3 June 1944

# OPERATIONS ORDER)

### NUMBER 64)

- 1. a. See Latest Intelligence Summaries and Annex "A".
  - b. (1) Bombers: Two Gps B-17s, 5th Wg, will attack ANTHEOR VIADUCT and VAR RIVER BRIDGE; time at KP 0758B. Four Gps B-24s, 47th Wg, will attack GENOA M/Y and NOVI LIGURE M/Y; time at KP 0956B. Four Gps B-24s, 55th Wg, will attack TURIN CENTRAL M/Y and repair warehouses; time at KP 0820B. Four Gps B-24s, 304th Wg, will attack ALESSANDRIA M/Y; time at KP 0830B.
    - (2) Escort: Fighters will provide penetration, target cover and withdrawal escort for each Wg.
- 2. Normal effort B-24s each 484th BG will attack BUSSOLENO RR BRIDGE; 451st BG will attack GAD RR BRIDGE and UNDERPASS; 461st BGwill attack two (2) RR BRIDGES and RR VIADUCTS at ORELLE on 4 June 1944. This is Plan "A".

FIRST ALTERNATE TARGET: RECCO VIADUCT.

BOMBER RENDEZVOUS: 484th BG will be in rendezvous rectangle from 0709B until 0729B. 451st BG and 461st BG will follow SOP to rendezvous with lead Gp.

FIGHTER BOMBER RENDEZVOUS: See Para. 1. B. (2). To be furnished later by telephone.

WING FORMATION: Staggered column of Gps stepped up.

AIR FORCE FORMATION: Two separate column of Wgs. 1st Column: 5th Wg lead - 49th Wg - 55th Wg - 304th Wg. 2nd Column: 47th Wg.

ORDER OF FLIGHT: 484th BG lead - 451st 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. 451st BG and 461st BG to IP to Target. 484th BG from TP #4 to Turn Point #5 to IP to Target.

KEY POINT: San FELICE CERCEO (41 deg 13 min N, 13 deg 05 min E) Base altitude 10,000 ft at 0810B.

TURN POINT #1: PIANOSA ISLAND (42 deg 35 min N, 10 deg 05 min E).

TURN POINT #2: ROGLIANO (42 deg 51 min N, 09 deg 25 min E).

TURN POINT #3: SAN REMO (43 deg 49 min N, 07 deg 45 min E).

TURN POINT #4: (44 deg 31 min N, 06 deg 20 min E).

TURN POINT #5: (44 deg 54 min N, 06 deg 21 min E). (Same as 451st and 461st IP)

AXIS OF ATTACK: Primary: 484th BG - 94 deg TC; 451st BG - 66 deg TC; 461st BG - 13 deg TC. 1st Alternate - 225 deg TC.

AIMING POINT: Optional: 451st BG on Target Chart 4-164A-NA. 484th BG on Target Chart 4-167A-NA. 461st BG on MAPRC report H (C) 249 print 3024. 1st Alternate on Target Chart 4-90-NA.

INTERVALOMETER SETTING: Optional on Primary and alternate.

TARGET TIME: 1030B.

BOMBING ALTITUDE: (484th BG - 14,000 ft).

(451st BG - 15,000 ft). For both Primary and (461st BG - 16,000 ft). Alternate targets.

TARGET ELEVATION: Primary: 484th BG - 1320 ft; 451st BG - 3417 ft; 461st BG - 3300 ft. 1st Alternate - 25 ft.

RALLY: All Gps rally right to RALLY POINT RISTOLAS (44 deg 46 min N, 06 deg 57 min E).

ROUTE BACK: Target to Rally Point to Turn Point #3 to Turn Point #2 to Turn Point #1 to Key Point to Bases.

- 3. a. 484th BG will land the Pathfinder A/C at CASTELLUCIO on return from mission.
  - x. (1) No Window will be employed.
    - (2) 484th BG and 461st BG will load 1,000# GP with .1 sec nose fuse and .01 sec tail fuse. 451st BG will load 1,000# GP with .1 sec nose fuse and non-delay tail fuse.
    - (3) One Pathfinder A/C will lead 484th BG. All other Pathfinder stand down.
    - (4) Bombs will not be dropped by Pathfinder or ETA methods.
    - (5) Each Gp will bomb by individual boxes.

### 4. No Change.

- 5. a. (1) Command Radio: 4085 Kcs.

  - (3) Fighter Call Signs: Escort 5th Wg, "Somegirl", 47th Wg, "Surething", 55th Wg, "Bookclub", 304th Wg, Saxhorn", 49th Wg, "Exceed".
  - (4) RECALL IDENTIFICATION CODEWORD: (5th Wg, "Dandy"), (47th Wg, "Failure"), (304th Wg, "Flower"), (55th Wg, "Fuel"), (49th Wg, "Football"), 306th Wg, "Hotdog").
  - (5) VHF Channel: "A".
  - (6) Visual Signals: SOP for 49th Wg.

Aldis Lamp: SOP for 49th Wg.

b. (1) Combat Wing Commander: Lt. Col. Busch.

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