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# AIRCRAFT ACTION REPORT

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(Reclassify when filled out)

## I. GENERAL

(a) Unit Reporting VNF-116. (b) Based on or at ZAMBOANGA, MINDANAO. (c) Report No. 16.  
 (d) Take off: Date 12 April 1945. Time (LZT) 1300. (Zone); Lat. 6° 55' N. Long 122° 01' E.  
 (e) Mission Cover SBD's striking BUAYAN MINDANAO. (f) Time of Return 1610. (Zone)

## II. OWN AIRCRAFT OFFICIALLY COVERED BY THIS REPORT.

TYPE (a)	SQUADRON (b)	NUMBER			BOMBS AND TORPEDOES CARRIED (PER PLANE) (f)	FUZE, SETTING (g)
		TAKING OFF (c)	ENGAGING ENEMY A/C (d)	ATTACKING TARGET (e)		
<b>Corsair</b>	<b>VNF-116</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>None.</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>NONE</b>	

## III. OTHER U. S. OR ALLIED AIRCRAFT EMPLOYED IN THIS OPERATION.

TYPE	SQUADRON	NUMBER	BASE	TYPE	SQUADRON	NUMBER	BASE
<b>SBD's</b>	<b>243</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>ZAMBOANGA, MINDANAO</b>				

## IV. ENEMY AIRCRAFT OBSERVED OR ENGAGED (By Own Aircraft Listed in II Only).

(a) TYPE	(b) NO. OBSERVED	(c) NO. ENGAGING OWN A/C	(d) TIME ENCOUNTERED	(e) LOCATION OF ENCOUNTER	(f) BOMBS, TORPEDOES CARRIED; GUNS OBSERVED	(g) CAMOUFLAGE AND MARKING
			(ZONE)			
			(ZONE)	<b>NO AIRBORNE ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERED.</b>		
			(ZONE)			

(h) Apparent Enemy Mission(s) NO AIRBORNE ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERED.  
 Did Any Part of  
 (i) Encounter(s) Occur in Clouds? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, Describe Clouds \_\_\_\_\_  
(YES OR NO) (BASE IN FEET, TYPE AND TENTHS OF COVER)  
 Time of Day and Brilliance  
 (j) 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).

(a) TYPE ENEMY A/C	(b) DESTROYED OR DAMAGED BY:				(c) WHERE HIT, ANGLE	(d) DAMAGE CLAIMED
	TYPE A/C	SQUADRON	PILOT OR GUNNER	GUNS USED		
					<b>NO AIRBORNE ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERED.</b>	



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(OMIT THIS SHEET IF NO ATTACK WAS MADE)

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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) **BUAYAN AIRDRONE, MINDANAO.** (b) Time Over Target(s) **1410-1420.** (Zone)
- (c) Clouds Over Target **None.** (BASE IN FEET, TYPE AND TENTHS OF COVER)
- (d) Visibility of Target **Partially obscured by clouds.** (e) Visibility **10.** (MILES)  
(CLEAR, HAZY, PARTIALLY OBSCURED BY CLOUDS, ETC.)
- (f) Bombing Tactics: Type **None.** Bomb Sight Used \_\_\_\_\_ (LEVEL, GLIDE OR DIVE) (TYPE)
- Bombs Dropped per Run \_\_\_\_\_ (NUMBER) Spacing \_\_\_\_\_ (FEET) Altitude of Bomb Release \_\_\_\_\_ (FEET)
- (g) Number of Enemy Aircraft Hit on Ground: Destroyed **Five.** 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, slight, serious, destroyed or sunk)
1 <b>Five grounded enemy planes at BUAYAN AIRDRONE.</b>		<b>2 Planes, VHF-115.</b>	<b>No Bombs, 3200 rnds. ammo.</b>	<b>Strafing.</b>	<b>Destroyed.</b>
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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.)

**NO ENEMY SHIPPING ENCOUNTERED.**

(p) Were Photographs Taken? **NO.** Photographs of Damage, When Taken, Should Be Attached By Staple.

