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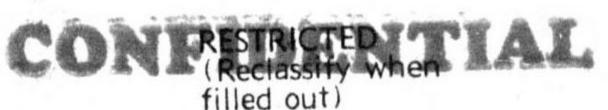
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RESTRICTED (Reclassify when filled out)

I. GENERAL

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III. O	THER U. S.	OR ALLIED	AIRCRAFT	EMPLOYE	D IN TH	IS OPER	ATION			
TYPE	SQUADRON	NUMBER		BASE		TYPE	SQUADRON	NUMBER	BAS	-
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IV. EN	LEMY AIRC	RAFT OBSE	RVED OR E	NGAGED (By Own	Aircraft	Listed in 11	Only).		
(a) TYPE	(b) NO. OBSERVED	NO ENGAGING OWN A/C	(d) TIME ENCOUNTERED	LOCA	(e) ATION OF COUNTER	BOMBS, TORPEDOES CARRIED; GUNS OBSERVED			CAMOUFLAGE AND MARKING	
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(a) PE OWN A/C				(4)			(Give Bureau serial number of planes destroyed)			
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VIII. (a) TYPE A/C	RANGE, F	UEL, AN	AV. HOURS	TION DATA (e) AV. FUEL LOADED	A FOR PLAN (f) AV. FUEL CONSUMED	VES RETU	JRNING TOTAL AMMI	JNITION EXPEN	NDED	(h) NO. OF PLAN RETURNING
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IX. ENEMY ANTI-AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERED (Check CALIBER HEAVY — Time-fused shells, 75mm and over						ock on ea	ch line). MEAGER	MC	DERATE	INTENSE
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X. COMPARATIVE PERFORMANCE, OWN AND ENEMY AIRCRAFT (use check list at left).

SPEED, CLIMB, at various altitudes

TURNS
DIVES
CEILINGS
RANGE
PROTECTION
ARMAMENT

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(OMIT THIS SHEET IF NO ATTACK WAS MADE)

XI. ATTACK ON EN	IEMY SHIPS OF	R GROUND OBJECT	IVES (By Own Aircraft Listed	in Il Only)	1080-
(a) Target(s) and Location	n(s) Mildir	PS INCLUDE ALL IN AREA	IVES (By Own Aircraft Listed UNDER ATTACK) (b) Time Over	er Target(s)	1230 (I) (Zone)
(c) Clouds Over Target	3000	Cumulus (BASE IN FEET	TYPE AND TENTHS OF COVER)		
(d) Visibility of Target	CLEAR, HA	ZY, PARTIALLY OBSCURED	BY CLOUDS, ETC.)	Visibility	10 - 18
(f) Bombing Tactics: Type	2	(LEVEL, GLIDE OR DIVE)	Bomb Sight U	sed	(TYPE)
Bombs Dropped per Rui	n	Spacing	(FEET) Altitude	of Bomb Rel	ease
(g) Number of Enemy Air	craft Hit on Gro	ound: Destroyed	Probably Destroyed		_ Damaged
(h) AIMING POINT	DIMENSIONS OR TONNAGE	(i) NO A/C ATTACKING (k) SQUADRON	BOMBS AND AMMUNITION EXPENDED EACH AIMING POINT	(m) NO HITS On Ainting Point	DAMAGE (Niche stight serious, destroyed or sunk)
Buildings	200 X 100 feet	4 FM-2 VC-85	1650 x .50 cal	Not	Not Observed
Observation Tower	50 fact	4 FM-2 VC-85	1000 x .50 cal	Not	Not Observed
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(p) Were Photographs Taken?____Photographs of Damage, WhenTaken, Should Be Attached By Staple.

⁽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).

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XII. TACTICAL AND OPERATIONAL DATA. (Narrative and comment. Describe action fully and comment freely, following applicable items in check list at left. Use additional sheets if necessary.)

ENGAGEMENT WITH ENEMY OWN AIRCRAFT

Altitudes
Speeds
Approach Tactics
Use of Cover, Deception
Angles of Attack and
Their Effectiveness
Distance of Opening Fire
Defense Tactics and
Their Effectiveness

ENEMY AIRCRAFT

Method of Locating, Distance Disposition Altitudes Speeds Approach Tactics Use of Cover, Deception Angles of Attack Distance of Opening Fire Defensive Tactics

COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Own Weaknesses
Enemy Weaknesses
Offensive Tactics, Own
" , Enemy
Defensive Tactics, Own
" , Enemy
Flexible Gunnery, Own
Escort Tactics
Fighter Direction
Use of Radar
Night Fighting
Recognition, Aircraft

ATTACK

OWN TACTICS

Method of Locating Target
Approach to Target
Altitudes, Speeds
Approach
Dive
Pull-Out
Dive Angle
Strafing
Retirement
Defensive Tactics
Use of Jamming

DEFENSE, ENEMY

Evasive Tactics, Ships Concealment Searchlights Night Fighter Tactics Use of Jamming

COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Bombing Tactics
Torpedo Tactics
Effectiveness of
Bombs, Torpedoes
Selection of Targets
Fuzing
Strafing Tactics
Defensive Tactics
Use of Radar
Reconnaissance
Photography
Briefing

OPERATIONAL

Navigation
Homing
Rendezvous
Recognition, Ships
Communications
Flight Operations
Search and Tracking
Base Operations
Maintenance

Four FM-2s of VC-85, led by Lieutenant (junior grade) James D. INGRAM, USMR, took off on Combat Air Patrol over Okinawa Gunto.

After patrolling their assigned sector for two hours, the flight was relieved on station and ordered to strafe targets of opportunity on Kume Shima.

Strafing runs were made on buildings, probably deserted, and an observation tower. Damage was not assessed although several fires were started.

No enemy opposition developed and all planes returned safely to base.

No material failures were reported.

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XIII. MATERIAL DATA. (Comment freely on performance or suitability, following check list at left.

Use additional sheets if necessary).

ARMAMENT

Guns, Gunsights
Turrets
Ammunition
Bombs, Torpedoes
Bomb Sights
Bomb Releases

COMMUNICATIONS

Radio, Radar Homing Devices Visual Signals Codes, Ciphers

RECOGNITION

IFF Signals Battle Lights Procedures

PROTECTION

Armor; Points and Angles of Fire Needing Further Protection Leak Proofing

EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT

Parachutes
Life Belts, Life Rafts
Safety Belts
Emergency Kits
Rations, First Aid

NAVIGATIONAL EQUIPMENT

Compasses
Driftsights
Octants
Automatic Pilots
Charts
Field Lighting

INSTRUMENTS

Flight Power Plant

OXYGEN SYSTEM

CAMOUFLAGE AND DECEPTION DEVICES

STRUCTURE

Airframe
Control Surfaces
Control, System
Dive Flaps
Landing Gear
Heating System
Flight Characteristics
At Various Loadings

POWER PLANT

Engines
Engine Accessories
Propellers
Lubricating System
Starters
Exhaust Dampers

HYDRAULIC SYSTEM

ELECTRICAL SYSTEM

Auxiliary Plant Lights

FUEL SYSTEM

FLIGHT CLOTHING

MAINTENANCE

BASE FACILITIES

Plane Servicing Equipment Personnel Facilities

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FORWARDED:

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