28 August 1944

OPERATIONS ORDER)

NUMBER 148)

- 1. a. See Latest Intelligence Summaries and Annex "A".
  - b. (1) Bombers: Six Gps B-17s, 5th Wg, will destroy MORAVSKA OSTRAVA MAIN M/Y (49° 51'N, 18° 16'E), PRIVOSER OIL REFINERY (49° 51'N, 18° 21'E) and BOHUMIN OIL REFINERY (49° 54'N, 18° 21'E); time at KP 1025B. Four Gps B-24s, 47th Wg, will destroy FERRARA RR BRIDGE (44° 53'N, 11° 37'E), BOROVNICE RR BRIDGE (45° 55'N, 14° 22'E) and SALCANO RR BRIDGE (49° 59'N, 13° 42'E); Target time 1000B. Four Gps, B-24s, 55th Wg, will destroy MORAVSKA OSTRAVA SOUTH M/Y (49° 49'N, 18° 13'E); time at KP 0905B. Four Gps, B-24s, 304th Wg, will destroy MORAVSKA OSTRAVA TANK WORKS (49° 49'N, 18° 17'E); time at KP 0915B. One Gp fighters will attack LATISANA BRIDGE by high altitude bombing.
    - (2) Escort: No escort for 49th Wg.
- 2. Normal effort B-24s 451st BG and 461st BG will attack SZEGED M/Y (46° 15'N, 20° 09'E). Normal effort B-24s 484th BG will attack SZEGED RR BRIDGE (46° 15'N, 20° 09'E) on 29 August 1944. This is Plan "A".

BOMBER RENDEZVOUS: 451st BG will be in rendezvous rectangle from 0711B until 0731B. 461st BG and 484th BG will follow SOP to rendezvous with lead Gp. Lead Gp will enter rectangle at BOVINO and depart from BOVINO via CASALNUOVO. Rendezvous altitudes: 5,000; 6,000; 7,000.

FIGHTER BOMBER RENDEZVOUS: None.

WING FORMATION: Staggered column of Gps stepped up.

AIR FORCE FORMATION: None for 49th Wg.

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

ROUTE OUT: Base to TP #1 to TP #2 to TP #3 to IP to target.

KEY POINT: BOHONYE (46° 24'N, 17° 23'E) at 0930B.

TURN POINT #1: SCEDRO ISLAND (43° 05'N, 16° 43'E).

TURN POINT #2: KECSKEMET (46° 55'N, 19° 42'E).

TURN POINT #3: SZARUAS (46° 53'N, 20° 33'E).

INITIAL POINT: OROSHAZA (46° 33'N, 20° 40'E).

AXIS OF ATTACK: 228° TC.

AIMING POINT: Optional.

INTERVALOMETER SETTING: Optional.

AREA TO BE BOMBED:  $(484^{th} - Target #1)$ ;  $(461^{st} - Target #3)$ ;  $451^{st} - Target 3A)$ .

TARGET TIME: 1029B.

BOMBING ALTITUDE: (451st BG - 17,000; (461st BG - 18,000); (484<sup>th</sup> BG - 19,000).

TARGET ELEVATION: 270 ft.

RALLY: Straight.

ROUTE BACK: Target to TP #1 to Bases.

- FIRST ALTERNATE TARGET: SUBOTICA M/Y (46° 47'N, 19° 41'E). Axis of attack: 188° TC. IP: KIS\_KUM\_MASSA (46° 29'N, 19° 44'E). Rally: Straight. Bombing altitude: (451st BG 17,000; (461st BG 18,000); (484th BG 19,000). Area to be bombed: Main M/Y on Target Chart: 8-40-NA. Target elevation: 380 ft.
- SECOND ALTERNATE TARGET: TIMISOARA M/Y (45° 46'N, 21° 13'E). Axis of attack: 357° TC. IP: VOITEG (45° 28'N, 21° 15'E). Rally: Left. Bombing altitude: (451st BG 20,000; (461st BG 21,000); (484th BG 22,000). Area to be bombed: Target #1 on Briefing Chart 11-18-NA. Target elevation: 282 ft.
- THIRD ALTERNATE TARGET: SARAJEVO (43° 51'N, 18° 22'E). Axis of attack: 39° TC. IP: DUBOCANI (43° 35'N, 18° 05'E). Rally: Left. Bombing altitude: (451st BG 20,000; (461st BG 21,000); (484th BG 22,000). Area to be bombed: All Gps Target #1 on Briefing Chart 8-18-NA. Target elevation: 1885 ft.
  - 3. x. (1) 451st and 461st BGs load 500# GP fused .1 sec nose and .01 tail.
    - (2) Gps will be at bombing altitude at Turn Point #2.
    - (3) The KP for 5th, 55th and 304th Wgs is the same as the 49th Wg Turn Point #1.
    - (4) PFF A/C may lead if desired for navigational purposes only.
    - (5) The 49th Wg is to carry out a diversionary attack intended to flush the Vienna fighters without engaging them, thus reducing the threat to the main bomber force. To make this effective specified routes and timing must be made good.
  - 4. No Change.
  - 5. (1) Command Radio: SOP.
    - (2) Bomber Call Signs: (5th Wg, "Freezol 1"), (47th Wg, "Betty"), (304th Wg, "Freezol 3"), (55th Wg, "Freezol 2"), (451st BG, "Jughead 1"), (461st BG, "Jughead 2"), (484th BG, "Jughead 3").
    - (3) Fighter Call Signs: None for 49th Wg.
    - (4) Recall Identification Codeword: (5th Wg, "Bootlegger"), (47th Wg, "Manhattan"), (304th Wg, "Marshland"), (55th Wg, "Darkhorse"), (49th Wg, "Sweatshirt"), (306th Wg, "Blackjack").
    - (5) Bomber-Fighter VHF Channel: "A".
    - (6) Visual Signals: SOP.

Aldis Lamp: SOP.

- b. (1) Combat Wing Commander: Major Younkin.
  - (2) Deputy Combat Wing Commander: Major Anderson.

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