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# AIRCRAFT ACTION REPORT

(b) Based on or at\_

USS SANGAMON



(c) Report No.

I. GENERAL

(a) Unit Reporting

VF-33

RESTRICTED (Reclassify when fitted out)
VF.

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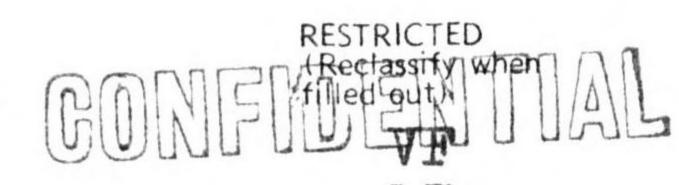
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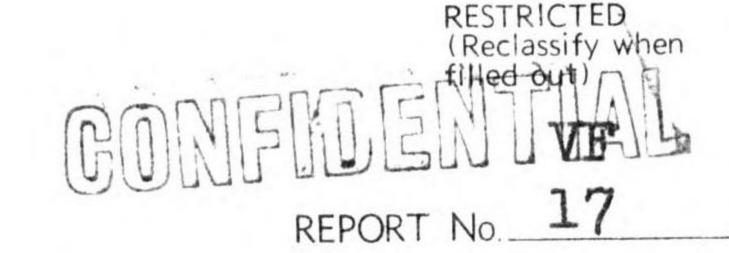


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XI. ATTACK ON ENEMY SHIPS OR GROUND OBJECTIVES (By Own Aircraft Listed in II Only).

(a)	Target(s) and Location(s) Airfield ISHIGAKI JIMA (b) Time Over Target(s) 1300 (I) (Zone)
(c)	Clouds Over Target Cumulo Stratus Ceiling 500 ft .9 cover with low ceiling 1500 ft
( <b>b</b> )	Visibility of Target Partially obscured by clouds (CLEAR, HAZY, PARTIALLY OBSCURED BY CLOUDS, ETC.)  (CLEAR, HAZY, PARTIALLY OBSCURED BY CLOUDS, ETC.)  (B) Visibility 15  (MILES)
<b>(f)</b>	Rocket &  Bombing Tactics: Type dive  Bomb Sight Used MK 8 Illuminated
	Rockets VF  Bombs Dropped per Run  VF - 1  (NUMBER)  Spacing  O  (FEET)  Slant range VF-1500 yds  Altitude of Bomb Release 4 1500;4 3000
	Number of Enemy Aircraft Hit on Ground: Destroyed None Probably Destroyed None Damaged 2

(h) AIMING POINT	DIMENSIONS OR TONNAGE	(j) NO. A/C ATTACKING (k) SQUADRON	BOMBS AND AMMUNITION EXPENDED, EACH AIMING POINT	(m) NO. HITS On Aiming Point	(n) DAMAGE (None, slight, serious, destroyed or sunk)
ISHIGAKI	7000 ft x 7000 ft	8 F6F-5E VF-33	7 500 G.P strafed 18 5" HWAR	7	Serious
Airfield area 2 MIYARA	7000 x	8 F6F-5E VF-33	strafed	1.	Slight
Air field area 3 Large stone	5000 ft.	1 F6F-5E	1 500 G. P.	1	Slight
building 4	Unknown	VF-33			
5					
6					
7					
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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).

1. Direct bomb hits - 4 on runways, 1 on administration building at N. W. corner of field, and 2 on revetment area - runways well potted couldn't see if any planes damaged in revetment area. Put 18 5" rockets in observed machine gun positions south of runway between runway and coast - at least 4 positions destroyed and others damaged. Also strafed same area - combination rocket and strafing attack.

2. Gun position and revetment area East of MIYARA runway between runway and coast-2 rocket hits on machine gun position. Aircraft in revetments damaged

by strafing 2 aircraft noticed damaged by our strafing.

3. Direct hit on stone building with large smoke stack in town of SHIKA -

no doubt damaged, but extent unobserved.

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

CTB-52.1.3 asked for negatives before prints made.

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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

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

This flight of eight VF and four VT attacked the airfields of ISHIGAKA JIMA and also furnished protection by way of diversionary attack on AA for one of the VF which was a photographic plane.

The protection given and the photographic mission was successful except for cloud cover interfering with pictures—photos runs were made on the two airfields, but were sent to CTU 52.1.3. on demand before prints had been made.

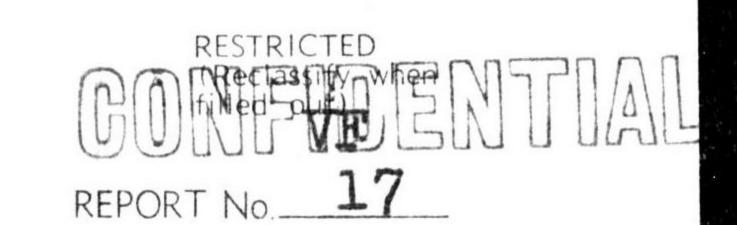
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circuit for the R. P. was not properly wired.





One F6F-5E brought back four rockets because the electrical



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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