14 November 1944

OPERATIONS ORDER)

NUMBER 252)

- 1. a. See latest Intelligence Summaries and Annex "A".
  - b. (1) Bombers: 36 PFF A/C, 5th Wg, will destroy LINZ BENZOL Oil RFY (48-17N, 14-19E) target time 1100 to 1125A. 16 PFF A/C, 47th Wg, will destroy INNSBRUCK MAIN M/Y; target time 1000A to 1015A. 20 PFF A/C, 55th Wg, will destroy LINZ BENZOL Oil RFY; target time 1130 to 1145A. 20 PFF A/C, 304th Wg, will destroy LINZ BENZOL Oil RFY; target time 1150 to 1205A.
    - (2) Escort: 15th Ftr Cmd. Stand Down.
- 2.4 PFF A/C per Gp each 451st BG, 461st BG and 484th BG will attack by individual A/C INNSBRUCK MAIN M/Y (47-16N, 11-24E) on 15 November 1944. This is Plan "C".

BOMBER RENDEZVOUS: None. Departure point for all A/C will be CASALNUOVO. First A/C of 451st BG will leave departure point at 0705A at 6,000 ft. First A/C of 461st BG will leave departure point at 0710A at 6,000 ft. First A/C of 484th BG will leave departure point at 0715A at 6,000 ft.

WING FORMATION: Loose column of individual aircraft.

AIR FORCE FORMATION: None.

ORDER OF FLIGHT: 45st BG lead- 461st BG- 484th BG.

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

KEY POINT: SANSEGO (44-30N, 14-19E) Altitude optional above 16,000 ft.

TURN POINT #1: COAST (45-07N, 14-17E).

TURN POINT #2: WEISZEN LAKE (46-41N, 13-24E).

TURN POINT #3: S. GIORGIO (46-02N, 12-52E).

TURN POINT #4: CAORLE (45-36N, 12-53E).

INITIAL POINT: WORGEL (47-30N, 12-03E).

AXIS OF ATTACK: 243°.

AIMING POINT AND INTERVALOMETER SETTING: Optional.

AREA TO BE BOMBED: MPI: All A/C K-10/11. Target Chart 14-13-NA.

TARGET TIME: 451- 0930 to 0935A. 461- 0935 to 0940A. 484- 0940A to 0945A.

BOMBING ALTITUDE: Optional.

TARGET ELEVATION: 1885 ft.

RALLY: Left.

ROUTE BACK: Target to TP #3 to TP #4 to Base.

ALTERNATES: None.

- 3. x. (1) All Gps load 500# RDX fused .1 nose and .01 tail. 2 bombs per A/C fused for long delay of 6 to 72 hours.
  - (2) All Gps must adhere strictly to assigned target time block to avoid confusion with each other in the target area.

- 4. No Change.
- 5. a. (1) Command Radio: SOP.

  - (3) Fighter Call Signs: No escort.
  - (4) Recall Identification Codeword: 5th Wg, "Carson"), (47th Wg, "Trumpet"), (49th Wg, "Panhandle"), (55th Wg, "Pickpocket"), (304th Wg, "Quaker").
  - (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 4 cartons Windows (CHA-3). 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 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. This loading is based on 72 bundles per carton. If cartons containing more small bundles are used fewer cartons are needed.

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