

AIRCRAFT ACTION REPORT

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REPORT No. VI-60 9-44

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

Suspected artillery positions in Target Areas 504, X and Y; 505, Uand V.

(a) Target(s) and Location(s) Quang I, Marianne Islands. (b) Time Over Target(s) 1500 (Zone)

(FOR SHIPS INCLUDE ALL IN AREA UNDER ATTACK)

(c) Clouds Over Target 2000', Cumulus, 6/10 Covered.
 (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 Mark 8 Gunsight.
 (LEVEL, GLIDE OR DIVE) (TYPE)

Bombs Dropped per Run Six Spacing 30', Train Altitude of Bomb Release 1900'
 (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 Area 504, X and Y Area 505 Uand V		1xTB-1c VI-60	12x100/ G. P.	12	See Below.
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3					
4					
5					
6					
7					
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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. This plane, which was carrying Marine Artillery spotter, made two runs dropping six bombs on each run. All bombs dropped within the Target areas, but due to trees, undergrowth, smoke, and debris, the results of this bombing could not be determined.

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

2. There was no AA fire observed.

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XIII. MATERIAL DATA. (Comment freely on performance or suitability, following check list at left.
Use additional sheets if necessary).

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. This plane functioned normally in all respects.

REPORT PREPARED BY:

APPROVED BY:

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SIGNATURE

RANK AND DUTY

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21 July, 1944.

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(a) Unit Reporting V760 (b) Based on or at U.S.S. SWANNEK, at sea (c) Report No. V7-50 #10-44
(d) Date of Action 23 July, 1944. (e) Take off: Time 1115 X-10 (GCT); Lat. xxx Long xxx
(f) Mission Support Air Observer
Guam Island, Marianas Islands. (g) Time of Return xxx (GCT)

(a) TYPE	(b) SQUADRON	(c) NO. OF SORTIES	(d) NO. ENGAGING ENEMY A/C	(e) NO. ATTACK- ING TARGET	(f) BOMBS AND TORPEDOES CARRIED (PER PLANE)	(g) FUZE, SETTING
TBM-1c	VF-60	1	0	0	None.	

TYPE	SQUADRON	NUMBER	BASE	TYPE	SQUADRON	NUMBER	BASE

(a) TYPE	(b) NO OBSERVED	(c) NO ENGAGING OWN A/C	(d) TIME ENCOUNTERED	(e) LOCATION OF ENCOUNTER	(f) BOMBS, TORPEDOES CARRIED; GUNS OBSERVED	(g) CAMOUFLAGE AND MARKING
			(GCT)			
			(GCT)			
			(GCT)			
			(GCT)			

(i) Weather and Clouds at Location of Encounter (s) _____

(j) Sun or Moon Day, Clear and Bright. (k) Visibility 20 Miles.

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

Support Air Observer over Northern Beach.

(a) Location of Target(s) Guam Island, Marianas Islands. (b) Time Over Target(s) 1130 K-10 GCT

(c) Weather and Clouds Over Target 2000', Cumulus, 3/10

(d) Sun or Moon Clear (e) Visibility 20 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>SAB, No Target</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. This TBM carrying the Marine SAB, was hit while flying in a southeasterly direction, about 500 yards inland from Adelup point, Guam Island, at an altitude of about 500' over the surface of the ground. The engine was hit by small caliber AA fire and immediately began to smoke badly and lose power. The pilot made a downwind landing at about 90 Kts. in the transport area and was almost immediately picked up. All four members of the plane's crew were taken to a transport and cared for.

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

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1. There were no enemy aircraft seen in the air.
2. The AA Fire was mostly small caliber and quite a few tracers were observed before the plane was hit. All occupants of the plane thought that the plane had been hit in other places aside from the engine as all felt the jars as the bullet hit, though this fact cannot be determined due to the loss of the aircraft.

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1. This aircraft was functioning normally in all respects before it was shot down.

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W.C. Vincent, Lt. Cdr. USNR CO VT-60

23 July 1944.

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I. GENERAL

(a) Unit Reporting VT-60 (b) Based on or at U.S.S. SUMNER, at sea, V.T.-60 #11-44 (c) Report No. _____

(d) Date of Action 27 July, 1944 (e) Take off: Time 0520 K-10 (GCT); Lat. XXX Long. XXX

Glide Bomb Diversion Area, Target Areas 512 and 513.

(f) Mission Guam Island, Marianas Islands. (g) Time of Return 0925 K-10 (GCT)

II. OWN AIRCRAFT OFFICIALLY COVERED BY THIS REPORT.

(a) TYPE	(b) SQUADRON	(c) NO. OF SORTIES	(d) NO. ENGAGING ENEMY A/C	(e) NO. ATTACK- ING TARGET	(f) BOMBS AND TORPEDOES CARRIED (PER PLANE)	(g) FUZE, SETTING
TBM-1c	VF-60	4	0	4	4x350# Torpex Depth Bombs	Inst. Nose. 25' Hydro.

III. OTHER U. S. OR ALLIED AIRCRAFT EMPLOYED IN THIS OPERATION.

TYPE	SQUADRON	NUMBER	BASE	TYPE	SQUADRON	NUMBER	BASE

IV. ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERED (By Own Aircraft Listed in II Only).

(a) TYPE	(b) NO OBSERVED	(c) NO ENGAGING OWN A/C	(d) TIME ENCOUNTERED	(e) LOCATION OF ENCOUNTER	(f) BOMBS, TORPEDOES CARRIED; GUNS OBSERVED	(g) CAMOUFLAGE AND MARKING
NO H E			(GCT)			
			(GCT)			
			(GCT)			
			(GCT)			

(h) Apparent Enemy Mission(s) None.

(i) Weather and Clouds at Location of Encounter(s) 2000', Cumulus, 5/10

(j) Sun or Moon Day, Clear under cloud base. (k) Visibility 15-20 miles.

V. ENEMY AIRCRAFT DESTROYED OR DAMAGED IN AIR (By Own Aircraft Listed in II Only).

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