4 May 1944

OPERATIONS ORDER)

NUMBER 34)

- 1. a. See Latest Intelligence Summaries and Annex "A" to Opns Order No. 31.
 - b. (1) Bombers: See Opns Order No. 33 and No. 35 this date and in addition Two Gps, 55th Wg, will attack PODGORICA; target time 1325B.
 - (2) See Opns Order No. 33 and No. 35 this date.
- 2. Normal effort One Gp B-24s each 484th BG will attack troop concentrations at PODGORICA on 5 May 1944. This is Plan "A" and Plan "B".

ALTERNATE TARGET: No alternate target for 484th BG.

BOMBER ASSEMBLY: SOP. Departure from assembly area will be between 304th Wg and 5th Wg areas.

FIGHTER BOMBER RENDEZVOUS: None for 484th BG.

AIR FORCE FORMATION: One Gp 49th Wg and Two Gps 55th Wg converging on IP ten (10) minutes apart.

ORDER OF FLIGHT: 484th BG only.

ROUTE OUT: Assembly area to Turn Point to IP to Target.

TURN POINT: (42 deg 15 min N, 17 deg 45 min E).

INITIAL POINT: BUDVA (42 deg 17 min N, 18 deg 51 min E).

INTERVALOMETER SETTING: 300 ft.

AXIS OF ATTACK: 61 degrees TC.

AIMING POINT: F/G-15/16 on Target Chart 8-11-NA.

TARGET TIME: 1315B.

BOMBING ALTITUDE: 21,000 ft.

TARGET ELEVATION: 173 ft.

RALLY: Left off Target.

ROUTE BACK: Direct to Base.

- 3. x. (1) Lead attack unit will load three cartons window; dispensing will begin three (3) minutes before IP and continue until clear of Flak.
 - (2) Gp will load 500# GP with .1 sec nose fuse and .025 tail fuse.
 - (3) Other targets in Yugoslavia will not be bombed due to Partisans.
 - (4) Missions will be recalled only by Recall Identification Codeword transmitted in the clear to aircraft in flight via liason frequency.
- 4. No Change.

- 5. a. (1) Command Radio: 4085 Kcs.
 - (2) Bomber Call Signs: None.
 - (3) Fighter Call Signs: None.
 - (4) VHF Channel "B".
 - (5) RECALL IDENTIFICATION CODEWORD: "Crank 2".
 - (6) Visual Signals: SOP for 49th Wg. Green-Green flare will be used. Green-Green flare for abandoning Primary target.

Aldis Lamp: SOP.

b. (1) Combat Wing Commander: As designated by Gp.

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INTELLIGENCE ANNEX "A" FOR OPERATIONS ORDER NO. 34, 4 MAY 1944

PLAN: Plan ABLE contemplates direct action against the concentration of enemy troops at PODGORICKA. Reference to the current "Safe Landing Area" map of YUGOSLAVIA showing the large PARTISAN controlled areas north and east of PODGORICKA will indicate the potential value of this attack in support of the PARTISAN movement.

DEFENSES: The latest flak information shows nine (9) heavy guns at PODGORICKA. Fighter interception at the target is not anticipated.

T. C. No. 8-11-NA - Marked for Plan ABLE.

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