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	VN AIRCRA	AFT OFFICI	ALLY COVE	RED BY T	HIS REPO	RT.			
TYPE (a)	SQUADRON (b)	TAKING OFF (c)	ENGAGING ENEMY A/C	ATTACKING TARGET (e)		BOMBS AND TO CARRIED (PER (f)			SETTING g)
TBM-3	VC-91	2	0	2	8 - 5' 10 - 10	H.E. Roc	kets)	Tail - No	Delay
TDM-S	VC-91	2	0	2	4 - 50	0/ G.P. B	ombs	Nose Inst	Tall .
FM-2	VC-91	2	0	2		H.B. Rock F.S. Rock		Tail - No	The I may
FM_2	VC-91	OP ALLIED	ALDCDAET	S S	None.				The state of
TYPE	SQUADRON	NUMBER	AIRCRAFT	BASE	D IN IHIS		DRON NUMBER	ВА	SE
TBM-3	VC-13	4	USS ANZIO	*	*.				
F16-2	VC-90	5	USS STEAD	UR RAY	(CVEST)				
IV. EN	JEMY AIRC	CRAFT OBSE	RVFD OR FN	JGAGED (By Own Ai	reraft Listed	in II Only).		
(a) TYPE	(b) NO. OBSERVED		(d)		(e) ATION OF OUNTER		(f) TORPEDOES CARRIED; UNS OBSERVED	CAMO	(g) Duflage and Marking
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Encount	ter(s) Occu		(YES OR NO)	If so, Desc	ribe Clouds	(B	ASE IN FEET, TYPE A	ND TENTHS OF CO	VER)
	Day and Br or Moon	illiance					(k) Visib	oility	
V. ENI	EMY AIRCI	RAFT DESTR	OYED OR D				ft Listed in 11 Or	(1	MILES)
(a) TYPE	(b) DESTRO	YED OR DAMAG				Own Ancia		(c)	(d)
NEMY A/C	TYPE A/C	SQUADRON	PILOT	OR GUNNER		GUNS USED	WHERE	HIT, ANGLE	DAMAGE
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(a) YPE OWN A/C	SQUADRON	CAUSE: TYPE ENEMY A/C, TYPE GUN, OR OPERATIONAL CAUSE	WHERE HIT, ANGLE (List armor, self-sealing tanks, equipment hit)	(Give Bureau serial number of planes destroyed
None				
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			d in II only identify with planes	listed in VI by Nos. at left).
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VII. P	ERSONNEL	CASUALTIES (in aircraft lister	(d)	(e)
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(1)		(c)	(d) CAUSE	CONDITION OR STATUS
(1)		(c)	(d) CAUSE	CONDITION OR STATUS
VII. P (b) SQUADRO		(c)	(d) CAUSE	CONDITION OR STATUS

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60	3 Hr.	880	185	280	1080		`	*
RETURN								
MILES	AV. HOURS	AV. FUEL LOADED	CONSUMED	.30	.50	20MM	MM	RETURNING
(0)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(9) TOTAL AMM	JNITION EXPEN		NO OF PLANES
5	(c)	MILES AV. HOURS	MILES AV. HOURS AV. FUEL IN AIR LOADED	MILES AV. HOURS AV. FUEL CONSUMED RETURN IN AIR LOADED CONSUMED	MILES AV. HOURS AV. FUEL CONSUMED 30	MILES AV. HOURS AV. FUEL CONSUMED 30 50	MILES AV. HOURS AV. FUEL CONSUMED 30 50 20MM	RETURN IN AIR LOADED CONSUMED 30

IX. ENEMY ANTI-AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERED (Che	CK OHE DIOCK ON	LACED	MODERATE	INTENSE
CALIBER	NONE	MEAGER	MODERVITE	
AVY — Time-fused shells, 75mm and over		X		
EDIUM — Impact-fused shells, 20mm-50mm	X			
GHT — Machine gun bullets, 6.5mm-13.2mm				1.4

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

SPEED, CLIA	ΛB,
at various	altitudes
TURNIS	

None.

DIVES
CEILINGS
RANGE
PROTECTION

ARMAMENT

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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					ver Target(s	1580/1	1615-I (Zon
c) Clouds Over Target	umulus - :	1000 - 10/10 (BASE IN FEE	T, TYPE AND TENTHS OF	F COVER)			
d) Visibility of Target					Visibility	6	IILES)
f) Bombing Tactics: Type		(LEVEL, GLIDE OR DIVE	R	omb Sight U	sed		
Bombs Dropped per Run_	Varving	Spacing	VOLVING (FEET)	Altitude	of Bomb Rel	100 ease <u>500</u>)#/15001)"/2250•
g) Number of Enemy Aircra	ft Hit on Gro	und: Destroyed	Probably	Destroyed.	***	_ Damag	ged
(h) AIMING POINT	(i) IMENSIONS OR TONNAGE	(j) NO. A/C ATTACKING (k) SQUADRON	BOMBS AND AM EXPENDED, EACH A	MUNITION IMING POINT	(m) NO. HITS On Aiming Point	DAMAG	(n) SE (None, slight, destroyed or sunk
Mortar Implacement,		¥0-91	8 - 500 Box	nbo	Three		
Mortar Emplacement,		70-91	6 - 100 Box	ada			troyed
			1080 - Rds.	.50 cal.	Indeterm	ned	Serious
Gum Emplacements. T.A. 7976 "N", "S"		7C-91	12 - Rockets 3700 - Rds.		Two		Serious

(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 mortar emplacement was covered over by trees so it could not be clearly seen, but several hits were registered on the emplacement, and after two runs, the ground observer directed that they withdraw to another target so apparently the emplacement was destroyed.

The same situation existed as to the emplacement in target #2 and some rockets were scored in the area; the area was likewise strafed. Serious damage was thought to have been inflicted.

The gum emplacements in target area 7976 "N" & "S" were strafed by the fighters and reckets hits were scored also. Following the fighters were bombers of another squadron, who dropped their bombs accurately in the area. The combination of the two was sufficient to knock out the gum emplacements.

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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

Two flights were launched for direct support work over to Okinewa Shima, one of four TBM's at 1410-I and one of Maffive FM's at 1550-I.

The flight leader of the first group, the TBM's relates the strike as follows:

"We took off at about 1400-I and rendezvoused at 1500 feet with five FM's from the STRAMER BAY, one of whom was air The M's were loaded with full ammunition and six rockets. Two of our VT's were loaded with lox100# bombs and eight rockets and two with 4x800# bombs. We rendezvoused in the target area at a point mest of Pt. Bolo. Our targets were a group of mortar emplacements along the north side of a wooded hill. We could see no enemy movement, but the positions were among what looked like tombs reinforced with rocks. Ceiling was about 8000 feet which hampered our bombing somewhat and our angle of dive was shallower than usual. he formed a traffic circle around the target and made repeated runs. Our first bombing was mostly over, but we got on the target at the last. The VF were strafing and using rockets throughout the attack. All of our rockets and strafing were in the area and we were given a "Well Done" by the Air Coordinator, on the first target, and we moved to another similar target 200 yards away. Fourteen rockets and ammunition were expended at the second target by us."

The second group after rendezvousing with four TBM's from U.S.S. ANZIO (CVE57) proceeded to the same general target area, and made their attack shortly after the first group had departed. They were directed to gun emplacements about 200 or 300 yards away from those attacked by the first group.

ed by the ANZIO TEM's on each run. The area was thoroughly covered, and the emplacements were either seriously damaged or knocked out entirely by combination of the strafing and the bombing. The fighters noted over at a 2000 - foot altitude, just under the clouds, and strafing was conducted down to 500 feet. The angle was about 40°, and the slant range of the rockets average 1500 yards.

In this case as in the first, the ground observer congratulated the group on a well coordinated attack and gave them a "Well Done".

The following pilots participated in the strikes:

First Group: Lt. R. F. Richards, Flight Leader Lt.(jg) J. W. Burch Ens. H. L. Peebles Ens. K. W. Neubauer

Second Group: Lt. W. F. Jordan, Air Coordinator
Lt. W. E. Ryan Lt. (jg) C.A. Custer
Lt. (jg) J.T. Sippel Lt. (jg) J.C. Habbersett

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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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