HEADQUARTERS 55TH BOMBARDMENT WING (Hv)
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INTELLIGENCE ANNEX NO. 20 )

TO OPERATIONS ORDER NO. 20 )

This is Plan Baker

Maps and Target Materials:
GSGS No. 4072 EUROPE AIR (BOLZANO, GRAZ, MUNCHEN, VENEZIA)1:500,000
Target and Briefing Charts No. 14-50A-N. (LINZ)
TCS and BCS No. 14-104 (LINZ, Strategic)
No. 13-13-NA. (SALZBURG)
No. 13-11.2-NA. (ROSENHEIM)
No. 4-19- NA (VICENZA)
Briefing Chart No. BC 14-7 (HERMANN GOERING, etc.)
Minimum Briefing and Photocharts No. MBC, MP 14-67(LINZ)
No. MBC, MP 13-56(SALZBURG)
No. MBC, MP 13-70 (ROSENHEIM)
Approach Chart, Target Photochart No. AC, TP 14-7(HERMANN GOERING)
Pathfinder Chart No. RPC 9, 9 Supplement No. 1 (LINZ)
Pathfinder Briefing Chart No. RPC 9-A
Pathfinder Negative Relief Chart No. RPC 9-B
Pathfinder Positive Relief Chert No. RPC 9-C
Pathfinder Supplement No. RPC 9-F, 9-G, 9-H
Pathfinder Scope Photo No. 913R 49, 81, C27 (LINZ)
Pathfinder Chart No. RPC 19 (SALZBURG)
Pathfinder Briefing Chart No. RPC 19-A
Pathfinder Negative Relief Chart No. RPC 19-B
Pathfinder Scope Photo No. 74 (SALZBURG)
(For Pathfinder Materials on ROSENHEIM, see MUNICH RPC 8 Series)
Illustration No. 6 (d) (vi)79/1,5,6 (LINZ)
No. 3(k)53/1 (LINZ)
No. 6(d) (vi)130/1,2 (SALZBURG)

1. Plan Baker directs one Bombardment Wing against the REGENSBURG Oil Storage facilities, one Wing against the VERONA /PERONA RR Bridge, and three Wings against communications targets at LINZ. See Intelligence Annex No. 10, 12 Jan 45, Paragraph 1, beginning with the 2nd sentence. The current content of the LINZ yards is, as shown by latest cover, approximately 2,700 units, including more than 40 locomotives. Objectives of this attack are primarily to destroy the communications, and secondarily the contents of the yards.

2. ENEMY SITUATION:

a. FLAK

(1) LINZ: See E Map 4E468, 13 Jan 45 and written report 4E471, 14 Jan 45. On 8 Jan 45, the North M/Y and Main Station was attacked, with SIH/IAH flak encountered.

(2) SALZBURG: See E Map xxxxx, 8 Dec 44, and written report 4E437, 7 Jan 45. When attacked 8 Jan 45, SAH flak was encountered.

(3) ROSENHEIM. See Written report 4E283. 19 Dec 44. No heavy guns were present at this time. When last attacked 21 Dec 44, SIH flak was encountered from xxxxxxxx xxxxxxxx.

(4) VICENZA. See E Map xxxx 17 Oct 44 and latest written report 3E415, 10 Jan 45. When last attacked 4 Jan 45, SIH flak was encountered.

b. ENENY AIRCRAPT. xxx xx xx. Xx.x xxx it is estimated that a few SEF and possibly a xxx xx x x x x airborne for harassing attacks. The enemy is capable of xxxxing 40-50 SEF into action over LINZ, but such a scale of effort is not probable at this time.

c. SIGNIFICANCE OF TARGETS

(1) LINZ: See Intelligence Annex No. 309, 10 Dec 44. Reference is made, for detail to xIR (G) 491, photograph LINZ 15SG-1082-14 Jan, and to DP Report 299 which covers to LINZ and SALZBURG.

(2) SALZBURG: See Intelligence Annex No. 309, 30 Dec 44. Content at latest reconnaissance was approximately 975 units.

(3) ROSENHEIM: For description of target, see Intelligence Annex No. 243, 9 Dec 44. At latest reconnaissance there were just short of 1,000 units in this yard, a very heavy loading.

3. FRIENDLY SITUATION

a. COORDINATION OF ATTACK

(1) 5th Wing, 6 Groups, attacks REGENSBURG Oil Storage facilities.

(2) 47th Wing, 4 Groups, attacks VERONA/PERONA RR Br.

(3) 49th Wing, 3 Groups, and 304th Wing, 4 Groups, attack LINZ Communications installations.

b. XV Fighter Command (Provisional) will provide strong close escort for the 5th Bombardment Wing on penetration, at target and on withdrawal, and will provide close escort for the 49th, 55th,

and 304th Bombardment Wings on penetration, at target and on withdrawal. No escort is provided for the 47th Bombardment Wing.

c. Escape Intelligence: Current bulletins, including No. A2.

d. POW Camps: Attention is directed to POW camps No. 173, 124, and 125. Camps at LIENZ, TITTMONING and near BFERDING will be accurately located for crews to insure that no bombs will be jettisoned in their vicinity.

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