

6 December 1944

OPERATIONS ORDER #274
WEATHER ANNEX.

SYNOPTIC SITUATION: 0600Z. Depression over northern France deepening and moving southeast into north Balkans and then northeast. Cold front from this depression curving westward through Bay of Biscay and warm front through eastern France to Gulf of Lions. Azores high extending into Spain and western Mediterranean Sea. Cold front from central Tunisia through eastern Balkans moving slowly southeast.

FORECAST:

BASE: Sky: 5/10 low clouds, base 4500' MSL tops 8-9000'. 5-6/10 middle cloud in layers from 12-16000'. 5-7/10 high clouds from 18-23000'.

Air-Ground Visibility 15 miles.

Upper Data: 5000' 240 deg. 20 kts. plus 03 C.
10000' 260 deg. 30 kts. minus 09 C.
15000' 270 deg. 35 kts. minus 16 C.

ROUTE: Sky: Over south Adriatic 4-6/10 low clouds tops 8000'; 6/10 middle clouds in layers from 10-17000' and 5-6/10 high clouds, base 19-20000', becoming 7-9/10 multilayer conditions from 4000' to 25-30000' in north Adriatic to target. Expect thunderstorm activity over Alps with turbulence.

Air-Ground Visibility: 15-20 miles lowering to 5-10 miles in rain showers and haze.

Upper Data: 10000' 260 deg. 30 kts. minus 09 C.
15000' 260 deg. 35 kts. minus 17 C.
20000' 260 deg. 40 kts. minus 28 C.

TARGET: Sky: 8-10/10 multilayer clouds from 4000' to 30000'.

Air-Ground Visibility: 15-20 miles.

Surface Winds: Westerly 10 - 15 miles per hour.

Upper Data: 15000' 270 deg. 45 kts. minus 20 C.
20000' 280 deg. 55 kts. minus 30 C.
25000' 280 deg. 60 kts. minus 41 C.
30000' 280 deg. 65 kts. minus 52 C.

RLTURN: Similar to route out.

ALTERNATE FIELDS: All areas should remain open with Foggia and Bari areas best.

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