

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

1 September 1944

OPERATIONS ORDER)

NUMBER 151)

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

b. (1) Bombers: Four Gps B-24s, 47th Wg, will destroy KRALJEVO RR BRIDGE (43° 46'N, 20° 47'E) and KRALJEVO M/Y (43° 46'N, 20° 47'E); target time 1000B. Three Gps, B-24s, 55th Wg, will SUPOVAC RR BRIDGE (43° 24'N, 21° 47'E) and NIS M/Y (43° 19'N, 21° 54'E); target time between 1000B and 1030B. Four Gps, B-24s, 304th Wg, will destroy NIS M/Y (43° 19'N, 21° 54'E); target time between 0930B and 1000B. 5th Wg will "Stand Down". Fighters will dive bomb CUPRIJA ROAD BRIDGE; target time 1000B.

(2) Escort: Fighters will provide escort for 304th Wg and 55th Wg.

2. Normal effort B-24s 451st BG and 461st BG will attack MITROVICA RR BRIDGE (42° 54'N, 20° 53'E) on 2 September 1944. This is Plan "A".

BOMBER RENDEZVOUS: 461st BG will be in rendezvous rectangle from 0813B until 0833B. 484th BG and 451st BG will follow SOP to rendezvous with lead Gp. 461st BG will enter and depart from rendezvous rectangle at CANDELA going out between 304th and 55th Wgs areas. Rendezvous altitudes: 7,000; 8,000; 9,000 ft.

FIGHTER BOMBER RENDEZVOUS: See Para. 1. B. (2). None.

WING FORMATION: Staggered column of Gps stepped up.

AIR FORCE FORMATION: None.

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

ROUTE OUT: Base to KP to TP #1 to IP to target.

KEY POINT: KOLAJ (41° 53'N, 19° 29'E) Base altitude: 16,000 ft at 0933B.

TURN POINT #1: DAKOVICA (42° 23'N, 20° 26'E).

TURN POINT #2: BERANE (42° 51'N, 19° 52'E).

INITIAL POINT: KLINA (42° 38'N, 20° 35'E).

AXIS OF ATTACK: 38° TC.

AIMING POINT: Center Impact at Q-8/9.

INTERVALOMETER SETTING: Optional.

AREA TO BE BOMBED: Center Impact at Q-8/9 on Target Chart 8-19-NA.

TARGET TIME: 1000B.

BOMBING ALTITUDE: (461st BG - 19,000); (484th BG - 20,000); (451st BG - 21,000).

TARGET ELEVATION: 1610 ft.

RALLY: Left.

ROUTE BACK: Target to TP #2 to Bases.

ALTERNATE TARGET: None.

3. x. (1) Three Gps will load 1000# RDX with .1 nose fuse and non delay tail fuse.

(2) Gps will go into left echelon at TP #1 and be at bombing altitude at TP #2.

(3) PFF A/C may be used for navigational purposes if desired.

4. No Change.

5. (1) Command Radio: SOP.

(2) Bomber Call Signs: (304th Wg, "Lacework"), (55th Wg, "Playfair"), (451st BG, "Koghead 3"), (461st BG, "Koghead 1"), (484th BG, "Koghead 2").

(3) Fighter Call Signs: None.

(4) Recall Identification Codeword: (47th Wg, "Bighouse"), (304th Wg, "Poorbred"), (55th Wg, "Frontier"), (49th Wg, "Sailfish"), (306th Wg, "Rumrunner").

(5) Bomber-Fighter VHF Channel: "A".

(6) Visual Signals: SOP for 49th Wg.

Aldis Lamp: SOP for 49th Wg.

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

(2) Deputy Combat Wing Commander: Lt Phillips.

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