

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

29 July 1944

OPERATIONS ORDER)

NUMBER 122)

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

b. (1) Bombers: Five Gps B-17s, 5th Wg, will attack BUDAPEST TOKOL ADMINISTRATIVE INSTALLATIONS (47° 21'N, 18° 59'E); time at KP 0936B. Four Gps B-24s, 47th Wg, will attack LISPE BUDAFPUSZTA OIL REFINERY (46° 30'N, 16° 42'E); time at KP 1000B. Four Gps B-24s, 55th Wg, will attack BUDAPEST DUNA AIRCRAFT FACTORY (47° 21'N, 19° 00'E); time at KP 0933B. 304th Wg will stand down.

(2) Escort: Fighters will provide penetration, target and withdrawal cover for bombers. Fighters will also provide Chaff dispensing aircraft.

2. Normal effort B-24s each 451st BG and 484th BG will attack BUDAPEST DUNA AIRCRAFT FACTORY BULIDINGS (47° 21'N, 19° 00'E) on 30 July 1944. This is Plan "B".

FIRST ALTERNATE TARGET: KECSKENET ADMINISTRATIVE INSTALLATIONS (46° 54'N, 19° 45'E). Axis of attack: 47° TC. Rally: Straight. IP CZEGLÉD (47° 10'N, 19° 48'E). Bombing altitude: 461st - 19,000; 451st - 20,000; 484th - 21,000. Area to be bombed: Administrative Installations centered at J/K-13. Target chart 12-34-NA. Target elevation: 379 ft.

SECOND ALTERNATE TARGET: SUBOTICA M/Y (46° 07'N, 19° 41'E). Axis of attack: 248° TC. Rally: Straight. IP SZEGLÉD (46° 15'N, 20° 08'E). Bombing altitude: 461st - 19,000; 451st - 20,000; 484th - 21,000. Area to be bombed: 461st BG - South Third; 451st BG - Middle Third; 484th BG - North Third. Target chart 8-40-NA. Target elevation: 380 ft.

THIRD ALTERNATE TARGET: BROD SOUTH M/Y (45° 08'N, 18° 00'E). Axis of attack: 105° TC. Rally: Right. IP ST. PETROVO SELO (45° 13'N, 17° 32'E). Bombing altitude: 461st - 21,000; 451st - 22,000; 484th - 23,000. Area to be bombed: 461st BG - South Third; 451st BG - Middle Third; 484th BG - North Third. Target chart 8-36-NA. Target elevation: 300 ft.

FOURTH ALTERNATE TARGET: SARAJEVO M/Y (43° 52'N, 18° 22'E). Axis of attack: 142° TC. Rally: Right. IP KAKANJ (44° 08'N, 18° 05'E). Bombing altitude: 461st - 20,000; 451st - 21,000; 484th - 22,000. Area to be bombed: 461st BG - Tgt #1A; 451st BG - West half of Tgt #1; 484th BG - East half of Tgt #1 with center of impact at H-14/15. Target chart 8-18-NA. 461st and 451st will attack simultaneously on parallel front. Target elevation: 1885 ft.

BOMBER RENDEZVOUS: 461st BG will be in rendezvous rectangle from 0806B until 0831B. 451st BG and 484th will follow SOP to rendezvous with lead Gp. 461st BG will enter rectangle at CANDELA, go around

rectangle one and one-half times and leave from BOVINO going out by way of CASALNUOVO. Rendezvous altitudes: SOP.

FIGHTER BOMBER RENDEZVOUS: SOP

WING FORMATION: Staggered close column of Gps stepped up.

AIR FORCE FORMATION: Column of Wgs. 49th Wg lead - 55th Wg - 5th Wg.

ORDER OF FLIGHT: 461st BG - 451st BG - 484th BG.

ROUTE OUT: Base to Key Point to Turn Point #1 to Turn Point #2 to Turn Point #3 to IP to Target.

KEY POINT: SCEDRO ISLE (43° 05'N, 16° 42'E) Base altitude 12,000 ft. at 0923B.

TURN POINT #1: LIVNO (43° 50'N, 17° 00'E).

TURN POINT #2: TAPOLCZA (46° 53'N, 17° 28'E).

TURN POINT #3: VAROSTOD (47° 09'N, 17° 39'E).

TURN POINT #4: VRPOLJE (45° 13'N, 18° 25'E).

TURN POINT #5: TRPANJ (43° 00'N, 17° 17'E).

INITIAL POINT: ALCSUT (47° 26'N, 18° 37'E).

AXIS OF ATTACK: 110° TC.

AIMING POINT: Optional on Target Chart 12-16-NA.

INTERVALOMETER SETTING: Optional.

AREA TO BE BOMBED: 461st - Buildings centered at H/I-16 & I-15; 451st - Buildings centered at H/I-14; 484th - Buildings centered at I-13 or G/H-13/14 or any of above mentioned buildings if buildings at I-13 & G/H-13/14 are no visible.

TARGET TIME: 1100B.

BOMBING ALTITUDE: (461st BG - 22,000 ft); (451st BG - 23,000 ft); (484th BG - 24,000 ft).

TARGET ELEVATION: 350 ft.

RALLY: Right.

ROUTE BACK: Target to rally point (CZECKE 46° 46'N, 18° 38'E) to Turn Point #4 to Turn Point #5 to Bases.

3. x. (1) PF A/C will "Stand Down".
- (2) Three Gps will load 500# RDX bombs with .1 nose fuse and .025 tail fuse.
- (3) Lead attack units of each Gp will load three (3) cartons of Windows, dispensing rate will be six (6) units every twenty (20) seconds. Dispensing to begin at IP and continue until clear of flak.
- (4) Gps will go into close left echelon at Turn Point #3.
- (5) Gps will be at bombing altitude at Turn Point #3.
- (6) Leaders will climb at 150 ft/minute instead of the customary 200 ft to 250 ft/minute.
- (7) Close Wing formation will be flown.

4. No Change.

5. (1) Command Radio: SOP.
- (2) Bomber Call Signs: (5th Wg, "Fruittart 3"), (47th Wg, "Butler"), (55th Wg, "Fruittart 2"), (451st BG, "Fruittart 12"), (461st BG, "Fruittart 11"), (484th BG, "Fruittart 13").
- (3) Fighter Call Signs: "Radcliff" with numbered suffixes in order of interception.

- (4) Recall Identification Codeword: (5th Wg, "Proudfoot"), (47th Wg, "Diamond"), (55th Wg, "Leroy"), 49th Wg, "Houond"), (306th Wg, "Feather").
- (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. Glantzberg.
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