

AIRCRAFT ACTION REPORT

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REPORT No. VF-60 23-44

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

- (a) Target(s) and Location(s) Targets of opportunity, Guam I., Marianas Is. (b) Time Over Target(s) 1300 -10 (Zone)
(FOR SHIPS INCLUDE ALL IN AREA UNDER ATTACK)
- (c) Clouds Over Target High Overcast, Clear Below.
(BASE IN FEET, TYPE AND TENTHS OF COVER)
- (d) Visibility of Target Clear (e) Visibility 20 Miles.
(CLEAR, HAZY, PARTIALLY OBSCURED BY CLOUDS, ETC.) (MILES)
- (f) Bombing Tactics: Type None. Bomb Sight Used _____
(LEVEL, GLIDE OR DIVE) (TYPE)
- Bombs Dropped per Run None. Spacing _____ Altitude of Bomb Release _____
(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 Guam Island.</u>		<u>4-768-3 VF-60</u>	<u>3300 lbs. .50 Cal.</u>		<u>See Below.</u>
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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. Four barges and many small buildings were strafed with no apparent results. No enemy activity was observed.

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

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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. **No enemy aircraft were observed in the air.**
2. **There was no anti aircraft fire observed.**

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XIII. MATERIAL DATA. (Comment freely on performance or suitability, following check list at left.
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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 functioned in a normal manner.

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- (a) Target(s) and Location(s) Northern Landing Beach
Guam I. Marianas Islands. (b) Time Over Target(s) 0820-0825 (Zone) -10
(FOR SHIPS INCLUDE ALL IN AREA UNDER ATTACK)
- (c) Clouds Over Target 1800', Cumulus, 1/10
(BASE IN FEET, TYPE AND TENTHS OF COVER)
- (d) Visibility of Target Clear (e) Visibility 25 miles.
(CLEAR, HAZY, PARTIALLY OBSCURED BY CLOUDS, ETC.) (MILES)
- (f) Bombing Tactics: Type Glide Bomb Sight Used Gunsight.
(LEVEL, GLIDE OR DIVE) (TYPE)
- Bombs Dropped per Run One Spacing 0 Altitude of Bomb Release 1900'
(NUMBER) (FEET) (FEET)
- (g) Number of Enemy Aircraft Hit on Ground: Destroyed None. Probably Destroyed None. Damaged None.

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1 <u>Landing Beach</u>		<u>VF-60-3</u> <u>VF-60</u>	<u>6x350# Depth Bombs.</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>See Below.</u>
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1. All aircraft dropped their bombs, however after the first two or three hits were observed, on the beach, the dust, debris, and smoke was so thick that the results of the remainder of the bombs were unobserved. The mission was given a "well done" by the CAG.

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

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1. There were no enemy aircraft seen in the air.
2. There was no AA fire observed.
3. This strike was made in support of the Marine landing forces between Asan and Adalap Points, Guam Island, the object being to bomb the entire beach during the time the landing wave of landing craft was between 1200 and 350 yards from the beach. Divisions of four planes attacked at one minute intervals, each division taking approximately one quarter of the beach. In order to effect the correct timing, the four divisions flew in a two minute circle with two divisions diametrically opposite the other two. As each group approached a designated point Xray on the orbit, one division broke off and entered its high speed approach. After two turns of the two minute orbit, all four divisions had broken off to enter their respective dives. All bombs were therefore dropped in approximately three minutes, while the landing craft approached from about 900 yards to about 400 yards from the beach. Each division made one run and the four planes in each division were echeloned to landward of their respective beach or area of the beach. The leader of each division bombed parallel to and slightly inland from the landing beaches where enemy resistance was likely to be located, and the remaining three planes of each division automatically covered a swath inland.

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Plane Servicing Equipment
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1. All aircraft operated in a normal manner with the exception of the bomb releasing mechanism in one plane. The pilot had to push the release button on the stick four or five times before his bomb would drop. When later checked on deck the mechanism operated perfectly.

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