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(a) Unit R	eporting	VI-12	(b)	Based on or	at	3 Rand	lolph(Cl	7-15)	(c) Repor	t No.
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(e) Mission	Target	CAP, E	IKAI SHI	MA, MAD	LUI	SHOTO	*	( <b>f</b> ) Time (	of Return	1321(I) (Zone)
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	TYPE A/C	MILES	MILES	AV. HOURS IN AIR	LOADED	AV. FUEL CONSUMED	.30	.50	20MM	MM	RETURNING		
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X. COMPARATIVE PERFORMANCE, OWN AND ENEMY AIRCRAFT (use check list at left).

SPEED, CLIMB, at various altitudes

None encountered.

TURNS
DIVES
CEILINGS
RANGE
PROTECTION
ARMAMENT

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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

#### 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

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On this flight an attempt was made to burn out a wooded area at the southwest corner of WAN Airfield, KIKAI SHIMA with MAPALM bombs. Two 58-gal. MAPALM wing tanks were launched with each HELLCAT. Fifteen of the sixteen bembs hit within the target area (presumed to conceal dispersed aircraft), starting large fires; four of these fires continued to burn till after the patrol had retired, an hour and a half later. The attack was started in a glide from 10,000 feet, with the pushover to about a 60 degree dive at 7500 feet, and release at 1500 feet. All sixteen bombs ignited.

As Lt.Cdr. F. H. MICHAELIS, Fighting TWELVE's skipper, dove at the area he noticed an operational plane thought to be an OSCAR on the edge of the taxiway adjacent to the target. He strafed during his dive, released his NAPALM, rendezvoused, and returned to attack the grounded aircraft. Upon his second dive he was surprised to see that the OSCAR had already been removed and concealed.

MARALM bombs were given a chance to prove themselves on this hop.

All sixteen of the wing tanks loaded ignited and burned. Dropped from

the target area. Of the fifteen fires started, four were still burning

an altitude of 1500 feet, fifteen of the sixteen released fell within

when the HHLCATS retired to return to base. It can be assumed that

some objects more usbatantial than thatched huts were set afire. In

this instance MAPALM was the ideal armament for such an attack and

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

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proved itself successful.

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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