

HEADQUARTERS 49TH BOMBARDMENT WING (H)
APO 520 U S ARMY

13 August 1944

OPERATIONS ORDER)

NUMBER 135)

1. a. See Latest Intelligence Summaries and Annex "A".

b. (1) Bombers: Four Gps B-17s, 5th Wg, will attack GUN POSITIONS IN SOOUTHERN FRANCE; target time 1030B and 1040B. One Gp will attack GUN POSITIONS IN SOOUTHERN FRANCE; target time 1620B. Four Gps B-24s, 47th Wg, will attack GUN POSITIONS IN SOUTHERN FRANCE; target time 1050B and 1100B. Four Gps B-24s, 55th Wg, will attack the same 8 GUN POSITION as the 49th Wg; target time 1630B and 1640B. 304th Wg, will attack the same GUN POSITIONS as the 47th Wg; target time 1030B and 1040B.

(2) Escort: Three Gps fighters will attack RADAR STATIONS IN SOUTHERN FRANCE 20 minutes ahead of bomber time in that area. On the completion of RADAR strafing fighters will conduct medium altitude fighter sweep of bomber target area.

2. Normal effort B-24s each 451st BG, 461st BG and 484th BG will attack GUN POSITIONS NORTHEAST OF TOULON on 14 August 1944. This is Plan "A".

BOMBER RENDEZVOUS: 461st BG will line rendezvous behind 484th BG over Bovino when the 484th flies over BOVINO on a TC of 282° at 1338B. Rendezvous altitudes at the discretion of GP commanders.

FIGHTER BOMBER RENDEZVOUS: None.

WING FORMATION: 484th and 461st in one wave; 451st in second wave.

AIR FORCE FORMATION: Individual Gps in loose column.

ORDER OF FLIGHT: 484th BG lead - 461st BG - 451st BG,.

ROUTE OUT: Base to CP to TP #1 to IP to Target.

CONTROL POINT: LIDO (41° 44'N, 12° 14'E) Base altitude: 12,000 ft.

TURN POINT #1: (42° 42'N, 09° 03'E).

TURN POINT #2: PIOMBINO (42° 56'N, 10° 32'E).

INITIAL POINT: 484th and 461st BGs (43° 10'N, 07° 10'E). 451st BG (43° 10'N, 07° 00'E).

AXIS OF ATTACK: Generally east to west.

AIMING POINT: Optional.

INTERVALOMETER SETTING: Optional.

AREA TO BE BOMBED: 484th BG - Gun positions located at (B) U-448178 and (B) U-522180. 461st BG - Gun positions located at (B) U-546259 and (V) S-205513. 451st BG - Gun positions located at (B) Z-123888, (B) Z-276958, (B) Z-396918 and (B) R-516092. 484th and 451st BGs targets are on standard military grid sheet 15R. 461st BG targets are on standard military grid sheet 16Q.

TARGET TIME: 484th and 461st - 1600B. 451st - 1610B.

BOMBING ALTITUDE: 484th - 19,000; 461st - 20,000. 451st - 20,000.
TARGET ELEVATION: 484th - 448178 - Sea Level, 522180 - 25 ft. 461st -
546259 - 100 ft, 205513 - 25 ft. 451st - 123888 - 25 ft,
276958 - 150 ft, 396918 - 50 ft, 516092 - 150 ft.

RALLY: Left.

ROUTE BACK: Target to TP #2 to Bases.

ALTERNATE TARGETS: None.

3. x. (1) Three Gps load 1000# GP fused .1 nose and .025 tail.
- (2) IFF will will be switched "ON" at all times.
- (3) Lead attack unit of 484th and 451st only will load two (2) cartons Window. Dispensing to begin 2 minutes before IP and continue at the rate of four (4) units every 20 seconds until clear of flak.
- (4) PFF A/C Stand Down.
- (5) Route out and route back must be flown as briefed. Avoid all shipping by at least 10 miles.
- (6) Bomb only briefed targets by visual means only. There are no alternate targets and if primary cannot be bombed return bombs to base.
- (7) PIOMBINO A/D has adequate facilities for servicing A/C and is the A/D that bombers and fighters are to land on if they cannot make base. Do not land in CORSICA unless in extreme emergency.
- (8) 484th and 461st BGs will descend to below 18,000 ft after leaving target so as not to interfere with 451st BG approaching IP.
- (9) 484th and 461st BGs will attack as the first wave and the 451st BG will attack as the second wave.

4. No Change.

5. (1) Command Radio: SOP.
- (2) Bomber Call Signs: (5th Wg, "Shortbread"), (47th Wg, "Saxhorn 2"), (304th Wg, "Saxhorn 1"), (55th Wg, "Pusscat 3"), (451st BG, "Pusscat 13"), (461st BG, "Pusscat 12"), (484th BG, "Pusscat 11").
- (3) Fighter Call Signs: None.
- (4) Recall Identification Codeword: (5th Wg, "Snob"), (47th Wg, "Shanty"), (304th Wg, "Diamond"), (55th Wg, "Wolf"), 49th Wg, "Shampoo").
- (5) Bomber-Fighter VHF Channel: "A".
- (6) Visual Signals: SOP.

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- b. (1) Combat Wing Commander: Major Derdby.
- (2) Deputy Combat Wing Commander: Major Milam.

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