Mission No. 203 - Osaka - Amagasaki Urban Area

15 June 1945

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SPECIFIC SUBJECT	TYPE OF MESSAGE	MESSAGE NO.	DATE AND TIME SENT	DATE AND TIME REC'D	INITIALS
Brief of Field Order.	Liaison	FN-14-4		140525Z	tt

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WCR V YAMF NR 12 OP OP TOP SECRET 14 JUNE 45

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// FN-14-4

FROM: LEMAY COMGENBOMCOM 21 140525Z

TO : COMAF 20

INFO: DEPCOMAF 20 POA

Mission 203

AIMCR 5543 SUBJECT: BRIEF OF FIELD ORDER NO.86 FOR 15 JUNE 45 STRIKE. OSAKA - AMAGASAKI URBAN AREA IS SCHEDULED TO BE ATTACKED ON 15 JUNE 45 AT 0015 ZEBRA TIME WITH MAXIMUM EFFORT OF THE COMMAND (500 AIRPLANES) ESCORTED BY 96 P51'S

MPI	FORCE REQUIRED	TONNAGE PER A/C
123087	3 GROUPS	5.5
118062	3 GROUPS	5.5
054126	3 GROUPS	5.5
035137	3 GROUPS	5.5
018150	3 GROUPS	5.5

REFERENCE: XXI BOMCOM LITHO MOSAIC OSAKA AREA 90.25 URBAN BOMB LOADING AND FUSING:

AN-M47/-2 1B'S FUSED WITH INSTANTANEOUS NOSE AND AN INTERVALOMETER SETTING OF 75 FEET.

M17 1C AND CLUSTERS CONTAINING M69 BOMBS FUSED TO OPEN 5000 FEET ABOVE TARGET WITH AN INTERVALOMETER SETTING OF 35 FEET.

ROUTE TO TARGET:

BASE
IWO JIMA
3-50 - (13445, 13505) DEPARTURE LINE

Classification Changed to SECRET 5-8-46 By Authority of C. G. AAF, by Ray G. Baker Ray G. Baker, Capt. A. C.

341550 - 13504 IP

TARGET
LRIGHT BREAKAWAY TO 3355 - 13610

IWO JIMA

BASE
GENERAL SCHEME OF ATTACK: COMPOSITE WINGS COMPOSED OF THREE GROUPS EACH ARE SCHEDULED TO STRIKE THE AIMING POINTS IN THE ORDER LISTED AT AN ALTITUDE OF 18,000 - 20,000 FEET IN A COWUMN OF SQUADRONS WITH ~~1914 .8,15 735233,~~ FOUR MINUTES BETWEEN GROUPS AND EIGHT MINIES BETWEEN WINGS.
TAKEOFF - 1600Z
TARGET - 0015Z

RETURN - 0700Z
..END...
TOD:3140601 DM

ROGER 140601Z FWH
N
END...

TOD: 140802Z JO
ROGER 14081
02Z WCR

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1st Off	Telecon	FN-14-14		141729Z	BGR
Consolidated Take off	"	FN-14-15		142043Z	BGR

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SCR V YAMF NR3Ø OPOP S E C R E T

(PASS TO COMAF 2Ø AS FN-14-15)

FROM: BOMCOM XXI 14195Z

TO : COMAF 2ØØ
INFO: DEPCOMAF 2Ø (POA) BOMWG 58-73-313-314-315 ATTN: A-2'S

"T" TO GROUPS PRECEDENCE SAME AS ACTION)

AIMCR 5566

GR5Ø

SUBJECT: TAKE OFF REPORT FOR MISSION NO . 2Ø3 TARGET OSAKA-
AMAGASAKI FLOWN 15 JUNE 19&5.

1. UNITS:	BOMCOM	58WG	73RD	313WG	314WG
2. A/C SCHEDU EB:	524	144	148	96	136
3. A/C AIRBORNE:	511	138	144	94	~~135~~ 136
4. 1ST A/C OFF:	141631Z	141643Z	141635Z	141633Z	141631Z
5. LAST A/C OXX:	141818Z	141803Z	141818Z	141758Z	141802Z

6. REMARKS: SUPER DUMBO AIRBORNE BY 73RD WING AT 141807Z.

END.

TOD:2042Z RH
ROGER 2043Z WCR

SECRET

DISTRIBUTION

ACTION:	C/S	DC/S Opr	DC/S TM&E	DC/S P&A	A-1	A-2	A-3 Tng	A-3 OC&R	A-4	A-5 Plans	Air Insp	PRO
	Comm.	Op Anal	Stat Con	Anti-Acft	FSO	A.G.	Surg					
INFORMATION:	C/S	DC/S Opr	DC/S TM&E	DC/S P&A	A-1	A-2	A-3 Tng	A-3 OC&R	A-4	A-5 Plans	Air Insp	PRO
	Comm.	Op Anal	Stat Con	Anti-Acft	FSO	A.G.	Surg					

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WCR V YAMF NR 29 OPOP SECRET

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(PASS TO COMAF 20 AS [illegible]N-14-14)

T CTU 94.11.3 CTG 93.4 ISCOM IWO CTG 94.11 21 BOMCOM CSC IWO.

FROM: XXI BOM COM 141645Z

TO: COM AF 20

SECRET

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~~INFO:~~

~~DEP COM AF~~

~~[illegible]~~

INFO: DEP COM AF 20

BT

GR-130

AIMCR 5565 SUBJECT: FIRST TAKEOFF REPORT ON STRIKE NUMBER 203

(OSAKA-AMAGASAKI URBAN AREA)

FIRST AIRCRAFT AIRBORNE AT 141631Z.

WEATHER EXPECTED: BASES AT TAKEOFF: 4 TO 6/10 LOW CLOUD WITH BASES AT 1800 TOPS 6 TO 10,000 FT WITH SCATTERED SHOWERS IN AREA. ROUTE TO TARGET: 4/10 LOW CLOUD WITH SCATTERED LARGE CUMULUS TOPS TO 20,000 FEET WHERE-AS TOPS GENERALLY TO 6,000 FT. NEAR 30 DEG. NORTH AND EXTENDING TO 33 DEG. NORTH A FRONT WITH 10/10 CLOUD TO 30,000 FEET AND RAIN. NORTH OF FRONT LOW CLOUD DECREASE TO 7/10 WITH TOPS 10,000 FEET MIDDLE CLOUD BREAKS TO LAYERS BETWEEN 14 AND 20,000 FEET AND HIGH CLOUD LAYERS AT 28,000 FT. TARGET: 5/10 LOW CLOUD WITH TWO LEVELS OF 3/10 MIDDLE CLOUD AT 14 TO 16,000 AND AT 19 TO 21,000 WITH 8/10 HIGH CLOUD AT 30,000 FEET. VISIBILITY 12 MILES WIND AT BOMBING LEVEL 260 DEG 45 KNOTS. BASES ON RETURN: 4/10 LOW CLOUD WITH SCATTERED LIGHT SHOWERS.

END....

~~CCN -- LINE 7 UNDER BT GP 8 SHOULD READ CLOUD RPT CLOUD INSTEAD OF "CLUD"~~

~~END...~~

TOD: 1729Z ~~WUOLDCO RUMXSLV HDGMKOFJ HU~~

SECRET

~~NOW LOW NOW NOWN~~

TELECON CONFERENCE 061407 15Z

SUBJECT: SPECIAL CONFERENCE

PRESENT HERE: LT BOWER

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Bomb Away	Telecon	7N-15-2		150350Z	ER
Add. Bombs Away	Telecon	7N-15-4		150540Z	ER
Return Report	Telecon	7N-15-15		151234Z	ER
1st Bombs Away	Telecon	7N-15-01		150045Z	ER

BOMB STRIKE
RETURN RPTS

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WCR V YAMF NR5

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TELECON MSG FN-15-01 OPOP SECRET

FROM: LEMAY COMGENBOMCOM 21 150045Z

TO : COMAF 20

INFO: DEPCOMAF 20 (POA) (OP)

A1MCR 5570....SUBJECT: FIRST BOMBS AWAY ON STRIKE NO.203 (OSAKA-AMAGASAKI AREA) FIRST AIRCRAFT BOMBED PRIMARY TARGET BY RADAR AT 150020Z THROUGH 10/10 CLOUDS WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS REPORTING NO ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION AND MEAGER FLAK.
((END))
TOD 150101Z GES
ROGER V WCR

SECRET

DISTRIBUTION

ACTION:	C/S	DC/S Opr	DC/S TM&E	DC/S P&A	A-1	A-2	A-3 Tng	A-3 OC&R	A-4			
	A-5 Plans	Air Insp	PRO	Comm.	Op Anal	Stat Con	Anti-Acft	FSC				
	A.G.	Surg										
INFORMATION:	C/S	DC/S Opr	DC/S TM&E	DC/S P&A	A-1	A-2	A-3 Tng	A-3 OC&R	A-4			
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	A.G.	Surg										

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TELECON MSG FN-15-15

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FROM: BOM COM XXI 151234Z

TO : COMAF 20

INFO: DEPCOMAF 20 (POA) COMGENBOMWG58 ATTN: A-2

COMGENBOMWG73 ATTN: A-2 COMGENBOMWG 313 ATTN: ARAW

COMGENBOMWG 314 ATTN: A-2 COMGENBOMWG315 ATTN: A-2

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AIMCR 5604

SUBJECT: RETURN REPORT MISSION NO. 203 TARGET OSAKA AMAGASAKI URBAN AREAS FLOWN 15 JUNE 1945.

1. UNIT:	XXI B.C.	58 WG	73 WG	313	314
2. A/C RETURNED:	460	133	135	85	107
3. A/C AWAY:	51	5	9	9	28
4. KNOWN LOSSES:	1	Ø	Ø	Ø	1
A. TARGET AREA:	Ø	Ø	Ø	Ø	Ø
B. DITCHED:	Ø	Ø	Ø	Ø	Ø
C. OTHERS:	1	Ø	Ø	Ø	1
5. A/C MISSING:	Ø	Ø	Ø	Ø	Ø
6. TIME DOWN FIRST:	150528Z	150617Z	150528Z	150558Z	150700Z
7. TIME DOWN LAST:	150902Z	150901Z	150829Z	150852Z	150902Z
8. A/C NOT BOMBING:	44	11	11	3	19
9. A/C BOMBS UNKNOWN:	29	4	Ø	6	19

10. TGTS ATKD.	NO. A/C	CLOUD	ALTITUDE	METHOD	RESULTS
PRIMARY	423	10/10	21,350'	RADAR(4-DR)	UNOBS
SHIRAHAMA (OPP)	1	"	20,000'	RADAR	"
KUSHIMOTO (OPP)	1	"	22,000'	RADAR	UNOBS
KATSURA (OPP)	1	"	16,500'	RADAR	UNOBS
TOKUSHIMA (OPP)	1	"	21,500'	RADAR	UNOBS
UNKNOWN OPP TGT	1	(A/C STILL AT IWO)			
WAKAYAMA (OPP)	2	10/10	21,150	RADAR	UNOBS
KOCHI (OPP)	1	"	12,000'	RADAR	UNOBS
KUKIDA (OPP)	1	"	20,000'	"	UNOBS
KUSHIMOTO (OPP)	2	"	19,750'	"	UNOBS
OWANO (OPP)	1	"	18,000'	"	UNOBS
MATSUNE (OPP)	1	"	21,000'	"	UNOBS
CHICHI JIMA (OPP)	1	5/10	16,500'	VISUAL	GOOD
SHINO-MISAKI (OPP)	1	10/10	25,500'	D R	UNOBS
MUGI (OPP)	1	"	23,000'	RADAR	UNOBS

11. E/A OPPOSITION: NIL

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12. FLAK: MOSTLY NIL. A FEW CREWS REPORT AS FOLLOWS:

PRIMARY TARGET: HEAVY - MEAGER - INACCURATE

13. OBSERVATIONS: NIL.

14. REMARKS: 46 A/C LANDED IWO JIMA FOR VARIOUS MECHANICAL REASONS. 1 A/C (314TH WING) CRASHED AT SEA APPROXIMATELY 4 MINUTES AFTER TAKE OFF, REASON UNKNOWN. NO SURVIVORS. 1 A/C (314TH WING) ACTED AS WEATHER OBSERVER AND DID NOT BOMB (INCLUDED IN ABOVE FIGURES.

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A. TARGET AREA:	Ø	Ø	Ø	Ø	Ø
B. DITCHED:	Ø	Ø	Ø	Ø	Ø
C. OTHERS:	1	Ø	Ø	Ø	1
5. A/C MISSING:	Ø	Ø	Ø	Ø	Ø
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(8 PRS R-3 YAMF 13)

FROM: BOMCOM XXI 150542Z
TO: COMAF 20
INFO: DEPCOMAF 20 (POA) BOMWG'S 58-73-313-314-315 ATTN: A-2
T TO GROUPS
AIMCR 5580 SUBJECT: ADDITIONAL BOMBS AWAY FOR MISSION NO. 203.
TARGET OSAKA-AMAGASAKI URBAN AREA, FLOWN 15 JUNE 1945

1. 45 A/C REPORTED BOMBS AWAY ACCOUNTING FOR:

2.

NO. A/C	TARGET	METHOD	RESULTS	TIME
61	PRIMARY	58 RADAR 2 NAV-1 VIS.	UNOBSERVED	150015Z-150311Z
3	OPPORTUNITY	RADAR	UNOBSERVED	150015Z-150052Z

3. REMARKS: WEATHER 10/10 CLOUD. E/A OPPOSITION NIL. ALL A/C REPORTED NO FLAK EXCEPT 1 A/C BOMBING OPPORTUNITY TARGET WHICH REPORTED FLAK AS MEAGER. INFLIGHT REPORTS DO NOT ACCOUNT FOR ALL A/C. WILL FORWARD ANY ADDITIONAL BOMBS AWAY IF RECEIVED.

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ROGER 150639Z WCR

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WCR V YAMF NR6 OPERATIONAL PRIORITY SECRET 15 JUNE 45Z

PASS TO COMAF 20 AS FN-15-02

FROM: BOMCOM XXI 150350Z

TO : COMAF 20

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INFO: (OPOP) DEPCOMAF 20 (POA) BOMWG'S 58-73-313-314-315 ATTN: A-2

AIMCR 5574

SUBJECT: CONSOLIDATED BOMBS AWAY FOR MISSION NO.203, TARGET OSAKA-

AMAGASAKI URBAN AREA, FLOWN 15 JUNE 1945.

1. 104 A/C REPORTED BOMBS AWAY ACCOUNTING FOR:

2. NO. A/C TARGET METHOD RESULTS TIME
212 PRIMARY RADAR UNOBSERVED 142346Z - 150142Z
2 OPPORTUNITY RADAR UNOBSERVED 150013Z - 150023Z

3. A/C RETURNED EARLY: 30

4. REMARKS: WEATHER OVER TARGET REPORTED AS 10/10 CLOUD. E/A OPPOSITION WAS NIL. 6 A/C REPORTED MEAGER FLAK--1 A/C MODERATE FLAK--ALL OTHERS REPORTED NO FLAK. ALL INFLIGHT REPORTS NOT RECEIVED AT THIS TIME. AD-

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ADDITIONAL BOMBS AWAY REPORT WILL FOLLOW AS SOON AS AVAILABLE. THIS REPORT IS FRAGMENTARY AND SUBJECT TO CORRECTION.

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TOD 1504262 GES
ROGER V WCR

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Report to DAAS	Typed	—		15 June	EL
Mission Summary	Telecon			160752Z	HH
Summary	Report		16 June		HH

MISSION REPORT

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SUMMARY

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10 June

HEADQUARTERS TWENTIETH AIR FORCE

REPORT OF XXI BOMBER COMMAND

OPERATION NO. 203 - 15 June 1945
Date

Targets Bombed: Total A/C Bombing: 471

Osaka - Amagasaki - 444

Other Targets - 27

Time Over Target: 150844 - 151047 Theater Time

tons Dropped:
Bomb ~~XXXXX~~

3330.4 tons (10887 M-17, 15559 M-47, 361 E-46)

Results: Unobserved

Tactics: Daylight bombing by radar from an altitude of 20,500 to 23,000 ft.

A/C Lost or Missing: 1 a/c crashed into sea shortly after take-off.

Weather: 10/10 middle cloud with tops at 19 - 23,000 ft., 10/10 high clouds, base 24,000 ft. mod. rime icing reported. Winds at 21,000 ft. was 260 deg. at 45 knots.

Fighter Opposition: None

Flak: Heavy caliber - meager and generally inaccurate.

Claims: None

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Observations:

Fighter Support: 100 P-51's airborne but turned back due to weather.

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WCR V YAMF NR 15 OP OP P SECRET 16 JUNE 45UDSQLHBW
KNV
M QQ PB

FROM: BOMCOM XXI 160752Z

TO: COMAF 20

INFO: DEPCOMAF 20 (POA) BONWGS 58-73-313-314-315 ATTN: A-2'S (T-TO GPS) AIMCR 5628

SUBJECT: MISSION SUMMARY FOR MISSION NO. 203 TARGET OSAKA-AMAGASAKI

FLOWN 15(JUNE 7,3 1945.

1& UNITS:	BOMCOM	58TH WG	73RD WG	313TH BW	314TH WG
2. TAKE OFF:					
FIRST:	141600Z	141643Z	141635Z	141633ZH	141600Z
LAST:	141803Z	141803Z	141747Z	141758Z	141802Z
3. A/C AIRBORNE:	512	138	144	94	136R
4. BOMBS AIRBORNE:					
A. TYPE AND NO:					
M-17	12087	2076	4497	1508	4006
M-47	16578	10140	0	6438	0
E-46	361	0	0	361	0
B. FUSINGS:					
M-17	31.5 TO 34.6 NOSE				
M-47 H	INSTANTEOUS NOSE.				
E-46	TO OPEN AT 5,000 FT				
5. BOMB DISPOSTION:					
TGT & TYPE BOMB:	A/C-BMBS	A/C-BMBS	A/C-BMBS	A/C-BMBS	A/C-BMBS
PRIMARY: M-17	444-10303	119-1729	132-4126	85-1312	108-3136
M-47	-14689	-8811	-0	-5818	-0
E-46	-346 DAP		-0	-346 N	-0

TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY:

A/C	M-17	M-47	E-46
58TH WING			
SHIRAHAMA	1	0	182	0
KUSHIMOTO H	1PH	27	0	0
KATSUURA	1	27	0	0
TOKUSHIMA	1	27	0	0
3415N-13615E	1	27	0	0
UNKNOWN	1	0	132	

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KINOMOTO (X)	1	16		Ø	Ø
73RD WING					
WAKAYAMA	1	28		Ø	Ø
313TH WING					
WAKAYAMA	2	30		184	Ø
TOKUSHIMA	1	32		Ø	Ø
KOCHI	1	32		Ø	1
UJIYAMADA	1	Ø		184	Ø
FUKIDA	1	Ø	P	184	Ø
SHINGU (X)	1	Ø		4	8
314TH WING					
CHICHI JIMA	2	51		Ø	Ø
SHIONO-MISAKI A/F	1	32		Ø	Ø
WAKAYAMA	1	32		Ø	Ø
TOKO SHIMA	1	32		Ø	Ø
MUGI	1	32		Ø	Ø
MATSUNE	1	20		Ø	Ø
KUSHIMOHO	2	44		Ø	Ø
UWANO H	H 1	28		Ø	Ø
KATSUURA	1	29	I	Ø	Ø
58TH WING					
KOBE (X)	Y	46 H		Ø	Ø
BOMCOM TOTALS/	21	584		870	15

(X) A/C BOMBED PRIMARY TARGET AND TARGET OF OPPORTUNITY.

	HHT	BOMCOM	58 WG	73 WG	313 WG	314 WG
B. JETTISONED:		41 A/C	12 A/C	11 A/C	3 A/C	15 A/C
TYPE BOMBS		NO. BMBS	NO. BMBS	NO. BMBS	NO. BMBS	NO. BMBS
M-17		1166	177	342	105	542
M-47		1022	1015	Ø	7	Ø
C. RETURNED:		3 A/C	Ø A/CZ	1 A/C	1 A/C	1 A/C
TYPE BOMBS		NO.BMBS	NO.BMBS	NO.BPTY	NO.BMBS	NO.BMBS
M-17	6			1	1	4
M-47		1	Ø	Ø	1	Ø
D. CRASHED A/C:	X1 A/C		Ø A/C	Ø A/C	Ø A/C	1 A/C
TYPE BOMBS		NO.BMBS	NO.BMBS	NO.BMBS	NO.BMBS	NOJMKBMBS
M-17	I 24		Ø	Ø	Ø	S 24
6. A/C NOT BOMBING:	42	12				16
(CCN UNDER 313TH IN 6. A/C NOT BOMBING: SHLD READ 3 RPT 3 NOT 33						
A. MECHANICAL:	40	12		10	3	15
B.	1	Ø		1	Ø	Ø
C. WEATHER:	Ø	Ø		Ø	Ø	Ø
D. OTHER:	1	Ø		Ø	Ø	1
7. AVG. BOMB ALT:						
A. PRIMARY:		21250	21000	21700	20500	I 21800
B. OTHERS:		11-23000	16-22000	21300	11-23000	20500
8. TIME BOMBS AWAY:						

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SHIONO-MIS AKI A/F		1	32	Ø		
WAKAYAMA		1	32	Ø		
TOKO SHIMA		1	32	Ø	Ø	
MUGI		1	32	Ø	Ø	
MATSUNE		1	20	Ø	Ø	
KUSHIMOHO		2	44	Ø	Ø	
UWANO	H H	1	28	Ø	Ø	
KATSUURA		1	29	I Ø	Ø	
58TH WING						
KOBE (X)		Y	46 H	Ø	Ø	
BOMCOM TOTALS/		21	584	870	15	

(X) A/C BOMBED PRIMARY TARGET AND TARGET OF OPPORTUNITY.

	HHT	BOMCOM	58 WG	73 WG	313 WG	314 WG
B. JETTISONED:		41 A/C	12 A/C	11 A/C	3 A/C	15 A/C
TYPE BOMBS		NO. BMBS	NO. BMBS	NO. BMBS	NO. BMBS	NO. BMBS
M-17		1166	171	342	105	542
M-47		1022	1015	Ø	7	Ø
C. RETURNED:		5 A/C	Ø A/CZ	1 A/C	1 A/C	1 A/C
TYPE BOMBS		NO.BMBS	NO.BMBS	NO.BPTY	NO.BMBS	NO.BMBS
M-17	6	Ø	1	1	4	
M-47		1	Ø	Ø	1	Ø
D. CRASHED A/C:	X1 A/C	Ø A/C	Ø A/C	Ø A/C	1 A/C	
TYPE BOMBS		NO.BMBS	NO.BMBS	NO.BMBS	NO.BMBS	NOJMKBMBS
M-17	I 24	Ø	Ø	Ø	S 24	
6. A/C NOT BOMBING:	42	12	11	3	16	
(CCN UNDER 313TH IN 6. A/C NOT BOMBING: SHLD READ 3 RPT 3 NOT 33						
A. MECHANICAL:	40	12	10	3	15	
B.	1	Ø	1	Ø	Ø	
C. WEATHER:	Ø	Ø	Ø	Ø	Ø	
D. OTHER:	1	Ø	Ø	Ø	1	
7. AVG. BOMB ALT:						
A. PRIMARY:		21250	21000	21700	20500	I 21800
B. OTHERS:		11-23000	16-22000	21300	11-23000	20500
8. TIME BOMBS AWAY:						
A. PRIMARY: FIRST		142344Z	150001Z	152356Z	142344Z	150014Z
LAST:		150147Z	150131Z	150147Z	150128Z	150146Z
B. OTHERS: FIRST:		142349Z	150013Z	150109Z	150010Z	142349Z
LAST:		150120Z	150115Z	---	150103Z	150120Z
9. BOMB METHOD						
A. PRIMARY:		439 RAD	116 RAD	I132 RAD	85 RAD	106 RAD
		6 NAV	4 NAV			2 NAV
OTHERS:		21 RAD	6 RAD	1 RAD	6 RAD	8 RAD
		1 VIS	1 NAV			1 VIS
		2 NAV				1 NAV

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10. TIME RETURN:

FIRST:	150528Z	150617Z	150528Z	150558Z	150700Z
LAST:	150902Z	~~JQTPOPQZ~~ 150901Z	150829Z	150901Z	150902Z

11. CLAIMS:

A. DESTROYED:	Ø S	Ø	Ø	Ø	Ø
B. PROBABLES:	Ø	Ø	Ø	Ø	Ø
C. DAMAGED:	Ø	Ø	Ø	Ø	Ø

12. CASUALTIES:

E. KILLED:	Ø	Ø	Ø	Ø	Ø
B. WOUNDED:	Ø	Ø	Ø	Ø	Ø
C. MISSING:	11	Ø	Ø	Ø	11
13. NO. A/C LOST:	1	Ø	Ø	Ø	1
A. TO ACCIDENT:	1	Ø	Ø	Ø	1
14. A/C DAMAGED:					
A. MAJOR:	1	Ø	1	Ø	Ø
D. MINOR I	Ø	Ø	Ø	Ø	Ø

PART B: NARRATIVE:

1. AIR OPPOSITION: NONE

2. FLAK:

LOCATION:	CALIBER	INTENSITY	ACCURACY
PRIMARY TARGET	HEAVY	MAGER	GENERRALLY INACCURATE
ATAKI CAPE	HEAVY	MEAGER	INACCURATE
TOKUSHIMA	HEAVY	MEAGER	INACCURATE
REASSEMBLY POINT	HEAVY	MEAGER-MODERATE	INACCURATE
DEPARTURE PGINT	HEAVY	MEAGER-MODERATE	UNACCURATE

3. WEATHER: BASES AT TAKE OFF: GUAM: 10/10 LOW CLOUD, BASE 1000 FT WITH RAIN REDUCING VISIBILITY TO 1-3 MILES. SAIPAN AND TINIAN: 4-5/10 LOW CLOUD, BASE 1500 FT.

ROUTE OUTGOING: TO 30 N: 3-5/10 LOW CLOUD, BASE 2,000 FT, TOP 5-1000 FT WITH SCATTERED BUILD UPS HO 12,000 FT WITH SHOWERS IN ZONE TO 20 NORTH. 30N TO34N: 8-10/10 LOW CLOUDS, BASE 1000 FT, TOP 8-12,000 FT; 10/10 MIDDLE CLOUD BASE 7-9000 FT, TOP 22,000 FT; 10/10 HICH CLOUDS, BASE 23,000 FT; HEAVY RAIN AND MODERATE TO HEAVY RIME ICE WITH OCCASIONAL REPORTS OF CLEAR ICE.

TARGET: LOW CLOUDS UNOBSERVED; 10/10 MIDDLE CLOUD WITH TOPS AT 19-23,000 FT; 10/0 HICH CLOUDS, BASE 24,000 FT; MODERATE RIME ICING REPORTED; WINDS AT 21,000 FT WERE 260 DEGREES AT 45 KNOTS!

ROUTE RETURNING: SAME AS ROUTE OUTGOING.

BASES ON RETURN: GUAM: 6/10 LOW CLOUDS, BASE 1800 FT, TOP 5-7000 FT.

SAIPAN AND TINIAN: 4/10 LOW CLOUD, BASE 1800 FEET.

RMARKS: FORMATION COULD NOT BE ACCOMPLIFSED DUE TO SOLID CLOUD CONDITIONS FOUND OVER ASSEMBLY POINT AND TARGET.

4. AIR SEA RESCUE: 4 SUPER DUMBOS, 5 DUMBOS, 4 LIFEGUARD SUBMARINES AND 3 SURFACE VESSELS ASSIGNED TO COVER ROUTE OF MISSION. SEARCH CONDUCTED FOR SURVIVORS OF 314TH WING A/C THAT CRASHED INTO SEA SHORTLY AFTER TAKEOFF NEGATIVE. NO OTHER ACTIONS REQUIRED.

5. FIGHTER ESCORHVX 100 P-51'S AIRBORNE FROM IWO. TURNED BACK DUE TO BAD WEATHER.

6. BOMBING RESULTS: UNOBSERVED. NO PHOTOS OBTAINED DUE TO 10/10

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14. A/C DAMAGED:

A. MAJOR:	1	Ø	1	Ø	
D. MINOR I	Ø	Ø	Ø	Ø	Ø

PART B: NARRATIVE:

1. AIR OPPOSITION: NONE

2. FLAK:

LOCATION:	CALIBER	INTENSITY	ACCURACY
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5. FIGHTER ESCORT: 100 P-51'S AIRBORNE FROM IWO. TURNED BACK DUE TO BAD WEATHER.

6. BOMBING RESULTS: UNOBSERVED. NO PHOTOS OBTAINED DUE TO 10/10 CLOUD COVER.

7. REMARKS:

A. A/C 21V/55 OF THE 58TH WING CRASHED ON RUNWAY BEFORE BECOMING AIRBORNE. NO CASUALTIES. A/C NOT CARRIED AS AIRBORNE.

B. A/C OF 73RD WING RETURNING EARLY CIRCLED FIELD TWO HOURS IN AN EFFOR TO LOWER LANDING GEAR. MADE CRASH LAODING, NO CASUALTIES.

C. ONE A/C OF THE 314TH WING SERVED AS WEATHER REPORTING PLANE AND WAS INCLUDED IN THE TOTAL AIRBORNE ONLY.

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SFROM: OIC YAMG 161356Z
TO: OIC WAR
BT
PLS MAKE FOLLOWING CORRECTIONS ON OUR AIMCR 5628 DTG 160752Z
UNDER PARA 6 LINE B. SHOULD READ; " B. PERSONNELL 1 Ø 1 Ø Ø
"

PARA 8 LINE A. FIFTH GROUP, SHOULD READ: " 142356Z RPT 142356Z" .

INSTEAD OF "152356Z"

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ROGER V WCR 1419Z

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WCR V YAMF NR 21 - OP OP OP SECRET 16 JUNE 45

TELECON MESSAGE FN-16-11

SECRET

FROM COMBOM 21 161230Z

TO : COMAF 20

INFO: DEPCOMAF 20 (POA)

AIMCR 5638

SUBJECT: NAVAL OBSERVATIONS, 15 JUNE 1945.

8 SHIP CONVOY WEST OF YAKU SHIMA.

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TOD: 1545."Z VF

ROGER 1545Z WCR

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	A-5	Plans	Air Insp	PRO	Comm.	Op Anal	Stat Con	Anti-Acft	FSC				
	A.G.	Surg											
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HEADQUARTERS TWENTIETH AIR FORCE

REPORT OF XXI BOMBER COMMAND

OPERATION NO. 203 - 15 June 1945
Date

Targets Bombed: Total A/C Bombing: 439 (incomplete)

Osaka Amagasaki Urban Areas 423

Other Targets 16

Txxxxxxxxxxxxxx: Theater Time

Bxxxxxxxx:

Rxxxxxxx

Txxxxxx:

A/C Lost or Missing: 1 a/c crashed at sea shortly after take-off, reason unknown.

Weather: 10/10 cloud

Fighter Opposition: Nil

Flak: Nil reported by most of thecrews. Few crews reported heavy caliber fire - meagre and inaccurate.

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TELECON MESSAGE NO 15-4 Ø61423352 RESTRICTED

SUBJECT: PRESS FLASH

TO : COMGENBOMCOM 21

INFO : DEPCOMAF 2Ø POA

FROM : COMAF 2Ø

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THE FOLLOWING PRESS FLASH WILL BE RELEASED HERE AND SIMULTANEOUSLY BY YOU ONE HOUR AFTER RECEIPT OF FIRST BOMBS AWAY IS ACKNOWLEDGED:

"SUPERFORTRESSES OF THE TWENTIETH AIR FORCE STRUCK AT THE OSAKA AREA IN A DAYLIGHT INCENDIARY MISSION 14 JUNE EWT (15 JUNE, JAPANESE TIME) A VERY LARGE TASK FORCE OF B-29'S, FLYING FROM BASES OF MAJOR GENERAL CURTIS E. LEMAY'S XXI BOMBER COMMAND IN THE MARIANAS, BOMBED URBAN OSAKA AND THE ADJOINING CITY OF AMAGASAKI. P-51 MUSTANGS BASED ON IWO JIMA PROVIDED FIGHTER ESCORT.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE MISSION WAS MADE AT HEADQUARTERS OF THE TWENTIETH AIR FORCE IN WASHINGTON WHERE IT WAS SAID THAT DETAILS WOULD BE REVEALED WHEN COMPLETE OPERATIONAL REPORTS ARE RECEIVED."

(ATTENTION: REES INFOR WIPPOLD FROM HIGGINS)

(INFOR PRO'S ALL WINGS)

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