

HEADQUARTERS 55TH BOMBARDMENT WING (Hv)  
APO 520 US ARMY

19 July 1944  
1830B

INTELLIGENCE ANEX NO. 131 )

TO OPERATIONS ORDER NO.131)

This is Plan A.

Maps: GSGS No. 4072 EUROPE Air (BERNE) 1:500000

GSGS No. 3982 EUROPE Air (KONSTANZ) 1:250000

Target Chart No. 13-40-NA (FRIEDRICHSHAFEN/LOWENTHAL)

Briefing Chart No. 13-40-NA (FRIEDRICHSHAFEN/LOWENTHAL)

Pathfinder Chart No. 9 (FRIEDRICHSHAFEN, GERMANY). 1:180000

Illustration No. 3 (c)32/3 (see also No. 3(c)32/5,6,7 and 3(e)50/6 and note that target Zeppelin Luftschiffbau shows on some illustrations titled Mabach Motorenbau and Dornier Werke)

Target Information Sheet, Op. No. GR3682, A.M. No. 3(c)32 (refer to Zeppelin works).

Interpretation Report No. DS 70, 31 March 1944 w/photo

Photographs 4148,4149 60PR/308/60 Sqdn/11 Apr 44

Photograph No. 20-083B (FRIEDRICHSHAFEN)

1. ENEMY SITUATION

a. FLAK

(1) FRIEDRICHSHAFEN (P T and 1st A T): No change. See Intelligence Annex No. 128, 17 July 1944. M-IAH was encountered 18 July 1944. On route flak at VILLAORBA, BOLZANO, and INNSBRUCK must be avoided.

(2) INNSBRUCK (LRT): No change. See Intelligence Annex No. 90, 12 June 1944. S-MIH was encountered 18 July 1944.

b. Smoke Screen will probably be employed.

c. Camouflage of target will be carefully studied by reference to photographs and illustrations

d. ENEMY AIRCRAFT: No change. See Intelligence Annex No. 128, 17 July 1944. Maximum e/a opposition was experienced 18 July 1944. Of 250-300 e/a opposing forces in Southwestern GERMANY, about 90 e/a with aggressive and experienced pilots, opposed formation which attacked FRIEDRICHSHAFEN. Majority of e/a intercepting will oppose force attacking MEMMINGEN A/D.

e. SIGNIFICANCE OF TARGET. Reports from LONDON state that target produces jet propelled and pilotless a/c, giving objective highest target value and priority.

2. FRIENDLY SITUATION

a. Coordination of attack:

(1) 5th Wing, 6 Groups, attacks MEMMINGEN A/D installations.

(2) 47th Wing, 4 Groups, attacks LOUENTHAL A/D installations.

(3) 49th Wing stands down.

(4) 304th Wing, 4 Groups, attacks MATBACH A/C factory.

b. 306th Fighter Wing provides penetration, target, and withdrawal cover.

c. Essential Elements of Information as in Intelligence Annex No. 125, 14 July 1944.

d. Escape Intelligence: see Intelligence Annex No. 128, 17 July 1944.

e. Photo Intelligence: see Intelligence Annex No. 128, 17 July 1944.

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