18 July 1944

OPERATIONS ORDER)

NUMBER 112)

- 1. a. See Latest Intelligence Summaries and Annex "A".
 - b. (1) Bombers: Six Gps B-17s, 5th Wg, will attack MILBERTSHOFFEH Ordnance Depot (48° 11'N, 11° 35'E); time at KP 0957B. Four Gps B-24s, 47th Wg, will attack NEUAUBING A/C FACTORY (48° 08'N, 11° 24'E); time at KP 1021B. Four Gps B-24s, 55th Wg, will attack ALLACH ENGINE FACTORY (48° 12'N, 11° 28'E); time at KP 1011B. 304th Wg Stand Down.
 - (2) Escort: Will provide penetration, target, and withdrawal cover for bombers.
- 2. Normal effort B-24s each 451st BG, 461st BG and 484th BG will attack SCHLEISSHEIM A/D Installations (48° 14'N, 11° 34'E) on 19 July 1944. This is Plan "B".
- FIRST ALTERNATE TARGET: East End of MUNICH Main M/Y by PFF. SECOND ALTERNATE TARGET: VILLACH M/Y (46° 37'N, 13° 51'E). Axis of Attack: 120° TC. Rally: Left. Bombing Altitudes: (484th BG - 20,000 ft), (461st BG - 21,000 ft), (451st BG - 22,000 ft). Area to be Bombed: Target #1 on Briefing Chart 14-44-NA. Target Elevation: 1692 ft. Intervalometer Setting: Optional. THIRD ALTERNATE TARGET: TRIESTI OIL STORAGE (45° 38'N, 13° 46'E). Axis of Attack: 160° TC. Rally: Left. Bombing Altitudes: (484th BG - 20,000 ft), (461st BG - 21,000 ft), (451st BG - 22,000 ft). Area to be Bombed: Target #6 on Briefing Chart 4-116-NA. Target Elevation: Sea Level. FOURTH ALTERNATE TARGET: FIUME OIL REFINERY (45° 19'N, 14° 28'E). Axis of Attack: 160° TC. Rally: Left. Bombing Altitudes: (484th BG - 20,000 ft), (461st BG - 21,000 ft), (451st BG - 22,000 ft). Area to be Bombed: Center at J-8/9 on Target Chart 4-29-NA. Target Elevation: Sea Level. LAST RESORT TARGET: PORTO MARGHERA OIL STORAGE (45° 28'N, 12° 14'E). Axis of Attack: 120° TC. Rally: Left. Bombing Altitudes: (484th BG - 20,000 ft), (461st BG - 21,000 ft), (451st BG - 22,000 ft). Area to be Bombed: Enclosed by E-23; G-23; I/H-21; K/J-20; G/F-20 on Target Chart 4-120B-NA. Target Elevation: Sea Level. BOMBER RENDEZVOUS: 484th BG will be in rendezvous rectangle from 0817B until 0842B. 461st BG and 451st BG will follow SOP to rendezvous with lead Gp. 484th BG will enter rendezvous

rectangle at CANDELA and go around the rectangle $1\frac{1}{2}$ times and depart from BOVINO going out via CASALNUOVO. 484th BG

will be at 5,000 ft, 461st BG at 6,000 ft, and 451st BG will be at 7,000 ft. FIGHTER BOMBER RENDEZVOUS: See Para. 1. B. (2). To be furnished later. WING FORMATION: Staggered column of Gps stepped up. AIR FORCE FORMATION: Column of Wqs: 5th Wq lead - 55th Wq - 47th Wq -49th Wg. ORDER OF FLIGHT: 484th BG - 461st BG - 451st BG. ROUTE OUT: Base to Key Point to Turn Point #1 to Turn Point #2 to Turn Point #3 to Turn Point #4 to Turn Point #5 to IP to Target. KEY POINT: (45° 38' N, 12° 58' E). Base altitude 20,000 ft at 1031B. TURN POINT #1: ST. JOHANN (47° 33' N, 12° 26' E). TURN POINT #2: TRAUNSTEIN (47° 53' N, 12° 38' E). TURN POINT #3: EGGENFELDEN (48° 46' N, 12° 13' E). TURN POINT #4: OBD. LINDHART (46° 43' N, 11° 40' E). TURN POINT #5: FAHLENBACH (48° 38' N, 11° 35' E). TURN POINT #6: MEDUNO (46° 13' N, 12° 47' E). INITIAL POINT: PFAFFENHOFEN (48° 33' N, 11° 30' E). AXIS OF ATTACK: 172° TC. AIMING POINT: Optional. INTERVALOMETER SETTING: Optional. AREA TO BE BOMBED: 451st BG - I-11/12; 484th BG and 461st BG - K-4/5 to J/K-6/7 all on Target Chart 13-7-NA. TARGET TIME: 1155B. BOMBING ALTITUDE: (484 th BG - 22,000 ft). (461st BG - 23,000 ft). (451st BG - 24,000 ft). TARGET ELEVATION: 1600 ft. RALLY: Left off target. ROUTE BACK: Target to TP #6 to Key Point to Base. 3. a. The 484th BG will use 3 PF A/C in lead and deputy lead of the Gp and leading second attack unit. x. (1) All Gps will load 1000 GP with .1 nose and .01 tail fuses. (2) The 461st BG and 451st BG will each use 2 PF A/C. PF will lead each attack unit. (3) Gps will go into right echelon at TP #4. (4) Gps will be at bombing altitude before TP #4. (5) Gps will adhere strictly to assigned altitudes on the bomb run, but may cruise 500 ft above bombing altitudes. (6) Lead attack units will load three (3) cartons Window, dispensing to begin two (2) minutes before IP and continue until clear of flak at the rate of six (6) units every twenty (20) seconds. 4. No Change. 5. a. (1) Command Radio: SOP.

- (2) Bomber Call Signs: (5th Wg, , "Saxhorn 1") (47th Wg, "Saxhorn 2"), (55th Wg, "Saxhorn 3"), (451st BG, "Saxhorn 43"), (461st BG, "Saxhorn 42"), (484th BG, "Saxhorn 41").
- (3) Fighter Call Signs: Escort will use "Pulpwood" with numbered suffixes in order of contact with bombers.

- (4) Recall Identification Codeword: (5th Wg, "Portrait"), (47th
 Wg, "Snob"), (304th Wg, "Feather"), (55th Wg, "Crime"), 49th
 Wg, "Dollar"), (306th Wg, "Leroy").
- (5) Bomber-Fighter VHF Channel: "A".
- (6) Visual Signals: SOP for 49th Wg.

Aldis Lamp: SOP for 49th Wg.

b. (1) Combat Wing Commander: Colonel Keese.(2) Deputy Combat Wing Commander: Major Lyle.

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