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Report # 1

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AIRCRAFT ACTION REPORT

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(Short Form for routine actions only)

(Reclassify when filled)

I. GENERAL

(a) Unit Reporting VMF-115 (b) Ship or base Morot Field, Zamboanga (c) Report No. 1  
 (d) Take off: Date 1 August 1945 Time (LZT) 0845 (Zone) (e) Time of Return 1135 (Z)  
 (f) Target Strike UPIAN (g) Round-Trip Distance Flown 400 (M)

II. OWN AIRCRAFT OFFICIALLY COVERED BY THIS REPORT

(a) TYPE	(b) SQUAD. RON	(c) TAKING OFF	(d) NUMBER ENGAGING ENEMY A/C	(e) ATTACKING TARGET	(f) BOMBS, ROCKETS, CLUSTERS, TORPEDOES, NAPALM & DROP FUEL TANKS CARRIED PER PLANE (Specify type & size exactly)	(g) FUZE DELAYS, TORPEDO DELAY SETTING (Give mk. of cluster & bomb fuzes, setting used if more than one is possible)
F4U's	115	16	None	16	2 x 500 lb. bombs.	Inst.

III. ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENGAGED

(a) TYPE	(b) NUMBER ENGAGED	(c) TIME/ZONE	(d) LOCATION
None			

IV. ENEMY PLANES DAMAGED IN AIR (Give details in narrative)

(a) TYPE ENEMY A/C	(b) DESTROYED OR DAMAGED BY	(c) DAMAGED CLAIMED
TYPE A/C	SQUADRON; PILOT OR GUNNER	

V. LOSS OR DAMAGE, COMBAT OR OPERATIONAL, OF OWN AIRCRAFT

(a) TYPE OWN A/C	(b) SQUADRON	(c) CAUSE: Type ENEMY A/C, AA, GUN OR OPERATIONAL CAUSE	(d) WHERE HIT & ANGLE (List armor, self-sealing tanks, equipment hit)	(e) EXTENT OF LOSS OR DAMAGE (Give Bureau No. of plane destroyed)
1	None			
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VI. PERSONNEL CASUALTIES (Identify with planes listed in V by nos. at left)

(a) No. SQUADRON	(b) NAME, RANK, OR RATING	(c) CAUSE	(d) CONDITION OR STATUS
None.			

VII. ATTACK ON TARGET

(a) Location UPIAN (b) Time over target 1010-1035  
 (c) Weather, clouds, visibility Cloud layer from 1500-5000 feet over Base and 20 miles East.  
 (d) Bombing tactics Glide Bombing (Level, Glide, Dive, by type of plane) (e) Bomb Sight used Ring Sight (Type for each type of plane)

(f) AA present: Yes. No.

(g) AIMING POINT	(h) DIMENSIONS OR TONNAGE	(i) No. A/C Attacking (j) Squadron	(k) BOMBS, ROCKETS, AMMUNITION EXPENDED, EACH AIMING POINT (Give fuzing used if selectively armed)	(l) NO. HITSON AIMING POINT	(m) Altitude of Release (Ft.)	(n) Dive Angle	(o) Spacing of Bombs (Ft.)	(p) Indicated Air Speed (Kts)	(q) Range of Release
1 UPIAN	Ridges	16 115	31-500 lb. bombs 4800	28	1000	35°	260		
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Give results and narrative on separate sheet, follow outline.

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RESULTS OF ATTACK, NARRATIVE, AND COMMENT

PILOTS:

Hellerude	Chambers	Watts	Benson
F. Foster	Byrd	Eastman	Butts
Bradley	Oleson	McNeill	Kramer
Breckenridge	Black	Lovette	Chellson

APPROACH:

North to South, target was located by the Air Coordinator orbiting the area.

STRAFING:

Pilots strafed on the run only, 4800 rnds. of .50 cal. ammo.

BO BING:

Of 31 bombs, 28 were on the target. One was short, another long--each by 1000 yards--and one hung and was jettisoned over water. The target was two ridges between valleys about 5 miles west of the Tamagan cub strip. Numerous buildings in the clearings were blasted, and the area was pretty well cleaned out. Probably a dozen buildings were demolished.

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