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VI. LOS	S OR DAM	AGE, COMBAT OR OPERATION	AL, OF OWN AIRCRAFT (of the	nose listed in II only).
(a) TYPE OWN A/C	(b) SQUADRON	CAUSE: TYPE ENEMY A/C, TYPE GUN, OR OPERATIONAL CAUSE	WHERE HIT, ANGLE (List armor, self-sealing tanks, equipment hit)	(e) EXTENT OF LOSS OR DAMAGE, (Give Bureau serial number of planes destroyed)
10820-4E	VB-12	Operational	VHF inoperative	Unit replaced.
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VII. PERSONNEL CASUALTIES (in aircraft listed in II only; identify with planes listed in VI by Nos. at left). (b) (c) (a) (d) (e) SQUADRON NAME, RANK OR RATING CAUSE CONDITION OR STATUS None

VIII. RANGE, FUEL, AND AMMUNITION DATA FOR PLANES RETURNING

TYPE A/C	(b)	(c) MILES	AV. HOURS	(e) AV. FUEL	(f) AV FIJEI	(g)	TOTAL AMM	UNITION EXPEN	IDED	(h)
A/C	MILES	RETURN	IN AIR	LOADED	AV. FUEL CONSUMED	.30	.50	20MM	MM	NO. OF PLANES RETURNING
3B2C-4E	125	110	3.25	320	260			295		R

IX. ENEMY ANTI-AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERED (Check one block on each line).

CALIBER	NONE	MEAGER	MODERATE	INTENSE
HEAVY — Time-fused shells, 75mm and over	X			
MEDIUM — Impact-fused shells, 20mm-50mm	**			
LIGHT — Machine gun bullets, 6.5mm-13.2mm	400			

X. COMPARATIVE PERFORMANCE, OWN AND ENEMY AIRCRAFT (use check list at left).

SPEED, CLIMB, at various altitudes

No opportunity for comparison.

TURNS DIVES CEILINGS RANGE PROTECTION ARMAMENT

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(OMIT THIS SHEET IF NO ATTACK WAS MADE)



) Target(s) and Location	(FOR SHIE	S INCLUDE ALL IN AREA	UNDER ATTACK) (b) Time	Over ranger(s)	(Zone
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) Visibility of Target_	Clo			e) Visibility	(MILES)
) Bombing Tactics: Typ	e Glido	(LEVEL, GLIDE OR DIVE)	Bomb Sigh	t Used	(TYPE)
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(h) AIMING POINT	DIMENSIONS OR TONNAGE	(i) NO. A/C ATTACKING (k) SQUADRON	EXPENDED, EACH AIMING POIL	NT Aiming Point	(n) DAMAGE (None, slight, serious, destroyed or sunk
(h) AIMING POINT	DIMENSIONS OR	(j) NO. A/C ATTACKING	BOMBS AND AMMUNITION	NO. HITS On Aiming Point	DAMAGE (None, slight, serious, destroyed or sunk
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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).

The VB unit was directed to attack an area on the side of a ridge where gun positions were believed to be located. All bombs and rockets hit in the assigned area.



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XII. TACTICAL AND OPERATIONAL DATA. (Narrative and comment. Describe action fully and comment freely, agreement with enemy) 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
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Defensive Tactics, Own
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Flexible Gunnery, Own
Escort Tactics
Fighter Direction

ATTACK

OWN TACTICS

Use of Radar

Night Fighting

Recognition, Aircraft

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

an eight pleas unit of the VB squadron, in company with units of the VF and VT squadrons, took off at 0656 (local time) and proceeded to 0 Kinawa Shima. Upon arrival at approach point #2, they were directed to orbit in the vicinity of the town of Yonabaru and await further instructions. Finally, the VD unit was ordered to attack an area on the side of a ridge just west of the town of Dakeshi. Before the attack was initiated. Commander Support Air advised the unit to digregard the white phosphorous shells used by the ground troops to mark the target, since the enery was also using white phosphorous shells in an effort to confuse the pilots. A glide bombing attack was then made from the northeast to the southwest at an altitude of 3500 feet with rockets being fired at 1,500 feet and bombs dropped at 1,000 bombs were observed to fall in the assigned target feet. Upon completion of the attack, rendezvous was effected to the west of the island, after which the group returned to bass.

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

Use additional sheets if necessary).

All material proved satisfactory.

ARMAMENT

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

COMMUNICATIONS

Radio, Radar Homing Devices Visual Signals Codes, Ciphers

RECOGNITION

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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