31 October 1944

OPERATIONS ORDER)

NUMBER 229)

- 1. a. See Latest Intelligence Summaries and Annex "A".
 - b. (1) Bombers: Six Gps B-17s, 5th Wg, will destroy VIENNA SOUTH ORDNANCE DEPOT; KP time 1117A. Four Gps B-24s, 47th Wg (Max Effort), will destroy VIENNA SOUTH GOODS SIDINGS (48-11N, 16-21E); time at KP 1131A. Four Gps B-24s, 55th Wg, will destroy OSTERRERRISCHE/SAUERWERKE (48-11N, 16-26E); time at KP 1149A. Four Gps B-24s, 304th Wg, will destroy VIENNA SCHONBRUN ORDNANCE DEPOT (48-11N, 16-18E); time at KP 1159A.
 - (2) Escort: 15th Ftr Cmd will provide close escort for all Wgs on penetration, over target, and on withdrawal and chaff dispensing A/C for the lead of 5th Wg and 47th Wg.
- 2. Normal effort (28 A/C per Gp) B-24s each 451st BG, 461st BG and 484th BG will destroy VIENNA SOUTH ORDNANCE DEPOT (48-12N, 16-23E) on 1 November 1944. This is Plan "A".

BOMBER RENDEZVOUS: 451st BG will be in rendezvous rectangle from 1007A until 1027A. 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: 8,000 ft, 9,000 ft, and 10,000 ft.

FIGHTER BOMBER RENDEZVOUS: See Para. 1. b. (2). To be furnished later. WING FORMATION: Staggered column of Gps stepped up.

AIR FORCE FORMATION: Close column of Wgs in order: 5th Wg, 47th Wg, 49th Wg, 55th Wg, 304th Wg.

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

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

KEY POINT: UNIE (44-38N, 14-15E) Base alt: 18,000 feet at 1141A.

TURN POINT #1: (44-00N, 13-50E).

TURN POINT #2: LJUTOMER (46-31N, 16-11E).

TURN POINT #3: LANGENWANG (47-33N, 15-36E).

TURN POINT #4: MODRA (48-20N, 17-19E).

TURN POINT #5: FEL BAR (47-57N, 17-28E).

TURN POINT #6: CZELLDOMOLK (47-16N, 17-09E).

INITIAL POINT: HOHENBERG (47-55N, 15-37E).

AXIS OF ATTACK: 60° TC.

AIMING POINT: Optional.

INTERVALOMETER SETTING: Optional.

AREA TO BE BOMBED: All Gps MPI at T/U-11 on Target Chart 14-23-NA.

TARGET TIME: 1256A.

BOMBING ALTITUDE: (451st BG- 24,000 ft.), (461st BG- 25,000 ft.), (484th BG- 26,000 ft.).

TARGET ELEVATION: 575 ft. RALLY: Left then right.

ROUTE BACK: Tgt to TP #4 to TP #5 to TP #6 to TP #2 then reciprocal of Rout Out.

FIRST ALTERNATE TARGET: Primary by PFF.

- SECOND ALTERNATE TARGET: KAFFENBURG TANK FCTY (47-27N, 15-17E) Axis of attack: 13°TC. RALLY: Left. IP: VOITBERG (47-03N, 15-09E). Bombing altitude: (451st BG- 22,000 ft.), (461st BG- 23,000 ft.), (484th BG- 24,000 ft.). Area to be bombed: Tgt #1 on BC 14-16. 451st BG- Foundry, 461st BG- Foundry and Machine Shops, 484th BG- Machine and Assembly Shops. Target Chart: None. Target elevation: 1721 ft.
- THIRD ALTERNATE: GRAZ M/Y (47-05N, 15-24E). Axis of attack: 28° TC. RALLY: Left. IP: LANDSBERG (46-49N, 15-12E). Bombing altitude: 22,000, 23,000, 24,000 ft. Area to be bombed: Tgt #1 on BRCH 14-41-NA. Target elevation: 1180 ft.
- FOURTH ALTERNATE: GRAZ/WETZELDORF ORD. DEPOT (47-03N, 15-24E). Axis of attack: 29° TC. RALLY: Sharp left. IP: LANDSBERG (46-49N, 15-12E). Bombing altitude: 22,000, 23,000, 24,000 ft. Area to be bombed: MPI All Gps at F/G-7. Target Chart 14-41-NA. Target elevation: 1180 ft.
 - 3. x. (1) All Gps load 500 # RDX fused .1 nose and .01 tail.
 - (2) Gps will be at bombing altitude at TP #3 and go into left echelon at TP #3.
 - (3) Maximum PFF A/C will lead all. Employ SOP.
 - 4. No Change.
 - 5. a. (1) Command Radio: SOP
 - (2) Bomber Call Signs: (5th Wg, "Seedcake 1"), (47th Wg, "Seedcake 2"), (451st BG, "Seedcake 31"), (461st BG, "Seedcake 32"), (484th BG, "Seedcake 33"), (55th Wg, "Seedcake 4"), (304th Wg, "Seedcake 5").
 - (3) Fighter Call Signs: Escort will use "Pusscat" with numbered suffixes in order of contact with bomber formation. WX Recon A/C Route Out: "Retain 1", Route Back: "Retain 2".

 - (5) Bomber-Fighter and WX Recon VHF Channel: "A".
 - (6) Visual Signals: SOP.

Aldis Lamp: SOP.

- (7) All units so equipped will employ carpet. All A/C of 451st BG and 461st BG load 4 cartons Window CHA-3. Dispensing will begin 3 minutes before IP and continue at the rate of 6 bundles every 20 seconds until clear of flak. All A/C of 484th BG load 2 carton Window CHA-3(3). Dispensing will begin 3 minutes before IP and continue at the rate of 3 bundles every 20 seconds until clear of flak.
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