

HEADQUARTERS 55TH BOMB WING (H)  
APO 520 US ARMY

21 September 1944.

OPERATIONS ORDER)

NUMBER 185)

1.

a.

See Intelligence Annex.

b.

Night bombers attacking SALONIKA M/Y and Warehouses.

6 Groups of 5th Wing destroy MUNICH ALLACH BMW Buildings at 1231A. Key Point Time: 1115A. ALTERNATE TARGETS: First Alternate - PFF on Military Installations and Industrial Center of MUNICH. Second Alternate - Any Communication target on the BRENNER Line South of MUNICH.

4 Groups of 47th Wing destroy Rolling Stock in LARISSA West M/Y.

54 A/C of 49th Wing stand by to conduct supply operations.

4 Groups of 304th Wing. 2 Groups frag parked a/c on MUNICH/REIN A/D. 2 Groups destroy MUNICH/REIN A/D Installations at 1200A. Key Point Time: 1055A. ALTERNATE TARGETS: Same as 5th Wing.

Weather Reconnaissance a/c of 154 Weather Reconnaissance Squadron precede Air Force formation by 50 to 75 miles to inform Bomber formation leader of route weather conditions on route out.

Fighters of 15th Fighter Command:

Provide strong close escort for 5th-55th-304th Wings.

Provide chaff dispensing a/c for lead of 55th Wing.

Provide escort for RESCUE ship.

2.

Normal effort 4 Groups, 55th Wing, destroy OBERWEISEFELD BMW Buildings at 1228A, 22 September 1944. This is Flan Baker.

FIRST ALTERNATE TARGET: PFF on Military Installations and Industrial Center of MUNICH.

SECOND ALTERNATE TARGET: INSBRUCK M/Y.

LAST RESORT TARGET: Any communications target on BRENNER Line South of MUNICH.

d.

Escort use FIRETREE with numbered suffixes in order of contact.

e.

Recall Signs: 5th Wing - PICKPOCKET; 47th Wing - BARFLY; 49th Wing - PING PONG; 55th Wing - MOONGLOW; 304th Wing - ASHTRAY; 15th Ftr Cmd - CATWALK.

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Carpet will be employed by all units so equipped. Chaff will be employed in accordance with Signals Procedure 32-2, with the exception that 465 Group only load chaff on all a/c. Fighter to drop chaff bombs ahead of lead group of 55th Wing.

By command of Brigadier General ACHESON:

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DISTRIBUTION:

1 cy CG 55BW  
3 cys ea A-2, A-3 55BW.  
1 cy CG XV Ftr Cmd  
1 cy CG XV AF  
4 cys ea 460, 465 Gps 55BW.  
3 cys ea 464, 485 Gps 55BW.