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OPERATIONS ORDER)

NUMBER 234)

- 1. a. See Latest Intelligence Summaries and Annex "A".
 - b. (1) Bombers: Six Gps B-17s, 5th Wg, will destroy REGENSBURG/WINTERHAVEN OIL STORAGE (49-01N, 12-08E); time at KP 0934A. Four Gps B-24s, 47th Wg, will destroy MUNICH WEST M/Y(48-08N, 11-31E); time at KP 0953A. Four Gps B-24s, 55th Wg, will destroy LINZ BENZOL PLANT (48-17N, 14-20E); time at KP 1011A. Four Gps B-24s, 304th Wg, will destroy LINZ LINZ MAIL M/Y(48-17N, 14-18E); time at KP 1021A.
 - (2) Escort: 15th Ftr Cmd will provide close escort for 47th, 49th, 55th, and 304th Wgs, and strong close escort for 5th Wg. 15th Ftr Cmd will provide Chaff dropping A/C for lead of 47th Wg, then top target cover over AUGSBURG.
- 2. Maximum effort B-24s (36 A/C per Gp) each 451st BG, 461st BG and 484th BG will attack AUGSBURG M/Y (48-22N, 10-52E) on 4 November 1944. This is Plan "A".

BOMBER RENDEZVOUS: 484th BG will be in rendezvous rectangle from 0835A until 0858A. 451st BG and 461st BG will follow SOP to rendezvous with lead Gp. 484th BG will enter rectangle at CANDELA and depart from Bovino vis CASALNUOVO. Rendezvous altitudes 7,000, 8,000, and 9,000 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: 484th BG lead- 451st BG- 461st BG. ROUTE OUT: Base to KP to TP #1 to CP to TP #2 to TP #3 to TP #4 to TP #5 to IP to Tqt. KEY POINT: ANCONA (43-37N, 13-31E). Base altitude 16,000 ft at 1003A. CONTROL POINT: MONTEREALE (46-10N, 12-40E). TURN POINT #1: (44-20N, 12-40E). TURN POINT #2: SCHWAZ (47-22N, 11-42E). TURN POINT #3: WALLGAU (47-31N, 11-17E). TURN POINT #4: KEMPTEN (47-43N, 10-19E). TURN POINT #5: OCHCHEN-HAUSEN (48-04N, 09-58E). TURN POINT #6: SCHROBENHAUSEN (48-33N, 11-16E). TURN POINT #7: DORFEN (48-17N, 12-09E). INITIAL POINT: ICHENHAUSEN (48-22N, 10-19E). AXIS OF ATTACK: 90° TC. AIMING POINT AND INTERVALOMETER SETTING: Optional.

AREA TO BE BOMBED: Between G-21 to K15/16. MPI (484th BG- I/J-16/17, (451st BG- H-18), (461st BG- G-20/21), on Target Chart 13-1-NA. TARGET TIME: 1217A. BOMBING ALTITUDE: (484th BG- 24,000 ft), (451st BG- 25,000 ft), (461st BG-26,000 ft). TARGET ELEVATION: 1615 ft. RALLY: Left. ROUTE BACK: Target to TP #6 to TP #7 to CP then reciprocal of Route Out. FIRST ALTERNATE TARGET: KUFSTEIN M/Y (47-35N, 12-10E). Axis of Attack: 111° TC. Rally: Right. IP ROTTACH (47-42N, 11-46E). Bombing altitude: (484th BG- 19,000 ft), (451st BG-20,000 ft), (461st BG- 21,000 ft). Area to be bombed: Target #1 on Brch 13-111-NA. Target Chart: 13-111-NA. Target elevation: 1640 ft. SECOND ALTERNATE TARGET: INNSBRUCK M/Y (47-16N, 11-24E). Axis of Attack: 89°TC. Rally: Right. IP HAIMING (47-15N, 10-53E). Bombing altitude: (484th BG- 22,000 ft), (451st BG-23,000 ft), (461st BG- 24,000 ft). Area to be bombed: Target #1 on Brch 14-13-NA. Target Chart: 14-13-NA. Target elevation: 1185 ft. x. (1) ½ ea Gp load 500# RDX fused .1 nose and .01 tail, with 2 3. bombs per A/C fused delay from 6 to 72 hours. $\frac{1}{2}$ ea Gp load M-17 incendiaries.

(2) Gps will be at bombing altitude at TP #5 and go into left Echelon at TP #5.

(3) Maximum PFF A/C will lead all groups. Employment SOP. This is a planned PFF mission. Visual bombing will be conducted if weather permits.

4. No Change.

5. a. (1) Command Radio: SOP.

- (2) Bomber Call Signs: (5th Wg, "Headtop"), (47th Wg, "Schoolroom"), (451st BG, "Flywheel 2"), (461st BG, "Flywheel 3"), (484th BG, "Flywheel 1"), (55th Wg, "Somegirl"), (304th Wg, "Firtree").
- (3) Fighter Call Signs: 49th Wg escort will use "Falseteeth. WX Recon A/C: (Route Out: "Freezol 1"), (Route Back: "Freezol 2").
- (4) Recall Identification Codeword: (5th Wg, "Sweatshirt"), 47th
 Wg, "Darkhorse"), (49th Wg, "Flatbush"), (55th Wg,
 "Sailfish"), (304th Wg, "Bighouse"), (15th Ftr Cmd,
 "Skipper").
- (5) Bomber-Fighter and WX Recon VHF Channel: "A".
- (6) Visual Signals: SOP for 49th Wg.

Aldis Lamp: SOP for 49th Wg.

(7) All units so equipped will employ carpet. All A/C of 451st BG and 461st BG load four (4) cartons Windows (CHA-3). Dispensing will begin three (3) minutes before IP and continue at the rate of

six (6) bundles every twenty (20) seconds until clear of flak. All A/C of 484th BG load two (2) carton Window(CHA-3-(3)). Dispensing will begin 3 minutes before IP and continue at the rate of three (3) bundles every twenty (20) seconds until clear of flak.

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