

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

6 October 1944

OPERATIONS ORDER)

NUMBER 183)

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

b. (1) Bombers: Six Gps B-17s, 5th Wg, will destroy SOUTHEASTERN HALF OF ERSEKUJVAR M/Y (47° 59'N, 18° 10'E); KP time 1242A. Four Gps B-24s, 47th Wg, will destroy KOMAROM M/Y (47° 45'N, 18° 07'E); KP time 1212A. Four Gps B-24s, 55th Wg, will destroy NORTHWEST HALF OF ERSEKUJVAR M/Y (47° 59'N, 18° 10'E); KP time 1226A. Four Gps B-24s, 304th Wg, will destroy GYOR ADRM INSTALLATIONS (47° 41'N, 17° 42'E); KP time 1234A.

(2) Escort: 15th Ftr Cmd will provide route and target for Blue Force.

2. Maximum remaining B-24s each 451st BG, 461st BG and 484th BG will attack KOMAROM M/Y (47° 47'N, 18° 08'E) on 7 October 1944. This is Plan "B", Blue Force.

BOMBER RENDEZVOUS: 461st BG and 461st BG will line rendezvous behind 484th BG when 484th BG flies over BOVINO on a TC of 332° at 1130A.

Rendezvous altitudes: 7,000, 8,000 and 9,000 ft.

FIGHTER BOMBER RENDEZVOUS: To be furnished later.

WING FORMATION: Staggered column of Gps stepped up.

AIR FORCE FORMATION: Column of Wgs - 47th Wg - 49th Wg - 55th Wg - 304th Wg - 5th Wg.

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

ROUTE OUT: Base to KP to TP #1 to TP #2 to TP #3 to TP #4 to TP #5 to IP to Target.

KEY POINT: VRGADA (43° 51'N, 15° 31'E). Base altitude 16,000 ft. at 1220A.

TURN POINT #1: BUDIMLIC JAPRA (44° 53'N, 16° 26'E).

TURN POINT #2: KOZARAC (44° 58'N, 16° 51'E).

TURN POINT #3: BUG (45° 28'N, 17° 23'E).

TURN POINT #4: KOTORIBA (45° 22'N, 16° 49'E).

TURN POINT #5: LEBENY (47° 44'N, 17° 23'E).

TURN POINT #6: KOVAGOORS (46° 51'N, 17° 36'E).

INITIAL POINT: MEGYER (47° 52'N, 17° 46'E).

AXIS OF ATTACK: 108° TC.

AIMING POINT: Optional.

INTERVALOMETER SETTING: Optional.

AREA TO BE BOMBED: All Gps Center of Impact just above T-17. See photos also.

TARGET TIME: 1344A.

BOMBING ALTITUDE: (484th BG - 20,000 ft); (461st BG - 21,000 ft); (451st BG - 22,000 ft).

TARGET ELEVATION: 400 ft.

RALLY: Right off target.

ROUTE BACK: Target to TP #6 to KP to Base.

FIRST ALTERNATE TARGET: BANHIDA M/Y (47° 35'N, 18° 23'E). IP: Optional.
Axis of Attack: Optional. Rally optional. Bombing Altitude:
(484th BG - 20,000 ft); (461st BG - 21,000 ft); (451st BG -
22,000 ft). Area to be bombed: See photos on annotated
photos. Target elevation: approximately 500 ft.

SECOND ALTERNATE TARGET: SZEKESEHERVAR M/Y (47° 12'N, 18° 25'E). IP:
SIOFOK (46° 54'N, 18° 03'E). Axis of Attack: 40° TC. Rally
Right. Bombing Altitude: (484th BG - 20,000 ft); (461st BG
- 21,000 ft); (451st BG - 22,000 ft). Area to be bombed:
All Gps Center of Impact L/M-16 on Target chart 12-11-NA.
Target elevation: 374 ft.

THIRD ALTERNATE TARGET: PECS M/Y (46° 04'N, 18° 13'E). IP: BONYHAD (46°
18'N, 18° 32'E). Axis of Attack: 223° TC. Rally Straight
ahead. Bombing Altitude: (484th BG - 20,000 ft); (461st BG
- 21,000 ft); (451st BG - 22,000 ft). Area to be bombed:
All Gps Center of Impact N/O-14/15 on Target chart 12-29-
NA. Target elevation: 525 ft.

FOURTH ALTERNATE TARGET: MAGYKANIZSA M/Y (46° 27'N, 16° 59'E). IP:
KERESZFUR (46° 42'N, 17° 22'E). Axis of Attack: 225° TC.
Rally SLIGHT LEFT. Bombing Altitude: (484th BG - 20,000
ft); (461st BG - 21,000 ft); (451st BG - 22,000 ft). Area
to be bombed: All Gpos Center of Impact L-12 on Target
chart 12-30-NA. Target elevation: approximately 548 ft.

LAST RESORT TARGET: Any other HUNGARIAN M/Y which may be bombed visually.

3. x. (1) All Gps load 500# RDX fused .1 nose and .025 tail.
(2) Gps will be at bombing altitude five (5) minutes before TP #5
and go into right echelon at TP #5.
(3) PFF A/C will lead will lead for navigational purposes only.

4. No Change.

5. (1) Command Radio: SOP.
(2) Bomber Call Signs: (5th Wg, "Shapley 5"), (47th Wg, "Shapley 1"),
(451st BG, "Shapley 23"), (461st BG, "Shapley 22"), (484th BG,
"Shapley 21"), (55th Wg, "Shapley 3"), (304th Wg, "Shapley 4").
(3) Fighter Call Signs: 49th Wg, escort will use "Cartload 2". WX
Recon A/C will precede lead Wg on route out and route back. WX Recon
A/C: (Route Out, "Ringway 3"), (Route Back, "Ringway 4").
(4) Recall Identification Codeword: (5th Wg, "Snakebite"), (47th Wg,
"Skipper"), (49th Wg, "Rotation"), (55th Wg, "Ducksoup"), (304th Wg,
"Blackjack"), (15th Ftr Cmd, "Carson").
(5) Bomber-Fighter VHF Channel: "A".
(6) Visual Signals: SOP.

Aldis Lamp: SOP.

(7) All units so equipped will employ carpet. Lead attack units of
484th BG, 461st BG and 451st BG load 2 cartons Window (CHA-3).
Dispensing will begin 2 minutes before IP and continue at the rate of
six (6) bundles every twenty (20) seconds until clear of flak.

- b. (1) Combat Wing Commander: Major Paine.
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