

AIRCRAFT ACTION REPORT

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REPORT No. VF-60 13-44

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

- (a) Target(s) and Location(s) Buildings and Installations. (b) Time Over Target(s) 1020-1040 H (Zone) -10
(FOR SHIPS INCLUDE ALL IN AREA UNDER ATTACK)
- (c) Clouds Over Target 2000', Cumulus, 4/10
(BASE IN FEET, TYPE AND TENTHS OF COVER)
- (d) Visibility of Target Clear beneath cloud base. (e) Visibility 25 Miles.
(CLEAR, HAZY, PARTIALLY OBSCURED BY CLOUDS, ETC.) (MILES)
- (f) Bombing Tactics: Type Glide Bomb Sight Used Mk. 8, Mod. 5, Unsight.
(LEVEL, GLIDE OR DIVE) (TYPE)
- Bombs Dropped per Run One Spacing 0 Altitude of Bomb Release 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 <u>Trucks and Buildings Area 536 S & J, 565 Q, R, & W.</u>		<u>12860-3 VF-60</u>	<u>4x335/ T.H.T. B. Bombs, 2x350/ Torped " "</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>See Below.</u>
2			<u>6x500/ G.F.</u>		
3			<u>5050 lbs. .50 Cal.</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. 5 Bombs were dropped in area 536 S and although no direct hits were made, two trucks and three small buildings were severely damaged by the explosions. 2 direct hits and two near misses were made on 6 or 8 small buildings in 536 J and all were demolished. Two bombs were dropped in area 565 Q R & W, Sinajana town, and at least one building was seen to disintegrate. All areas were then thoroughly strafed by all planes and, although no actual results were observed, trucks were seen to go into many buildings, some trucks, and gun positions. Two VT planes were seen to drop about 20x100' bombs into Sinajana town about the same time as planes from this base, but although they got good coverage of the town, no other results were observed.

(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 enemy 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 performed in a satisfactory manner with the exception of one on which the bomb failed to release. When later checked on deck and when the bomb was jettisoned in the water, everything checked O.K.

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H.O. Feilbach, Lt. Cdr. USNR, CO. VF-60 27 July, 1944

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VI. LOSS OR DAMAGE, COMBAT OR OPERATIONAL, OF OWN AIRCRAFT (of those listed in II only).

(a) TYPE OWN A/C	(b) SQUADRON	(c) CAUSE: TYPE ENEMY A/C, TYPE GUN, OR OPERATIONAL CAUSE	(d) WHERE HIT, ANGLE	(e) EXTENT OF LOSS OR DAMAGE, REMARKS
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VII. PERSONNEL CASUALTIES (in aircraft listed in II only; identify with planes listed in VI by Nos. at left).

[illegible]

VIII. RANGE, FUEL, AND AMMUNITION DATA

[illegible]

IX. COMPARATIVE PERFORMANCE, OWN AND ENEMY AIRCRAFT (use check list at left).

SPEED, CLIMB,
at various altitudes

TURNS
 DIVES
 CEILINGS
 RANGE
 PROTECTION
 ARMAMENT

No enemy aircraft were seen in the air.

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

Bomb and strafe enemy installations and targets of opportunity.

- (a) Location of Target(s) Guan Island. Marianas Islands. (b) Time Over Target(s) 1715 E -10 GCT
(c) Weather and Clouds Over Target 3000', Cumulus, 1/20
(d) Sun or Moon Sun High and Bright. Clear. (e) Visibility 25 miles.

XI. TARGETS, RESULTS OF ATTACK.

(a) DESCRIPTION OF TARGET (List All Ships in Group, Whether or Not Individually Attacked)	(b) A/C ATTACKING	(d) BOMBS AND AMMUNITION EXPENDED, EACH TARGET	(e) ALTITUDE OF RELEASE	(f) HITS
	(c) SQUADRON			
1 <u>Areas 538, 565, 452, 475.</u> <u>Enemy Installations.</u>	<u>1246F-3</u> <u>VP-60</u>	<u>2100 lbs. .50 cal.</u> <u>6x350 Depth Bombs.</u> <u>6x100 G.P.</u>	<u>1900' av 5</u> <u>1700' av. 6</u>	
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- (g) RESULTS: (FOR SHIP TARGETS 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, WITH DIAGRAMS OR CHARTS WHERE DESIRABLE. DESCRIBE TARGETS FULLY IN (a), AND IN REPORTING DAMAGE OR DESTRUCTION, IDENTIFY BY NUMBERS AT LEFT. USE ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY).

1. One bomb each hit in Area 538 G, 565 E-C-N-W. All bombs exploded within the assigned areas and two fires were started, but no other results were observed. One bomb was a dud.
2. 5 bombs landed in Area 452 N and H, and one in 451 I, and all were in areas as assigned. No visible results were observed.
3. All planes strafed the same areas that were bombed and a fire was started in a group of buildings in area 475 U, but there were no other visible results.

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

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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 enemy AA fire observed.

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ELECTRICAL SYSTEM

Auxiliary Plant
Lights

FUEL SYSTEM

FLIGHT CLOTHING

MAINTENANCE

BASE FACILITIES

Plane Servicing Equipment
Personnel Facilities

1. All aircraft on this mission functioned in a normal manner.

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