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VI. LO	SS OR DA		OMBAT OR					1		
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a) (b)			(c)			(d)			(e)	
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VIII	PANCE	FIIFI AN	D AMMUNI	TION DATA	FOR PLA	NES RET	TURNING			
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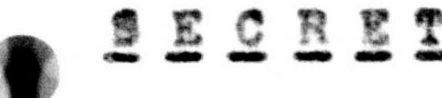
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XI. ATTACK ON EN	NEMY SHIPS OF	GROUND OBJECT	IVES (By Own Aircraft Listed	in II Only)	•	
(a) Target(s) and Locatio	n(s) (FOR SHIE	S INCLUDE ALL IN AREA	Island, (b) Time Ove	er Target(s)	0630-0730 B	ne)
(c) Clouds Over Target	3000-600	O Cumulus 5/	TYPE AND TENTHS OF COVER)			
(d) Visibility of Target	Clear HA	ZY. PARTIALLY OBSCURED	BY CLOUDS. ETC.)	/isibility	10 (MILES)	
(f) Bombing Tactics: Typ	e Level ar	(LEVEL. GLIDE OR DIVE)	Bomb Sight Us	sed None	(TYPE)	- 60
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(h) AIMING POINT	DIMENSIONS OR TONNAGE	(j) NO A/C ATTACKING (k) SQUADRON	BOMBS AND AMMUNITION EXPENDED EACH AIMING POINT	(m) NO HITS On Alming Point	DAMAGE (None slith serious destroyed or sun	. 1
Alu Island,		7 V V V - 111	15	15	one large	fire.
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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)

Poliage prevented observation of what was burning.

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

Photographs and negatives delivered to Commander, Majuro Air Group for forwarding.

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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
"", Enemy

Flexible Gunnery, Own Escort Tactics Fighter Direction Use of Radar Night Fighting Recognition, Aircraft

.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

on 19 June for Alu Island, Mille Atoll. This was a part of a largeroo eration covering an all day harrassment of Alu. Jap POW's had stated that there were many Japs living on the island and the mission was to bomb the northern section of the bivouac area. The plan for the day included aircraft over Alu all day long, with one h ur of freedom from bombing in every four in order that those desiring to could surrender towar LCI on station in the vicinity.

The Corsairs dropped their bombs in the target area. One large fire was started. The northern portion of Alu is covered with dense veget tion and it was not possible to observe what was burning. The Napalms were dropped in the initial run from fifty feet and the fragmentation clusters in salvo on the second run from twenty five hundred feet. The island was then strafed. All runs were from north to south.

The Corsairs were fired upon by rifes and machine guns from Alu.

An 3B2C photo-observer plane covered this portion of the strike.

Pilots participating were as follows:

Major Thomas A. Todd Lt. T. L. Bigger Lt. W. Waller Lt. A. R. Perkins Lt. C. D. Dawkins

Weather and flight data are given below.

	Weather	Clouds	Cover		
An Target Return	Average Good Average	\$000 \$000 \$000	5/10 3/10 5/10		
	Altitude	IAS	MFD-Press.	APM	
To Target Return	5000 5000	170	30 in.	2000	

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All material functioned satisfactorily.

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XIII. MATERIAL DATA. (Comment freely on performance or suitability, following check list at left. Use additional sheets if necessary). ARMAMENT

Bombs, Torpedoes

Turrets

Ammunition Bomb Sights Bomb Releases

Guns, Gunsights

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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