

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

20 July 1944

OPERATIONS ORDER)

NUMBER 113)

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

b. (1) Bombers: Six Gps B-17s, 5th Wg, will attack BRUX SYNTHETIC OIL REFINERY (50° 33'N, 13° 37'E); time at KP 0931B. Four Gps B-24s, 47th Wg, will attack HORSCHING A/D INSTALLATIONS (48° 14'N, 14° 12'E); time at KP 1031B. Four Gps B-24s, 304th Wg, will attack BRUX SYNTHETIC OIL PLANT BUILDINGS (50° 33'N, 13° 37'E); time at KP 1002B. 55th Wg Stand Down.

(2) Escort: Two Gps will intercept Bomber formation in vicinity of SOLZBURG and provide penetration cover. Four Gps will provide target and withdrawal cover for bombers. Maximum effort of fighters will be provided.

2. Normal effort B-24s each 451st BG, 461st BG and 484th BG will destroy BRUX SYNTHETIC OIL REFINERY (50° 33'N, 13° 37'E) on 21 July 1944. This is Plan "A".

FIRST ALTERNATE TARGET: Primary Target by PFF.

SECOND ALTERNATE TARGET: ST. VALENTINE/HERMAN GOERING A/C FACTORY (48° 09'N, 14° 28'E). Axis of Attack: 190° TC. Rally: Left. Bombing Altitudes: (451st BG - 21,000 ft); (484th BG - 22,000 ft); (461st BG - 23,000 ft). Area to be Bombed: Target #1 on Briefing Chart 14-15-NA. Target Elevation: 885 ft. IP GARSBACH (48° 20'N, 14° 31'E).

THIRD ALTERNATE TARGET: LINZ/HERMAN GOERING STEEL WORKS (48° 15'N, 14° 20'E). Axis of Attack: 140° TC. Rally: Left. IP BURNSTEIN (48° 31'N, 14° 01'E). Bombing Altitudes: (451st BG - 21,000 ft); (484th BG - 22,000 ft); (461st BG - 23,000 ft). Area to be Bombed: Center Impact at Q-8/9 on target chart 14-50A-NA. Target Elevation: 849 ft.

FOURTH ALTERNATE TARGET: KLAGENFURT A/C FACTORY (46° 37'N, 14° 19'E). Axis of Attack: 190° TC. Rally: Left. IP FRIESACH (46° 57'N, 14° 23'E). Bombing Altitudes: (451st BG - 20,000 ft); (484th BG - 21,000 ft); (461st BG - 22,000 ft). Area to be Bombed: Target # one (1A) on Briefing Chart 14-4-NA. Target Elevation: 1475 ft.

BOMBER RENDEZVOUS: 451st BG will pass over BOVINO at 0834B enroute to Key Point by way of CASALNUOVO. 484th BG and 451st BG - 5,000; 484th BG - 6,000; 461st BG - 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 Wgs: 5th Wg lead - 49th Wg - 304th Wg - 47th Wg.

ORDER OF FLIGHT: 451st BG - 484th BG - 461st 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: SANSEGO (44° 31' N, 14° 18' E). Base altitude 17,000 ft at 0952B.

TURN POINT #1: (45° 07' N, 14° 17' E).

TURN POINT #2: LAKE MILLATATTER (46° 48' N, 13° 35' E).

TURN POINT #3: SEEWALCHEN (47° 58' N, 13° 35' E).

TURN POINT #4: DEGGENDO (48° 51' N, 12° 58' E).

TURN POINT #5: DOMAZLICE (49° 27' N, 12° 57' E).

INITIAL POINT: SCHLACKENWERTH (50° 19' N, 12° 57' E).

AXIS OF ATTACK: 61° TC.

AIMING POINT: Optional on target chart 15-6-NA.

INTERVALOMETER SETTING: Optional.

AREA TO BE BOMBED: Inclosed by F-16/17, G-16/17, G/H-14/15, and F-14/15.

TARGET TIME: 1210B.

BOMBING ALTITUDE: (451st BG - 22,000 ft).

(484th BG - 23,000 ft).

(461st BG - 24,000 ft).

TARGET ELEVATION: 810 ft.

RALLY: Right off target.

ROUTE BACK: Target to Rally Point PRIBRAM (49° 42' N, 14° 2' E) to Turn Point #3 to Turn Point #2 to Turn Point #1 to Key Point to Base.

3. a. 451st BG will load 500# GP with .1 second nose and .025 tail fusing.
- b. The 451st BG will use PF A/C as Gp lead and deputy lead and as lead of the second attack unit. If only one attack unit is used, the PF A/C will be used in the Gp lead and deputy lead positions only.
- x. (1) 484th BG and 461st BG will load 100# GP with .1 second nose and .01 tail fusing.
- (2) 484th BG and 461st BG will each use 2 PF A/C as the lead ship in each attack unit. Should either or both the 484th BG and 461st BG use only one (1) attack unit, PF A/C will be used in Gp lead and deputy positions.
- (3) Gps will go into left echelon at Turn Point #5.
- (4) Gps will reach their bombing altitudes at Turn Point #5 and adhere strictly to their respective altitudes on the bombing run.
- (5) Lead attack units will load three (3) cartons of Window dispensing to begin two (2) minutes before IP and continue until clear of flak at the rate of six (6) units per twenty (20) seconds.
- (6) Gp leaders will be specifically briefed to follow the Wg leader and maintain a good Wg formation throughout the entire mission.

4. No Change.

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

- (2) Bomber Call Signs: (5th Wg, "Pixie 1") (47th Wg, "Pixie 4"), (304th Wg, "Pixie 3"), (451st BG, "Pixie 21"), (461st BG, "Pixie 23"), (484th BG, "Pixie 22").
- (3) Fighter Call Signs: Escort will use "Kiddies" with numbered suffixes in order of contact with bombers.
- (4) Recall Identification Codeword: (5th Wg, "Prism"), (47th Wg, "Whistle"), (304th Wg, "Planter"), 49th Wg, "Ocean"), (306th Wg, "Painter").
- (5) Bomber-Fighter VHF Channel: "A".
- (6) Visual Signals: SOP for 49th Wg.

Aldis Lamp: SOP for 49th Wg.

- b. (1) Combat Wing Commander: Col. Eaton.
- (2) Deputy Combat Wing Commander: Major Youong.

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