# AIRCRAFT ACTION REPORT



# I. GENERAL

) Date of /	Action_10	April 1	(e) T	ake off: Ti	me	_(GCT); La	at	Long	
) Mission_	Antiles	abmarina	Sonrch				(g) Time of	Return	(GCT
			LY COVERED	BY THIS	REPORT.				
(a) TYPE	(b) SQUADRON	NO OF	(d)			(f) AND TORPEDOES D (PER PLANE)	S	(g) FUZE, SETT	ING
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IV. ENE	MY AIRCE	AFT ENCO	UNTERED (B	y Own Airc	raft Listed in I	Only).			
(a) TYPE	(b) NO. OBSERVED	NO. ENGAGING OWN A/C	(d)		ON OF BOMBS, TORPEDOES CARRIED			CAMOUFLAGE AND MARKING	
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	r and Cloud	ls at Locatio	n of Encounter	·(s)					
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VI. LOSS OR DAMAGE, COMBAT OR OPERATIONAL, OF OWN AIRCRAFT (of those listed in II only).

(a) TYPE OWN A/C	(b) SQUADRON	CAUSE: TYPE ENEMY A/C, TYPE GUN, OR OPERATIONAL CAUSE	(d) WHERE HIT, ANGLE	(e) EXTENT OF LOSS OR DAMAGE REMARKS
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VII. PERSONNEL CASUALTIES (in aircraft listed in II only; identify with planes listed in VI by Nos. at left).

(a) NO.	(b) SQUADRON	(c) NAME, RANK OR RATING	(d) CAUSE	(e) CONDITION OR STATUS
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VIII. RANGE, FUEL, AND AMMUNITION DATA

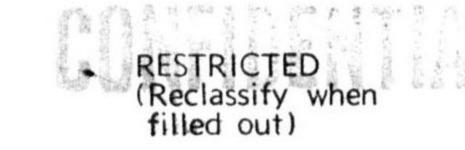
(a) TYPE A/C	(b) MILES	(c) MILES	AV. HOURS	(e)	(f) A\/ ELIEI	(g) TOTAL AMMUNITION EXPENDED, PLANES RETURNING				
A/C	MILES	MILES RETURN	IN AIR	AV. FUEL LOADED	AV. FUEL CONSUMED	NO. OF PLANES	.30	.50	20MM	MM.
37			12.5	1450gal.	1300cal	Ž.		400		

IX. COMPARATIVE PERFORMANCE, OWN AND ENEMY AIRCRAFT (use check list at left).

SPEED, CLIMB, at various altitudes

TURNS
DIVES
CEILINGS
RANGE
PROTECTION
ARMAMENT

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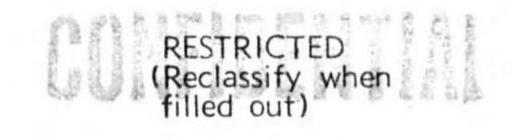
(OMIT THIS SHEET IF NO ATTACK WAS MADE)

X.	ATTACK OF	I ENEMY	SHIPS OR	GROUND	OBJECTIVES (B	y Own	Aircraft	Listed in II O	nly),
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	Location of Target(s)		(b) Time Over	Target(s)	1630 1730 GCT. 1740
(d)	Sun or MoonXI. TARGETS, RESULTS OF ATTACK.		(e) Visibilit	ý	
	(a)  DESCRIPTION OF TARGET (List All Ships in Group, Whether or Not Individually Attacked)	(b) A/C ATTACKING (c) SQUADRON	(d) BOMBS AND AMMUNITION EXPENDED, EACH TARGET	(e) ALTITUDE OF RELEASE	(f) HITS
1	2 or 3 deriges		400 rounds .50 calib		
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3	Villace southeast side of island		2 % 100% Presentation		
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(h) Were Photographs Taken?\_\_\_\_\_Photographs of Damage, When Taken, Should Be Attached.

RESULTS: (FOR SHIP TARGETS 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, WITH DIAGRAMS OR CHARTS WHERE DESIRABLE. DESCRIBE TARGETS FULLY IN (a), AND IN REPORTING DAMAGE OR DESTRUCTION, IDENTIFY BY NUMBERS AT LEFT. USE ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY).



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 " , 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 Release Pull-Out Dive Angle Strafing Retirement Defensive Tactics

#### DEFENSE, ENEMY

Evasive Tactics, Ships Concealment Anti-aircraft Searchlights Night Fighter Tactics

#### 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

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

Lieut. Comdr. Sommor's mission was a might soarch for a submission in the Newsk area. Visibility from a full moon was excellent, but the but was not found. After a thorough search of possible sub tracks and positions, he decided to strafe and bomb with frage tergets in the area before returning to base. At O230M. 5 berges were found at the berge depot on the south contral shore of Kairira Island. 2 had reached the cover of the trees along the shore and the third was about 50 yards offshore headed for cover when a strafing run was made toward the shore. The four .50 caliber mass in the bow jammed after 150 rounds, but fire from these guns and the port waist gun was seen to go into the tergets. One barge directed small caliber machine can fire at the plane during its approach and retirement, but no hits were received.

At OSSOR Lieut. Comir. Sommer returned to the barge repeir depot area after making another encep for the submarine. We then made a steep diving run from 9000 feet releasing at 3000 feet, and hit the personnel area with two 100 pound frage. Then after a circle around the harbor at 3000 feet. Lieut. Comdr. Sommer returned and strated the village on the southeast side of the island, expending about 250 rounds with his weist carties.

The Jamming of the four forward firing fifties (described in peragraph XII above/was caused by defective armer piercing annunition. Armor piercing balls on about 3% of the emmunition separated from cases and jammed in the berrole, spilling powder in the breeches. This amminition was from lot | 18224.

# The crow of the plane was as follows:

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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

REPORT PREPARED BY:

APPROVED BY:

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