

AIRCRAFT ACTION REPORT

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(OMIT THIS SHEET IF NO ATTACK WAS MADE)

REPORT No. _____

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

(a) Target(s) and Location(s) Gun positions, Iwo Jima (b) Time Over Target(s) 1050-1150K (Zone)
(FOR SHIPS INCLUDE ALL IN AREA UNDER ATTACK)

(c) Clouds Over Target Large single cumulus cloud at 3500' covered entire area.
(BASE IN FEET, TYPE AND TENTHS OF COVER)

(d) Visibility of Target Good except for rugged terrain (e) Visibility 8
(CLEAR, HAZY, PARTIALLY OBSCURED BY CLOUDS, ETC.) (MILES)

(f) Bombing Tactics: Type Glide Bomb Sight Used Mk 8
(LEVEL, GLIDE OR DIVE) (TYPE)

Bombs Dropped per Run One Spacing _____ Altitude of Bomb Release 2300
(NUMBER) (FEET) (FEET)

(g) Number of Enemy Aircraft Hit on Ground: Destroyed _____ Probably Destroyed _____ Damaged _____

(h) AIMING POINT	(i) DIMENSIONS OR TONNAGE	(j) NO A/C ATTACKING	(l) BOMBS AND AMMUNITION EXPENDED, EACH AIMING POINT	(m) NO HITS On Aiming Point	(n) DAMAGE (None, slight, serious, destroyed or sunk)
		(k) SQUADRON			
1 <u>Anno. dump</u>	<u>15' x 15'</u>	<u>3 TM; 4 FM-2</u>	<u>6-500# G.P. bombs</u>	<u>2 bombs</u>	<u>Ammunition dump</u>
2 <u>Gun positions</u>					
3			<u>5200 rds. .50 cal.</u>		<u>hits and near miss</u>
4			<u>600 rds. 30 cal.</u>		<u>on gun positions</u>
5					<u>Number destroyed</u>
6					<u>or damaged unknown.</u>
7					
8					

(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).

Numerous gun positions, at least 12 to 16, were seen. They were about 15 feet square with protected sloping sides, open top, in target area 202 H in eastern Iwo Jima. These were located on top of a prominent cliff which provided a commanding location of friendly lines. Practically all of the rockets hit on the top or sides of the cliff, 14 were seen to hit among the gun positions. Two of them struck a small ammunition supply dump, setting off a blast and pillar of white smoke 200 to 300 feet high. Two bombs were seen to explode on the gun positions. In addition to the dump it would appear that many of the gun positions were knocked out.

(p) Were Photographs Taken? NO Photographs of Damage, When Taken, Should Be Attached By Staple.

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

One III-5 never reached the target area, returning to base shortly after take-off when R.P.M. fell off. The prop control instrument, the vernier, had come out completely.

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