

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

2 November 1944

OPERATIONS ORDER)

NUMBER 232)

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

b. (1) Bombers: 36 A/C, 5th Wg, will destroy VIENNA SOUTH ORDNANCE DEPOT (48-11N, 16-24E. 12 A/C, 47th Wg, will destroy MOOSBIERBAUM OIL REFINERY (48-20N, 15-55E. 12 A/C, 55th Wg, will destroy MUNICH WEST M/Y (48-08N, 11-31E). 12 A/C, 304th Wg, will destroy LINZ BENZOLE PLANT (48-17N, 14-19E).

(2) Escort: No escort. 15th Ftr Cmd stand down.

2. Four PFF A/C each 451st BG, 461st BG and 484th BG will attack LINZ BENZOLE PLANT (48-17N, 14-19E) on 3 November 1944. This is Plan Able.

BOMBER RENDEZVOUS: None.

FIGHTER BOMBER RENDEZVOUS: See Para. 1. b. (2).

WING FORMATION: Column of Individual A/C.

AIR FORCE FORMATION: None.

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

ROUTE OUT: Base to KP to TP #1 to TP #2 to TP #3 to TP #4 to TP #5 to IP to Target.

KEY POINT: MANFREDONIA (41-38N, 15-55E) at 8,000 ft at (484th BG between 1005A and 1010A), (451st BG between 1010A and 1015A), (461st BG between 1015A and 1020A).

TURN POINT #1: VIS (43-03N, 16-10E).

TURN POINT #2: SANSEGO (44-31N, 14-19E).

TURN POINT #3: S. PIETRO (45-40N, 14-11E).

TURN POINT #4: SPITTAL (46-48N, 13-30E).

TURN POINT #5: ST. WOLFGANG (47-44N, 13-28E).

TURN POINT #6: AMSTETTEN (48-08N, 14-52E).

TURN POINT #7: UNZMARK (47-12N, 14-27E).

TURN POINT #8: PROKIKE (44-59N, 15-04E).

TURN POINT #9: (44-00N, 14-50E).

INITIAL POINT: GRIESKIRCHEN (48-14N, 13-50E).

AXIS OF ATTACK: 81° TC.

AIMING POINT: Optional.

INTERVALOMETER SETTING: Optional.

AREA TO BE BOMBED: All A/C MPI, M-12/13, Target #1 on Briefing Chart 14-50A-NA.

TARGET TIME: Optional.

BOMBING ALTITUDE: Optional.

TARGET ELEVATION: 849 ft.

RALLY: Sharp left until clear of flak then right.

ROUTE BACK: Target to TP #6 to TP #7 to TP #8 to TP #9 to Bases.

ALTERNATE TARGETS: None.

3. x. (1) All A/C load 500# RDX fused .1 nose and .01 tail.
(2) PFF A/C will bomb targets individually.
(3) All crews are requested to observe this operation with exceptional care in order to derive full benefits for future operations.
(4) A/C forced to return early will fly at a minimum safe altitude to keep clear of A/C on route out.
(5) Pathfinder Operators will report to and be interrogated by their S-2s immediately on termination of mission.
(6) Each ship will have its own flash report which will be phoned in to A-2 immediately. Each ship will also send radio bombs away flash.
(7) All A/C will reach 20,000 ft before reaching the Alps.

4. No Change.

5. a. (1) Command Radio: SOP.
(2) Bomber Call Signs: (5th Wg, "Boulder"), (47th Wg, "Sadler"), (451st BG, "Bartend 2"), (461st BG, "Bartend 3"), (484th BG, "Bartend 1"), (55th Wg, "Pumpup"), (304th Wg, "Kiddies").
(3) Fighter Call Signs: No escort.
(4) Recall Identification Codeword: (5th Wg, "Skipper"), 47th Wg, "Ducksoup"), (49th Wg, "Trumpet"), (55th Wg, "Poorbred"), (304th Wg, "Manhattan").
(5) Bomber-Fighter 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 three (3) cartons Windows. Dispensing will begin 3 minutes before IP and continue at the rate of six (6) bundles every 20 seconds until clear of flak. All A/C of 484th BG load three (3) carton Window. Dispensing will begin 3 minutes before IP and continue at the rate of three (3) bundles every 20 seconds until clear of flak.

- b. (1) Combat Wing Commander: None.

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