	I. GENERAL						SHAMOGE BAY (GVE-84)c) Report No. 61					
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TYPE (a)	SQUADRON (b)	TAKING OFF (c)	ENGAGING ENEMY A/C (d)	ATTACKING TARGET (e)	BOMBS AND TORPEDOES CARRIED (PER PLANE) (f)		.)	FUZE, SETTING (g)				
3	70-94	*		1	10x100 8 AR -	g/p - AII-M Nk 7x3.5"	30 NX 15" N NX	219 nose -	· impac			
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			D AIRCRAF	T EMPLOYEI	D IN THIS	PERATION. SQUADRON	NUMBER	BASE				
TYPE	SQUADRON	NUMBER	MANT	n island								
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V	I. LOSS			MBAT OR O			(4)	1	EVT - N	(e)	DAMAGE
(a)	VN A/C	(b) SQUADRON	TYPE GI	JSE: TYPE ENEMY IN, OR OPERATIO	A/C, NAL CAUSE	WHERE HIT self-sealing	tanks, equipme	armor, ent hit)	(Give Bureau	serial number of	DAMAGE, planes destroyed
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	VIII. I	RANGE,	FUEL, AN (c) MILES RETURN	D AMMUNI (d) AV. HOURS IN AIR	TION DATA (e) AV FUEL LOADED	FOR PLA (f) AV. FUEL CONSUMED	NES RETU (g)	.50	NITION EXPE	NDED	NO. OF PLA RETURNIN
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X. 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)



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	Target(s) and Location	Fm 1 4 m 4 4	s includ	E ALL IN AREA L	INDER ATTACK)		i raige (137			_ (2_0) 10 /
	Visibility of Target_	Clear	(CLEAR, HAZY, PARTIALLY OBSCURED BY CLOUDS, ETC.)				Unrestricted (MILES)			
f)	Bombing Tactics: Typ	eG116	(LEVEL,							
	Bombs Dropped per Ru	Dez zancunagej	- 4 de an	Spacing	30 slant finge	Altitude 1000 feet	of Bomb Rele	ease	OOO .	•)
g)	Number of Enemy Ai	rcraft Hit on Gro	ound: De	estroyed	Proba	bly Destroyed_		_ Damag	jed	
	(h) AIMING POINT	DIMENSIONS OR TONNAGE	(k) SQUA	/C ATTACKING	BOMBS AND EXPENDED, EACH	AMMUNITION	(m) NO. HITS On Aiming Point		(n) SE (None, destroyed	
	Artillery posit		ds.	70-94	19x100's,		All in	area	None	observ
2	AA positions	400x200 ye	3.	70-94	21x100's, 900 rds.	28 AR .50 cal.	**	Ħ	Ħ	*
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- (1) 4 bomb hits on peak of riege where positions believed to be concentrated.
- (2) Pilots not certain that they were hitting right area.

of hits. For all targets give location and effect of hits, and identify by numbers above. Use additional sheets if necessary).

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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

A group composed of 12 TBN-3's - 4 each from the SHAMROGE BAY, MAKIN ISLAND, and SARGENT BAY - reported over Okinasa to provide direct support early in the morning of 9 May. The group was directed to attack artillery positions in an area 400x200 yds. on a ridge. In a total of 6 individual glide bombing runs our planes dropped 19x100 lb. g.p.'s in the area of the positions. 4 bombs were seen to hit the peak of the ridge where the positions were believed to be concentrated. Neither the positions nor damage to them could be observed.

The planes were directed to expend their bombs and AR on AA positions nearby. While our planes dropped 21 bombs and fired 28 AR in this attack, the positions were never sighted, and the pilots believe the positions were not in the area attacked.



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 Bornb 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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