49 BOMBARDMENT WING (H)

OPERATIONS REPORT

| | 461st Gp | 451st Gp | 484th Gp |
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| DATE: | 4-17-44 | 4-17-44 | |
| EFFORT: | Normal | Normal | |
| LOAD: | Fragmentation | Fragmentation | |
| RENDEZVOUS: | 5000' over Spinazzola at 1021B | 5000' over Spinazzola at 1021B | |
| TARGET: | Belgrade-Zemun A/D | Belgrade-Zemun A/D | |
| TAKE OFF: No. of A/C | 36 | 37 | |
| Time | 0933В | 0931B | |
| ABORTIVES: | 0 | 0 | |
| EARLY RETURNS: | 2 | 1 | |
| PRIOR RETURNS: | 34 | 0 | |
| TARGET: No. of A/C | 0 | 35 | |
| Time | - | 1210 | |
| MISSING: | 0 | 1 | |
| RETURNING: No. of A/C | 34 | 35 | |
| Time | 1400B | 1604 | |
| REMARKS: | Entire Gp returned. Did not bomb target | One plane lost to flak at Mostar while enroute to target. Three chutes were seen. Target well covered. | |

Add'l A/C Involved: Bombers: 5^{th} Wing - six Gps (adjoining area); 55^{th} Wing - One Gp. Escort: Two P-38 Gps; One P-47 Gp.