8 August 1944

OPERATIONS ORDER)

NUMBER 130)

- 1. a. See Latest Intelligence Summaries and Annex "A".
 - b. (1) Bombers: Five Gps B-17s, 5th Wg, will attack GYOR CAR and MACHINERY WKS and A/D ASSEMBLY PLANT (47° 42'N, 17° 39'E); time at KP 0925B. Four Gps B-24s, 47th Wg, will attack BUDAPEST/VECSES A/D INSTALLATIONS (47° 26'N, 19° 15'E); time at KP 0933B. Three Gps B-24s, 55th Wg, will attack BUDAPEST/TOKOL A/D INSTALLATIONS (47° 21'N, 18° 59'E); time at KP 0928B. 304th Wg Stand Down.

(2) Escort: Will provide penetration, target and withdrawal cover for each bomber Wing. High offensive cover will be provided for 5th and 49th Wgs.

2. Normal effort B-24s each 451st BG, 461st BG and 484th BG will attack ALMASFUZITO OIL REFINERY (47° 44'N, 18° 15'E) on 9 August 1944. This is Plan "A".

BOMBER RENDEZVOUS: 461st BG will be in rendezvous rectangle from 0817B until 0842B. 451st and 484th BG will follow SOP to rendezvous with lead Gp. 461st BG will enter rectangle at CANDELA, go around rectangle 1¹/₂ times and leave rectangle at BOVINO. Rendezvous altitudes: 7,000, 8,000, and 9,000 ft. FIGHTER BOMBER RENDEZVOUS: To be furnished later. WING FORMATION: Staggered column of Gps stepped up. AIR FORCE FORMATION: Triple parallel column of Wgs. Left column, 5th Wg; Middle column, 49th Wg; Right column, 55th Wg, 47th Wg. ORDER OF FLIGHT: 461st BG lead - 451st BG - 484th BG. ROUTE OUT: Base to Key Point to Turn Point #1 to IP to Target. KEY POINT: POVLJA (43° 20'N, 16° 50'E) Base altitude: 14,000 ft at 0936B. TURN POINT #1: BELAVAR (46° 07'N, 17° 13'E). TURN POINT #2: CZECZE (46° 46'N, 18° 38'E). TURN POINT #3: MODRICA (44° 56'N, 18° 18'E). INITIAL POINT: KISBER (47° 31'N, 18° 03'E). AXIS OF ATTACK: 35° TC. AIMING POINT: Optional on Target Chart 13-60-NA. INTERVALOMETER SETTING: Optional. AREA TO BE BOMBED: 461 - Bldg between J/K-15/16 and 16; 451 - Bldg between J/K and K-14/15 and 15; 484 - Between J/K and K-14. TARGET TIME: 1100B. BOMBING ALTITUDE: (461st BG - 17,000), (451st BG - 18,000), (484th BG -19,000 ft). TARGET ELEVATION: 360 ft. RALLY: Right. ROUTE BACK: Target to Turn Point #2 to Turn Point #3 to Key Point to base.

- FIRST ALTERNATE TARGET: BROD SOUTH M/Y and OIL REFINERY (45° 08'N, 17°
 59'E). Axis of attack: 105° TC. Rally: right. IP: PROVO
 SELO (45° 14'N, 17° 31'E). Bombing altitude: (461st 20,000), (451st 21,000), 484th 22,000). Area to be
 bombed: 461st F/G-7; 451st H-10; 484th I/J-12, on
 target chart 8-36-NA. Target elevation: 300 feet.
 - 3. x. (1) Three Gps load 500# GP fused .1 nose and .025 tail.
 - (2) PFF A/C will be used for Navigation only.
 - (3) Gps will go into left echelon at LAKE BALATON and be at bombing altitude at LAKE BALATON.
 - (4) Close timing is called for as well as all targets are to be
 - hit as near the same time as possible.
 - 4. No Change.
 - 5. (1) Command Radio: SOP.
 - (2) Bomber Call Signs: (5th Wg, "Sadler"), (47th Wg, "Roosevelt"), (304th Wg, "Seedcake 2"), (55th Wg, "Front Room"), (451st BG, "Airslug 2"), (461st BG, "Airslug 1"), (484th BG, "Airslug 3").

 - (4) Recall Identification Codeword: (5th Wg, "Wolf"), (47th Wg, "Hurricane"), (55th Wg, "Tavern"), 49th Wg, "Thrill"), (306th Wg, "Proudfoot").
 - (5) Bomber-Fighter VHF Channel: "A".
 - (6) Visual Signals: SOP for 49th Wg.

Aldis Lamp: SOP for 49th Wg.

- b. (1) Combat Wing Commander: Lt. Col. Knapp.
 - (2) Deputy Combat Wing Commander: Capt. Rider.

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