lt. N-Kesthull, L. J. 2nd Lt. N-Thompson, J. A. 2nd Lt. N-Drew, F. W. 2nd Lt.
 B-Bark, W. K. 2nd Lt. B-Ailsey, J. A. S/Sgt. B-Pitt, H. N. 2nd Lt. B-Carlin, A. F. 2nd Lt.
 E-Lifer, J. B. Corp. E-Lewis, C. F. Corp. E-Adams, H. L. Sgt. E-Beall, A. H. Plt.
 R-Berry, J. T. Corp. R-Johnson, F. L. Sgt. R-Hilgen, H. T. Sgt. R-Carter, J. M. Corp.
 G-Hestman, W. W. Plt. G-Fairley, N. C. Sgt. G-Shinner, W. P. Plt. G-Daniel, A. M. Corp.

Returned w/ exp. trouble

710-71st895-71st700-71st

P-Paguen, H. M. 2nd Lt. P-Wheeler, W. J. 2nd Lt. P-Durrie, E. 2nd Lt.
 CP-Eushy, J. J. 2nd Lt. CP-Hopkins, P. L. 2nd Lt. CP-Brody, B. J. 2nd Lt.
 N-Hessman, H. V. 2nd Lt. N-McMillan, D. R. 2nd Lt. N-Schmitt, C. F. 2nd Lt.
 B-Brodfellow, P. M. 2nd Lt. B-Preston, R. J. 2nd Lt. B-Shank, W. R. 2nd Lt.
 E-Williamson, R. L. 2nd Lt. E-Remillard, O. E. Corp. E-Horton, E. L. Corp.
 R-Lewis, W. O. Sgt. R-Schlotte, H. F. T/Sgt. R-Steel, A. C. Corp.
 G-Wing, K. J. Sgt. G-Sebastiani, C. A. Plt. G-Cooper, J. H. Corp.

Took off at 1030/L/15 on mission over ammunition dump etc.

Over target at 1155/L/15. Returned to base at 1130, -1245, -1245

Reference Doc - 14 E

TO A-2 BOM COM 5
FROM 38th Bomb Gp Surand

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FINAL MISSION REPORT (A) DUR-14E 7R 71st Sq (B) SUPPLY DUMP LAE (C) 1155L/15
4300 - 4500 FT (D) UNOBSERVED DUE TO THIN CLOUD LAYER AT ~~10000~~ 3000 FT OVER
TARGET. ONE PLANE RETURNED BEFORE REACHING TARGET DUE TO ENGINE TROUBLE (E)
HEAVY AND LIGHT LIGHT AND FAIRLY ACCURATE AT 4500 FT FROM SOUTH SIDE OF SE
END OF RUNWAY, THE SOUTH SIDE OF NORTH WEST END OF RUNWAY AND MT LUNAMAN
(Y) BOMBING RUNS (J) 6 TO 10 BARGES IN LAGOON 2 TO 4 MILES BELOW SALAMAU.
2 OR 3 TWIN ENGINE PLANES IN NUMBER TWO BLAST BAY (K) THIN OVERCAST AT 3000
FT OVERCAST IN MOUNTAINS AT 10000 FT FRONT MOVING IN FROM SEA APPROXIMATELY
15 MILES OUT FROM LAE (N) 46X300 LB DEMO INST.

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MISSION REPORT
DUR-14-E 15-1-43
TO A-2 BOM COM 5
FROM 36TH BOMB GP DURAND

FINAL MISSION REPORT (A) DI// DUR-14E 7R 71ST SQ (B) SUPPLY DUMP LA
/// LAE (C) 1155L/15 4300-4500 FT (D) UNOBSERVED DUE TO THIN CLOUD
LAYER AT 3000 FT OVER TARGET. ONE PLANE RETURNED BEFORE REACHING TARGET
DUE TO ENGINE TROUBLE (E) HEAVY AND LIGHT LIGHT AND FAIRLY ACCURATE
AT ~~1155L~~ 4500 FT FROM SOUTH SIDE OF SE END OF RUNWAY, THE SOUTH SIDE
OF NORTH WEST END OF RUNWAY AND MT LUNANAN (I) BOMBING RUNS (L// C'///
(J) 6 TO 10 BARGES IN LAGOON 2 TO 4 MILES BELOW SALAMAU. 2 OR 3 TWIN
ENGINE PLANES IN NUMBER TWO BLAST BAY (K) THIN OVERCAST AA/// AT 3000
FT OVERCAST IN MOUNTAINS AT 10000 FT FRONT MOVING IN FROM SEA APPROXIMATE
-LY 15 MILES OUT FROM LAE (M) 46X300 LB DEMO INST.
TOS KN 151405/L WGJ VA
CH R NR 5 WZ HAS VA

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998-405

P- Johnson,

CP-

Took off for Townsville at 0730/4/15.

Landed at Townsville at

N-

B-

E-

B-

G-

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Practice Bombing Missions

692-71st

P-³ Earlsberg, L. F. 1st Lt.
 CP- Savers, J. W. 2nd Lt.
 N- Preiber, J. B. 2nd Lt.
 B- Cawson, P. L. 2nd Lt.
 E- Lemmon, L. H. Corp.
 R- Heibel, M. R. Corp.
 G- Garguin, A. J. Corp.

Took off on Practice Bombing Mission
 at 1130/4/15. returned to Base
 at 1240/4/15.

873-77th

P-⁹ Lausman, C. C. 1st Lt.
 CP- Bryant, D. C. 2nd Lt.
 N- Drees, F. W. 2nd Lt.
 B- Carlson, A. F. 2nd Lt.
 E- Beall, A. G. 2nd Lt.
 R- Courtenay, E. M. Corp.
 G- Daniels, A. M. Corp.

Took off on Practice Bombing Mission
 at 1710/4/15. returned to Base
 at 1833/4/15.

727-71st

P-¹² Atkinson, C. B. 2nd Lt.
 CP- Cecil, F. M. 2nd Lt.
 N- Weatherall, L. J. 2nd Lt.
 B- Cieslony, T. A. S/Sgt.
 E- Shaw, C. E. Corp.
 R- Johnson, F. L. S/Sgt.
 G- Farley, H. E. S/Sgt.

Took off on Practice Bombing Mission
 at 1710/4/15. returned to Base
 at 1840/4/15.