

AIRCRAFT ACTION REPORT

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REPORT No. AG-60 21-44

XI. ATTACK ON ENEMY SHIPS OR GROUND OBJECTIVES (By Own Aircraft Listed in II Only).

- (a) Target(s) and Location(s) Enemy Installations, Guam I, Marianas Is. (b) Time Over Target(s) VF-1250K -10
(FOR SHIPS INCLUDE ALL IN AREA UNDER ATTACK) VF-1220-1370 K -10 (Zone)
- (c) Clouds Over Target 2000', Cumulus, 9/10
(BASE IN FEET, TYPE AND TENTHS OF COVER)
- (d) Visibility of Target Clear Beneath clouds. (e) Visibility 15 Miles.
(CLEAR, HAZY, PARTIALLY OBSCURED BY CLOUDS, ETC.) (MILES)
- (f) Bombing Tactics: Type Glide. Bomb Sight Used VF-Gunsight
(LEVEL, GLIDE OR DIVE) VF-0 VT-Mark 8 Gunsight.
(TYPE)
- Bombs Dropped per Run VF-1-3-6-10 Spacing VT-Select & Train, 30' Altitude of Bomb Release VF-2000' av.
(NUMBER) (FEET) (FEET)
- (g) Number of Enemy Aircraft Hit on Ground: Destroyed None Probably Destroyed None Damaged None.

(h) AIMING POINT	(i) DIMENSIONS OR TONNAGE	(j) NO. A/C ATTACKING (k) SQUADRON	(l) BOMBS AND AMMUNITION EXPENDED, EACH AIMING POINT	(m) NO. HITS On Aiming Point	(n) DAMAGE (None, slight, serious, destroyed or sunk)
1 Installations, areas 474-475-575.		5xVF-3 VF-60	1000 Rds. .50 cal. 5x500# G.P.	0	See Below.
2 Installations, areas 561-581-585.		TBH-1c-2 VF-60	24x100# G.P.	24	" "
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(o) RESULTS: (For all hits claimed on ship targets and for land targets of special interest, draw diagram, top or side view or both, as appropriate, showing type and location of hits. For all targets give location and effect of hits, and identify by numbers above. Use additional sheets if necessary).

1. Although not a single bomb hit the point of aim or the pin point target, all bombs landed within the Areas assigned. Two hits were among buildings in 575 F and K; one in 474 O and one in 475 L. The fifth bomb was dropped at 575 F, but the results were unobserved as the plane passed behind a cloud and the explosion was not seen. The area was then strafed by all planes. results unobserved.

2. One plane dropped 9 bombs on area 561 I and J, and the Air Liaison Party reported all 9 bombs on the target. Both planes then made dummy runs for 20 minutes as requested on the same area. (12 bombs were then dropped on pill boxes and caves in a cliff and three single drops were made in area 585 T. As this mission was to bomb an area, the exact results could not be determined from the air, but as mentioned before, the Air Liaison Party said that very good coverage was achieved.

(p) Were Photographs Taken? No. Photographs of Damage, When Taken, Should Be Attached By Staple.

XII. TACTICAL AND OPERATIONAL DATA. (Narrative and comment. Describe action fully and comment freely, following applicable items in check list at left. Use additional sheets if necessary.)

ENGAGEMENT WITH ENEMY**OWN AIRCRAFT**

Disposition
Altitudes
Speeds
Approach Tactics
Use of Cover, Deception
Angles of Attack and
Their Effectiveness
Distance of Opening Fire
Defense Tactics and
Their Effectiveness

ENEMY AIRCRAFT

Method of Locating, Distance
Disposition
Altitudes
Speeds
Approach Tactics
Use of Cover, Deception
Angles of Attack
Distance of Opening Fire
Defensive Tactics

**COMMENTS AND
RECOMMENDATIONS**

Own Weaknesses
Enemy Weaknesses
Offensive Tactics, Own
" " , Enemy
Defensive Tactics, Own
" " , Enemy
Flexible Gunnery, Own
Escort Tactics
Fighter Direction
Use of Radar
Night Fighting
Recognition, Aircraft

ATTACK**OWN TACTICS**

Method of Locating Target
Approach to Target
Altitudes, Speeds
Approach
Dive
Pull-Out
Dive Angle
Strafing
Retirement
Defensive Tactics
Use of Jamming

DEFENSE, ENEMY

Evasive Tactics, Ships
Concealment
Searchlights
Night Fighter Tactics
Use of Jamming

**COMMENTS AND
RECOMMENDATIONS**

Bombing Tactics
Torpedo Tactics
Effectiveness of
Bombs, Torpedoes
Selection of Targets
Fuzing
Strafing Tactics
Defensive Tactics
Use of Radar
Reconnaissance
Photography
Briefing

OPERATIONAL

Navigation
Homing
Rendezvous
Recognition, Ships
Communications
Flight Operations
Search and Tracking
Base Operations
Maintenance

1. There were no enemy aircraft seen in the air.

2. There was no AA fire observed.

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ARMAMENT

Guns, Gunsights
Turrets
Ammunition
Bombs, Torpedoes
Bomb Sights
Bomb Releases

COMMUNICATIONS

Radio, Radar
Homing Devices
Visual Signals
Codes, Ciphers

RECOGNITION

IFF
Signals
Battle Lights
Procedures

PROTECTION

Armor, Points and Angles
of Fire Needing Further
Protection
Leak Proofing

EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT

Parachutes
Life Belts, Life Rafts
Safety Belts
Emergency Kits
Rations, First Aid

NAVIGATIONAL EQUIPMENT

Compasses
Driftsights
Octants
Automatic Pilots
Charts
Field Lighting

INSTRUMENTS

Flight
Power Plant

OXYGEN SYSTEM

CAMOUFLAGE AND DECEPTION DEVICES

STRUCTURE

Airframe
Control Surfaces
Control System
Dive Flaps
Landing Gear
Heating System
Flight Characteristics
At Various Loadings

POWER PLANT

Engines
Engine Accessories
Propellers
Lubricating System
Starters
Exhaust Dampers

HYDRAULIC SYSTEM

ELECTRICAL SYSTEM

Auxiliary Plant
Lights

FUEL SYSTEM

FLIGHT CLOTHING

MAINTENANCE

BASE FACILITIES

Plane Servicing Equipment
Personnel Facilities

1. All aircraft operated in a normal manner.

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- (a) Target(s) and Location(s) Targets of opportunity Areas 474-5. Installations Area 714, N-D-S-T. Guam Island. Marianas Islands. (b) Time Over Target(s) VF-1610K (Zone) -10
(FOR SHIPS INCLUDE ALL IN AREA UNDER ATTACK) VT-1545K -10
- (c) Clouds Over Target 2400', Cumulus, 1/10 over target. Squalls in vicinity.
(BASE IN FEET, TYPE AND TENTHS OF COVER)
- (d) Visibility of Target Clear over targets. (e) Visibility 20 Miles.
(CLEAR, HAZY, PARTIALLY OBSCURED BY CLOUDS, ETC.) (MILES)
- (f) Bombing Tactics: Type Glide Bomb Sight Used VF-Gunsight
(LEVEL, GLIDE OR DIVE) (TYPE)
- Bombs Dropped per Run VF-One Spacing VT-Train, 50' Altitude of Bomb Release VF-1900' av.
(NUMBER) (FEET) (FEET)
- (g) Number of Enemy Aircraft Hit on Ground: Destroyed None. Probably Destroyed None. Damaged None.

(h) AIMING POINT	(i) DIMENSIONS OR TONNAGE	(j) NO. A/C ATTACKING (k) SQUADRON	(l) BOMBS AND AMMUNITION EXPENDED, EACH AIMING POINT	(m) NO. HITS On Aiming Point	(n) DAMAGE (None, slight, serious, destroyed or sunk)
1 <u>Buildings and Installations</u> <u>Areas 474-475.</u>		<u>6xP6P-3</u> <u>VF-60</u>	<u>6x500# G.P.</u>	<u>?</u>	<u>See Below.</u>
2 <u>Enemy installations in Areas</u> <u>714, N-D-S-T.</u>		<u>1xTBM-1c</u> <u>VT-60</u>	<u>12x100# G.P.</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>" "</u>
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- All bombs were dropped on Orote Airfield installations in Area 474 I-TU and I, and in Area 475 K and L. One fire was started in Area 474 I, but no other visible results were seen. The area was strafed by all planes after their bombs were dropped.
- The TBM made two runs over this area all twelve bombs landing within the assigned target areas. There were no visible results observed and the damage, if any, could not be determined.

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ENEMY AIRCRAFT

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RECOMMENDATIONS**

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Defensive Tactics, Own
" " , Enemy
Flexible Gunnery, Own
Escort Tactics
Fighter Direction
Use of Radar
Night Fighting
Recognition, Aircraft

1. No enemy aircraft were seen in the air.
2. There was no AA fire observed.

ATTACK**OWN TACTICS**

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FUEL SYSTEM

FLIGHT CLOTHING

MAINTENANCE

BASE FACILITIES

Plane Servicing Equipment
Personnel Facilities

1. All Aircraft operated in a normal manner.

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