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Report #254

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AIRCRAFT ACTION REPORT

RESTRICTED
(Reclassify when filled out)

(OMIT THIS SHEET IF NO ATTACK WAS MADE)

CONFIDENTIAL

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XI. ATTACK ON ENEMY SHIPS OR GROUND OBJECTIVES (By Own Aircraft Listed in II Only).

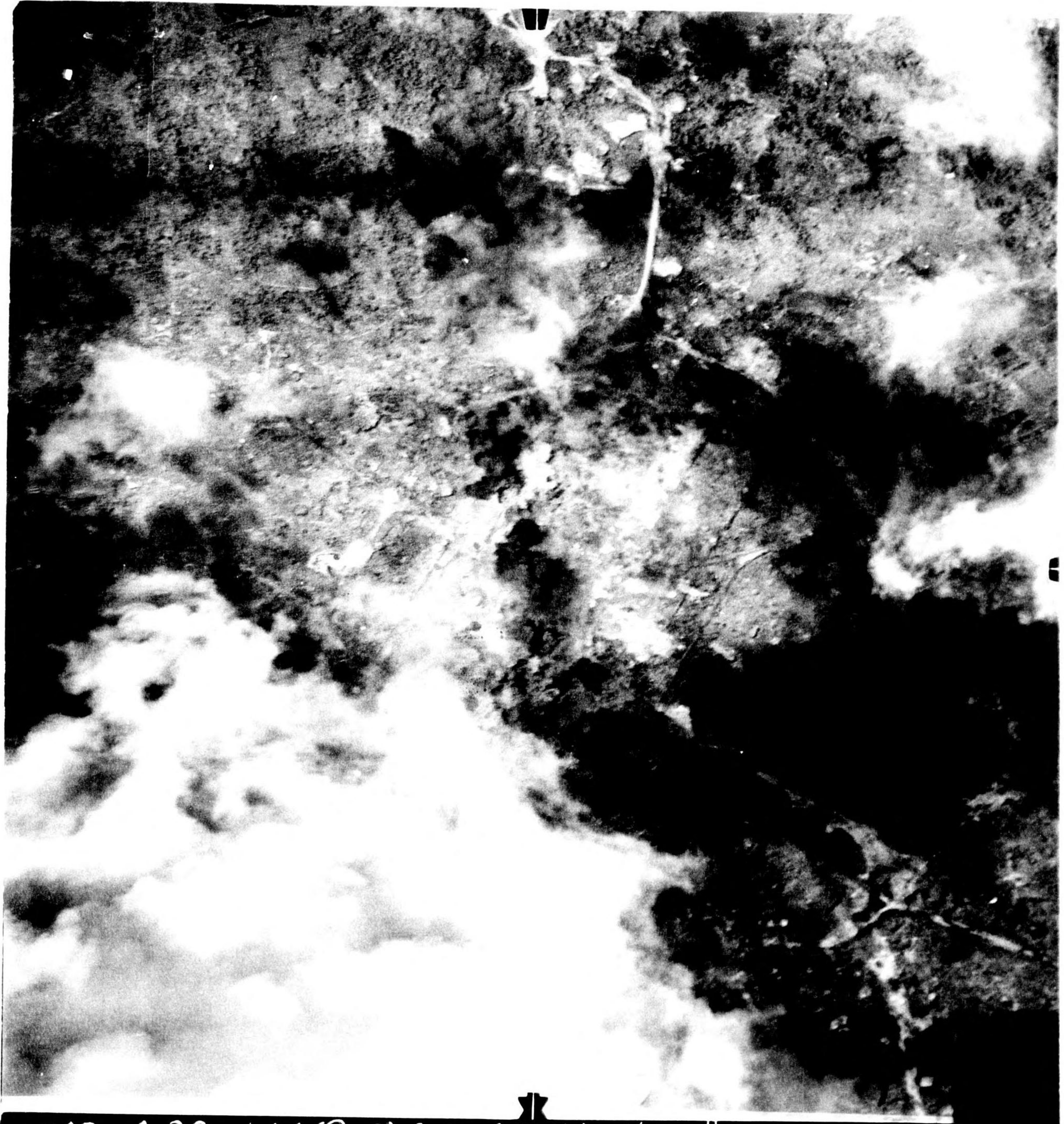
- (a) Target(s) and Location(s) Vunakanau #10, New Britain (b) Time Over Target(s) 1013-1014 (Zone)
(FOR SHIPS INCLUDE ALL IN AREA UNDER ATTACK)
- (c) Clouds Over Target .7 to .8 Middle Clouds
(BASE IN FEET, TYPE AND TENTHS OF COVER)
- (d) Visibility of Target Partially Obscured by Clouds (e) Visibility 10-15 miles
(CLEAR, HAZY, PARTIALLY OBSCURED BY CLOUDS, ETC.) (MILES)
- (f) Bombing Tactics: Type Level Bomb Sight Used Mark 15
(LEVEL, GLIDE OR DIVE) (TYPE)
- Bombs Dropped per Run 3 & 6 Spacing 50 to 100 ft. Altitude of Bomb Release 10,800-11,300
(NUMBER) (FEET) (FEET)
- (g) Number of Enemy Aircraft Hit on Ground: Destroyed None Probably Destroyed None Damaged None

(h) AIMING POINT	(i) DIMENSIONS OR TONNAGE	(j) NO A/C ATTACKING (k) SQUADRON	(l) BOMBS AND AMMUNITION EXPENDED EACH AIMING POINT	(m) NO HITS On Aiming Point	(n) DAMAGE (None, serious, destroyed or sunk)
1 <u>Vunakanau #10</u>		<u>7</u> <u>VMB-423</u>	<u>6 X 500 # GP</u> <u>18 X 1000# GP</u>	<u>See(e)</u>	
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(o) RESULTS: (For all hits claimed on ship targets and for land targets of special interest draw diagram, top or side view or both, as appropriate, showing type and location of hits. For all targets give location and effect of hits, and identify by numbers above. Use additional sheets if necessary.)

Eighty percent of the PBJ bombs were in the target in spite of the clouds. PV bombs overshot the target and hit the north end of the runway. The location of bomb hits with relation to the target is shown on the attached photograph.

(p) Were Photographs Taken? Yes Photographs of Damage, When Taken, Should Be Attached By Staple



VMB-423-144(2-2)4-3-45. 1100' 20" M.H. V. OAKRNRJ #1066