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TYPE (a)	SQUADRON (b)	TAKING OFF (c)	NUMBER	ATTACKING TARGET (e)	BOMBS AND TORPEDOES CARRIED (PER PLANE) (f)			FUZE, SETTING (g)		
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ENEMY A/C	TYPE A/C	SQUADRON	PILC	OT OR GUNNER	GUNS	USED				
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SPEED, CLIMB, at various altitudes

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DIVES
CEILINGS
RANGE
PROTECTION
ARMAMENT

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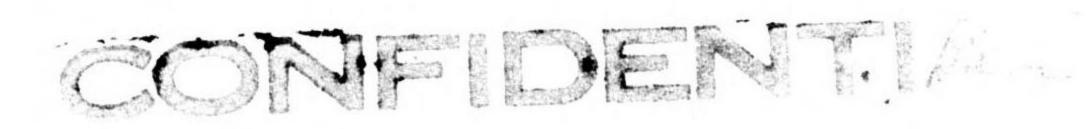
AIRCRAFT ACTION REPORT

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		COMIT THIS SHEET IF N	O ATTACK WAS MADE)		REPORT No.
YI ATTACK ON FNI	FMY SHIPS OR	GROUND OBJECTI	VES (By Own Aircraft Lis	ted in 11 Uniy)	
a) Target(s) and Location	(S) (FOR SHUR	S INCLUDE ALT IN AREA	(b) Time	Over Target(s)	(Zone)
c) Clouds Over Target	3/10,	(BASE IN FEET,	TYPE AND TENTHS OF COVER)		
d) Visibility of Target	CET CHEST	ZY, PARTIALLY OBSCURED	BY CLOUDS, ETC.)	e) Visibility	(MILES)
(f) Bombing Tactics: Type	Lovel lemi	(LEVEL, GLIDE OR DIVE)		t Used	(TYPE)
Bombs Dropped per Rur	The state of the state of	Spacing	(FEET) Altitu	ude of Bomb Rel	ease
(g) Number of Enemy Airc	craft Hit on Gro	ound: Destroyed	Probably Destroy	yed	_ Damaged
(h) AIMING POINT	(i) DIMENSIONS OR TONNAGE	(j) NO. A/C ATTACKING (k) SQUADRON	EXPENDED, EACH AIMING POI	NO. HITS On Aiming Point	
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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 specific decade was observed but all bombs landed in the target area, were well dispersed and numerous large fires resulted.



(p) Were Photographs Taken? Photographs of Damage, WhenTaken, Should Be Attached By Staple.

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following applicable items in check list at left. Use additional sheets if necessary.)

route were at 2150 rms's and 30 inches of mercury.

REPORT No. XII. TACTICAL AND OPERATIONAL DATA. (Narrative and comment. Describe action fully and comment freely,

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

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

DEFENSE, ENEMY

Use of Jamming

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

The ola Corealra of this squadron took off from base at 1030 R immediately following 12 Helldivers of VMM-231 and after rendeavous at about 3000 feet immediately east of the field flow directly to the target laland behind the Helldivers in a regular fighter formation. Ingine settings on-

Upon reaching the target island the planes sireled in column to the left over the lagoon of Mille Atoll and waited until the Vice-231 alreraft had made their rune over the target and broke off in column at about four second intervals for the runs in a general northeast to southwest direction. The large Menals bombs and Incendiary clusters were released in salvo while the planes were flying straight and level at about 250 knote at an altitude of 75 feet. All bombs and clusters landed well in the target area cauting numerous large fires.

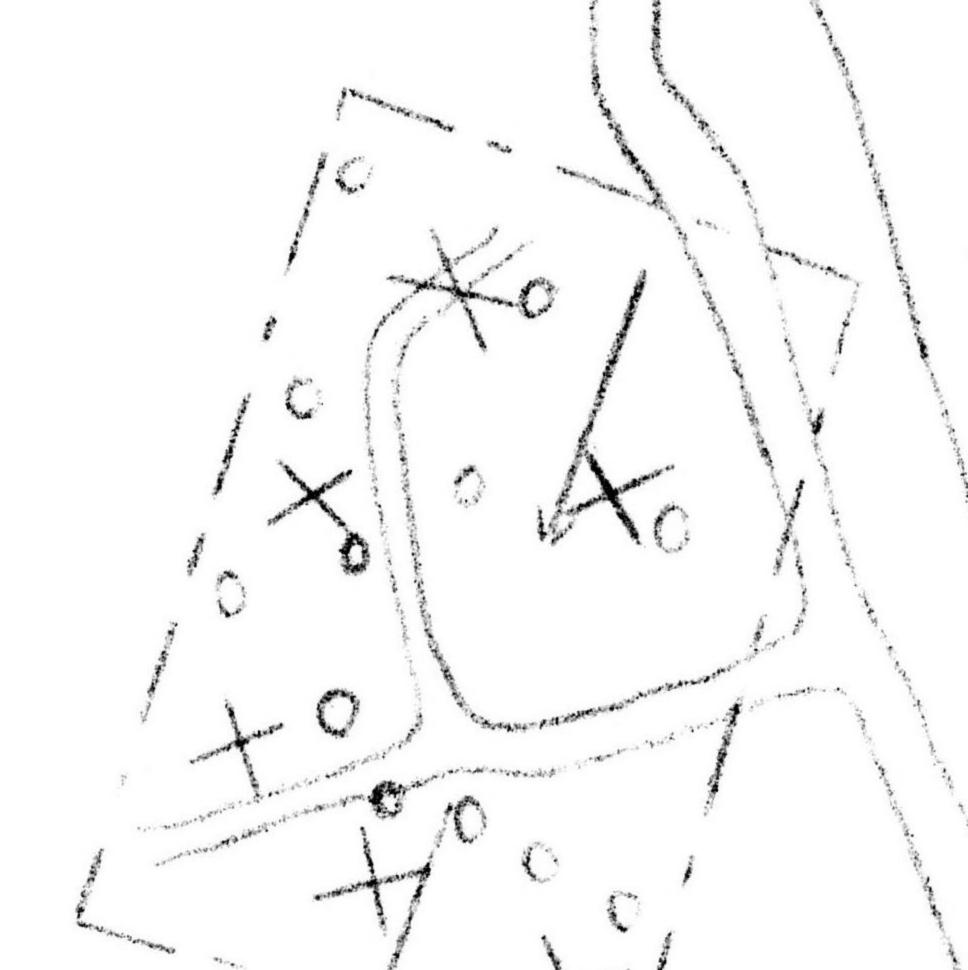
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lefe return was made at bese at 1100 M.

Two of the planes, those flows by it. Compeded and Capt. Mischie, strafed approximately 800 rounds of 50 delibre on shelr bombing runs.

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Mille Island, Mille Atoll

Lagoon

Target Area

X : Napalm Bombs

Clusters

= Direction of Runs

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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 functioned eaticfactorily.

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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