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XIII. MATERIAL DATA.

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- 1. All aircraft functioned in a normal manner and radio communications were excellent.
- 2. It was prearranged that pilots would guard channels
 1 and 3 on the 233-A V.H.F. Channel 1 was used by the Support
 Air Commander and it was expected that flight leaders would
 also use this channel for directing the flight. However, this
 procedure invariably overtaxes channel 1 and interferes with
 important messages from the Support Air Commander. This Air
 Group used channel 3 for interplane communications and guarded
 channel 1 simultaneously. This very handy two-channel receiving
 arrangement, used with the 233-A V.H.F., is not possible with
 the new push button AN/ARC-5 equipment.



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(b) Time Over Target(s) (Zone)

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XI. ATTACK ON ENEMY SHIPS OF	GROUND OBJECTIVES (By Own Aircraft Lister	l in Il Only).
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- (0) 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 target was pin-pointed by shore based artillery firing white phospherous shells and all bombs dropped into the campon. One bomb failed to explode and the results of the other two were unobserved. The six bombs observed fell into the area marked by artillery and at least two buildings were hit. From here, these nine planes went on down to Tenian and strafed AA gan positions at Gurguan Field.
 - 2. Six of the bombs dropped in this area fell within 100° feet of the pin-pointed targets although there were no direct hits on the guns themselves. One bomb failed to explode on impact and the eighth one dropped off the plane when it was armed. Four of these planes then strafed AA gun positions at Ourgan airfield.

(p) Were Photographs Taken? 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

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Offensive Tactics, Own
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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
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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. The Japa still did not use tracers in their AA fire and the pilots could lesste the AA positions only by muscle flashes and by asoke.

XIII. MATERIAL DATA. (Comment freely on perfumance or suitability, following check list at left. Use additional seets 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

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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

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ELECTRICAL SYSTEM

Auxiliary Plant Lights

FUEL SYSTEM

FLIGHT CLOTHING

MAINTENANCE

BASE FACILITIES

Plane Servicing Equipment Personnel Facilities

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VIII.	RANGE, F	UEL, ANI	D AMMUN	ITION DAT	A FOR PLAN	ES RETU	RNING				
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(OMIT THIS SHEET IF NO ATTACK WAS MADE)

RESTRICTED (Reclassify when filled out)

	XI. ATTACK ON EN	IEMY SHIPS OR	GROUND OBJECT	TIVES (By Own Aircraft Listed	in II Only).		
(a)	Target(s) and Location	(FOR SHIP	S INCLUDE ALL IN AREA	under ATTACK) (b) Time Ove	er Target(s).	1220 -10 (Z	Zone)
(c)	Clouds Over Target	20001, 0	(BASE IN FEE	T, TYPE AND TENTHS OF COVER)	- y i		
(d)	Visibility of Target	Basy Ata	osphere	(e) \	/isibility	15 MI-e.	
	Bombing Tactics: Type		Y, PARTIALLY OBSCURED	Bomb Sight Us	sed	Canalaht	Ep.
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	Bombs Dropped per Rur	(NUMBER	Spacing	(FEET)	of bomb kele	(FEET)	
(g)	Number of Enemy Airc	craft Hit on Gro	und: Destroyed	Probably Destroyed_	ANGLES	_ Damaged	
	(h) AIMING POINT	DIMENSIONS OR TONNAGE	(j) NO. A/C ATTACKING (k) SQUADRON	BOMBS AND AMMUNITION EXPENDED, EACH AIMING POINT	NO. HITS On Aiming Point	DAMAGE (None, slig serious, destroyed or si	
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(0)	RESULTS: (For all hits claimed	d on ship targets and t	for land targets of special	interest, draw diagram, top or side view o	r both, as approp	riate, showing type and	location
	of hits. For all targets give lo	ocation and effect of I	nits, and identify by numb	ers above. Use additional sheets if necess	ary).		
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(p) Were Photographs Taken? 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 encountered.

March .