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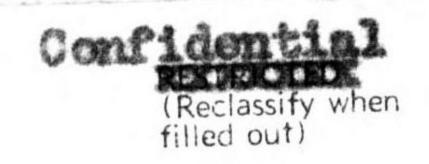
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¥-2	70-91	4	USS SAVO	ISLAND					
	V00-2	4	USS PARSE	LAN DAI			1011		
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	ent Enemy M								
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Time of	f Day and Br or Moon	illiance					(k) Visi	bility	
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		DYED OR DAM	AGED BY:		III AIII (D) O			(c)	(d) DAMAG
(a) TYPE	(b) DESTRO	SQUADRON	1	T OR GUNNER		NS USED			DAMAG
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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	AGE, COMBAT OR OPERATIONAL  TYPE GUN, OR OPERATIONAL CAUSE	WHERE HIT, ANGLE (List armor, self-sealing tanks, equipment hit)	(Give Bureau serial number of planes destroyed)
TIM-S	VC-84	Cause unknown.		
		Plane seen to start	a constant and	
}		second run on target fr	m 7000 leeva	
1		peeling off in 70° dive	to left then	
5		snapping back to right	lessening to ou	
7 8 9 0		on its back and crashed be fired hurriedly just gas seen coming from riwing come off; alleror off was shredded; no A	before wing came off.  tht wing tank after  on wing that came observed at time.	

VII. PERSONNEL CASUALTIES (in aircraft listed in II only; identify with planes listed in VI by Nos. at left).

T	(b)	ONNEL CASUALTIES (in aircraft liste  (c)  NAME, RANK OR RATING	(d) CAUSE	CONDITION OR STATUS
).	SQUADRON	/ . \	see shove	Dead
	VC-84	Donald E. Glasgow, Lt. U.S.	\$45 570 All All All All All All All All All Al	***
_	VC-84	Glenn F. Cota, ARMZe	25	£9
	VC-84	George Douvos, AMM20	6.9	879
	VC-84	Harry M. Hanson, Pholile		
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VIII. RANGE, FUEL, AND AMMUNITION DATA FOR PLANES RETURNING

VIII.	RANGE,	FUEL, AN	D AMMUNI	HON DAT	A FOR PLAN	(g	) TOTAL AMMUI	VITION EXPEN	NDFD	NO OF PLANES
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TIM-3	65	70	3.4	233	150		10970			13
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IX. ENEMY ANTI-AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERED (Check one block on each line).

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	NONE	MEAGER	MODERATE	IIAIEIAZE
CALIBER		1		
EAVY — Time-fused shells, 75mm and over	X	7		
EDIUM — Impact-fused shells, 20mm-50mm.	450	3%		
IGHT — Machine gun bullets, 6.5mm-13.2mm	A,			

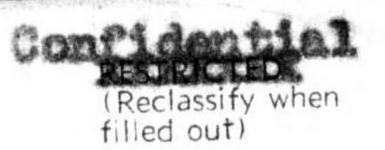
X. COMPARATIVE PERFORMANCE, OWN AND ENEMY AIRCRAFT (use check list at left).

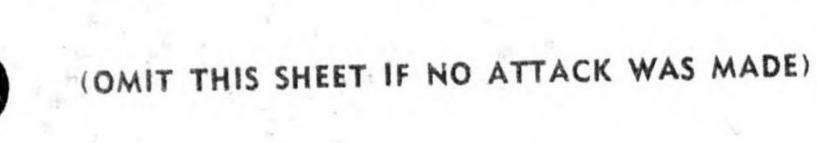
SPEED, CLIMB, at various altitudes

TURNS DIVES CEILINGS RANGE PROTECTION ARMAMENT

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	XI. ATTACK ON ENE	MY SHIPS OR	GROUND OBJECT	IVES (By Own Aircraft Listed i	Target(s)	See below I(Zone)
a)	Target(s) and Location(	S) (FOR SHIP	S INCLUDE ALL IN AREA	UNDER ATTACK) (b) Time Over		
				TYPE AND TENTHS OF COVER)		
<b>d</b> )	Visibility of Target	CLEAR HAZ	Y. PARTIALLY OBSCURED	BY CLOUDS, ETC.)	isibility	(MILES)
F)	Bombing Tactics: Type -	G:	1de	Bomb Sight Use	ed	(TYPE)
	Ramba Dranged per Run	A	Spacing	Altitude o	of Bomb Rele	ease
		continues also consider to	09 mmds 44	Probably Destroyed_	0	Damaged 7
<b>y</b> /			(i) NO A/C ATTACKING	T DOMBS AND AMMINITION	(m)	(n)  DAMAGE (None, slight, serious, destroyed or sunk)
1	Buildings, rovet-	TONNAGE	(k) SQUADRON	20 500 1b GP AN-MR 64	All in	Several buildings destroyed, other
	ments terget 1		VC-84 (7 FM-	2)40 100 1b GP AN-M SC 7 rockets, Mk 1 body 7 agtor: no rds.		specific results
3	Shops, area 2	200 x 400y	ds 4 FM-2	24 rockets as above; unknown no. rds. 50 c		Unicown
4	Buildings, shops,		4 TIM-5	4 500 lb GP as above, 20 100 lb GP as above	<b>29</b>	65
5	ments in terget		VC-84	cal.		
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of hits. For all targets give location and effect of hits, and identify by numbers above. Use additional sheets if necessary).

In target area 5 the planes rocketed and strafed did not burn. 1 large fire was started in a probable fuel dump. In all areas there was good coverage.

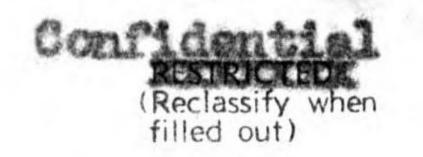
## Targets -

- 1- Mobara airfield, southwest end of field buildings area, probable repair, warehouse, storage, Revetments east side field. 0655 and 0750.
- 2- Nobara airfield. Shops, southwest end field. Barracks, northeast coast, south of
- Shima,jiri. 1230 and 1515. 3- Hirara airfield, buildings, shops west side field. Planes probably non operational in revetments, fuel storage.

	Were Photographs Taken?	***			VAZI TO L	Chauld Ra Attache	ad By Stanle
N. A.	When Photographs Taken?	Yes	Photographs	s of Damage,	When laken,	Should be Allache	ed by stapic.
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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

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

## 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

In its final combat operations before being relieved VU-84 participated in strikes on Miyako Jima, Sakishima Gunto on 28 April 1945. 3 support flights were launched from USS MARIN ISLAND at 0543 I, 8 THM-3 and 7 FM-2, returning at 0927 I, 4 FM-2 at 1120 I, returning at 1510 I, and 4 TBM-3 and 8 FM-2 at 1452 I returning at 1765 I. The support groups of the first and third flights were led by Lt. English and Lt. Woll. In each case a canned mission was worked out in advance for use in the event that on the spot observation brought no more fruitful targets. In planning the missions consideration was given to target priorities, targets reportedly by task units on prior strikes, and best approaches and get away for AA. In both cases the canned mission was used at least in major part. The first support group consisting entirely of VC-84 planes, hit buildings, probable repair and workshops and storage on the west side of Mobara field. Revetments on the east side were also strafed. I bombing and rocket run were made by VI. At the start of the second run, from 7000 feet, Lt. (jg) Okasgow's plane was seem to peel off in a 70° dive to the left then snap to the right lesseming the angle to 60°, 4 rockets were released hurriedly then the starboard wing was seen to come off, in falling its ailerons were seen to be shredded. The plane rolled over on its back, gas coming from the right tank, and crashed. No one was seen to get out and low circling over the scene of the crash revealed only a mass of flames.

The final group hit buildings and shaps the west side of the field and planes in revetments. The latter did not burn but 7 were damaged by strafing and were possibley operational. A large fire was started in a fuel dump on the west side of the field. Bombing runs were started at 7000 feet with release at 2500 and pullout at 1500. Rocket slant range was 2000 feet. Strafing runs were carried down to 100 feet from a start at 4000 feet.

The second group of 4 FM-2 rocketed shops at the southwest end of Mobara

field and strafed barracks on the northeast coast south of Shimajui,

Pilots -

without observable results.

lst support flight - VT - Lt. Douglas K. English, support group leader, Lt. Brice Holladay, Lt. Richard I. Haley, Lts. (jg) William H. Bartles, Donald B. Glasgow, Harry D. Anderson, Pasign Deane A. Welle, Terence B. McManus.

VF - Lt. Thomas S. Sedaker, division leader, Lt. (jg) Robert H. Hooks, Ensign C.K. Lasher, Ensign Johan D.W. Hubbeling,

Lt. (jg) Alfred E. Momaham, division leader, Lt. (jg) Raymond B. Howard, Ensign Bernard Hobson.

2nd flight - Lt. Robert O. Ment, flight leader, Lt. (jg) Kenneth B. Finka, Englight Raymond A. Kerr, Henry Wardenga.

Srd flight - Lt. Barl R. Attobury, division leader, Lt.(jg) Rex S. McDaniel, Ensigns Harold E. Chapman, Bric ". Kattwinkel, Lt.(jg) James G. Babb, division leader, Ensign John R. Stroppel, Edsel C. Varney, R.K. Browne. VT - Lt. Francis A. Noll, support group leader, Lts.(jg) Howard A. Hughes, Wilbur E. Ege, Ensign Wesley H. Richards.

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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

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One TRM-3 lost its starboard wing. It was seen to peel off to the left in a run from 7000 feet at 70° then snap to the right lessening the angle to 80°. A rockets appeared to be fired hastily and then the starboard wing came off. As it fell the wing's allerons were observed to be shredded. The plane volled over on its back, gas coming from the right tank and crashed. It had already made a bombing run, releasing 10 100 lb GP and was then carrying 8 rockets. No AA was observed.

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