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## AIRCRAFT ACTION REPORT

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52850 I. GENERAL (b) Based on or at \_\_\_\_\_(c) Report No. \_\_\_\_\_\_(s) (a) Unit Reporting (e) Mission (f) Time of Return (Zone) II. OWN AIRCRAFT OFFICIALLY COVERED BY THIS REPORT. NUMBER TYPE SQUADRON BOMBS AND TORPEDOES TAKING ENGAGING ATTACKING FUZE, SETTING CARRIED (PER PLANE) OFF ENEMY A/C TARGET (a) (b) (d) (f) (g) V7-45 rer-5 To the same III. OTHER U. S. OR ALLIED AIRCRAFT EMPLOYED IN THIS OPERATION. TYPE SQUADRON NUMBER BASE TYPE **SQUADRON** NUMBER BASE one IV. ENEMY AIRCRAFT OBSERVED OR ENGAGED (By Own Aircraft Listed in II Only). (a) (b) (c) (d) TIME LOCATION OF BOMBS, TORPEDOES CARRIED; GUNS OBSERVED CAMOUFLAGE AND NO. NO ENGAGING TYPE OBSERVED ENCOUNTERED OWN A/C ENCOUNTER MARKING Val The temp which mottled brown inter Teks (ZONE) Gent Itmo seen. Not observed from below (h) Apparent Enemy Mission(s) Did Any Part of Encounter(s) Occur in Clouds? (YES OR NO) If so, Describe Clouds. (BASE IN FEET, TYPE AND TENTHS OF COVER) Time of Day and Brilliance of Sun or Moon. (k) Visibility (NIGHT, BRIGHT MOON; DAY, OVERCAST; ETC.) (MILES) V. ENEMY AIRCRAFT DESTROYED OR DAMAGED IN AIR (By Own Aircraft Listed in II Only).

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	XI. ATTACK ON EN	EMY SHIPS OF	R GROUND OBJECT	IVES (By Own Aircraft Lister	d in 11 Only)	•
a)	Target(s) and Location	(FOR SHI	PS INCLUDE ALL IN AREA L	JNDER ATTACK) (b) Time Ov	er Target(s)	(Zone)
c)	Clouds Over Target		(BASE IN FEET.	TYPE AND TENTHS OF COVER)	71 Se	
d)	Visibility of Target	(CLEAR, HA	ZY. PARTIALLY OBSCURED	BY CLOUDS, ETC.)	Visibility	(MILES)
f)	Bombing Tactics: Type		(LEVEL, GLIDE OR DIVE)	Bomb Sight U	sed	(TYPE)
	Bombs Dropped per Rui	(NUMBE	Spacing	(FEET) Altitude	of Bomb Rel	ease (FEET)
g)	Number of Enemy Airc	craft Hit on Gro	ound: Destroyed	Probably Destroyed	2.	_ Damaged
	(h) AIMING POINT	DIMENSIONS OR TONNAGE	(j) NO. A/C ATTACKING (k) SQUADRON	BOMBS AND AMMUNITION EXPENDED, EACH AIMING POINT	NO HITS On Aiming Point	DAMAGE (None, slight, serious, destroyed or sunk)
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<sup>(</sup>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

Disposition 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

At 1337 (I) 14 April 1945 the USS SAN JACINES started immediate eight Hellente of Trade on my operaconcy Rader Fichet Line Combat Mr atrol. The Tesk Group was under heavy attack, black milts of smoke from beary AA fire elastered the sky, and every radar screen in the Force was detted with immuniter relies.

is use to be expected, a cortain element of confusion pervaded the renderrous of the Car Stations. The Street six Wellcote off the deck, being it. Staley, or. Telley, it is)'s Sealverton, wife, Deig and Salabarna, offmated a running remissions on the way to the northeastern Rador Introl Line, where the TF were instructed on the radio to recort, but this semblance of organization was soom orased by several unidentified "elly-hous and intempe anti-elyent from the Almosting of the Paint Introl Line. Steller, with Enliny. Moolverton, Swiningree and Cuffe made a nort turn after a Cocar when they were about fifteen miles from the Pader Fetrel Line. while Dote, who appoins a comparate Doney 15 miles distant, 2 of ock level, continued straight about. This begay (later recognized by Mr as a John) had just bloom the sterm off the DJS II hat with a bomb. the the Jep slame was elimbing to commence a second run on the Alembind No. Doin mored on fall throttle and elimbed, as the leke was still maining altitude weepsmatory to turning for the escend bombing run. In the Lebe termed Defines in a defloction whet from extreme rance from below, a mently nimited. As the line monde over. Date made a divise term to out, staying below and behind the Jap and giving the latter numerous dort burats. These burats were realisteened by fire from what was apparently a 20 11 tail. dum in the Lobe which was commind to intermittently and instructively. Doing eleged residing on the selecte in the dire, and the "leats leat burnet of machine man fire from a creation toly 250 feet exploited the Colon when the burnts struck home in the under part of the functions atween the camete and through the camete of the Come the remands of which fell simisonly down to the sec. of heading about 500 yards from the 100 SECHET. Dots then joined up with Stalley's Atvictor, which had destroyed the near they had proven

This is a least mentioned one-counter took times about the come time that Dolg use bleeting the nime. In minutes tolly-best the Spear Il oblock down, distant about two miles, on an occopito course. The five Bellevie turned to cort and streamed found after the Jap. Swindnesses in the wan. Swindnesses made the first rese at the Geome. which was memoryering visloutly and ravidly locing altitude. The Order was understand by "disturbed a burnt, but colverton and "taley who had out that throttin) were now on the Oscar's tell, colverton to starboard and Staley to cort. The Jap's altitude was about 300 foot when Toolwerton communiced a serios of chart burets from below and autorn, setting bits. Blay also set in a squire, but as the Jan turned redically to starboard this Ballout siles tess throws out of continue "colverton a limit the "coup de grace" in a short shot from the starboard courter of the Jep. Hits were seem in the coekpit section, and the Oscar west in the meter from a proximately 50 feet altitude, smoking but yet aflere.

## XXX TACTICAL AND PRATICIPAL DATA:

The last two of the eight RAPCAP clames, piloted by Id (18) Wollard and Dynator, were late in joining the other six RAFCAP planes, and so the two Helleats proceeded out to the "dar stro! line independently, in time to see Doige' destruction of the Zeise already described. About ten minutes after this Take was exploded, and while Wollard and Dynater were at 8500 foot altitude, 15 miles northeast of the damaged USS SIGSHEE, they mew a Val come in from the northwest in a bombing run on the destroyer, scoring a meer miss. The Val rulled out on the deck to starboard, continuing a tight right hand turn until he was headed north. The heavy anti-aircraft fire was intense, but Wollard pushed over and flew through the bursts to eatch the Jap which was about 10 miles Matant. The Matance was closed regidly, and Mollard made a storm rum on the Val, missing as the Jap jinked violently. Mollard milled out to port, 41d a 360° term, as the Val made a turn to stayboard and them a turn to port again. Before Mellerd could get the 'al boresighted, two fighters from another shir made a rum on the Val. The first missed and the second shot the starboard wheel off. This did not seem to immety the airworthiness of the Jee clame, for it continued to fink and turn violently, until Wollard ripped the enemy plane in a 30° defication shot from 5 to fact above and on the part marter. Times shot out of the right of to of the angine on this burst and the Vol slid off on the loft wing and selashed from about 100 feet.

orbitted without further incident over the destroyer patrol line until remeaking at 1630 (1).

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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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