



# AIRCRAFT ACTION REPORT

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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	(c) CAUSE: TYPE ENEMY A/C GUN, OR OPERATIONAL CAUSE	(d) WHERE HIT, ANGLE (List armor, self-sealing tanks, equipment hit)	(e) (Give Bureau serial number of planes destroyed)
1	None			
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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
		None		

## VIII. RANGE, FUEL, AND AMMUNITION DATA FOR PLANES RETURNING

(a) TYPE A/C	(b) MILES OUT	(c) MILES RETURN	(d) AV. HOURS IN AIR	(e) AV. FUEL LOADED	(f) AV. FUEL CONSUMED	(g) TOTAL AMMUNITION EXPENDED				(h) NO. OF PLANES RETURNING
						.30	.50	20MM	MM	
SR2c/L	130	260*	5.0	436	375	--	--	1760	--	13

\* Vector by TOMCAT incorrect.

## IX. ENEMY ANTI-AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERED (Check one block on each line).

GALLERY	NONE	MEAGER	MODERATE	INTENSE
HEAVY—Time-fused shells, 75mm and over	X			
MEDIUM—Impact-fused shells, 25mm-50mm	X			
LIGHT—Machine gun bullets, 6.5mm-13.2mm		X		

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

- SPEED, CLIMB,  
at various altitudes
- TURNING
- DIVES
- CEILINGS
- RANGE
- PROTECTION

None observed.

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## XI. ATTACK ON ENEMY SHIPS OR GROUND OBJECTIVES (By Own Aircraft Listed in II Only).

(a) Target(s) and Location(s) JIMMAICHI A/F & Installations (b) Time Over Target(s) 0705 (Zone) 0850  
(FOR SHIPS INCLUDE ALL IN AREA UNDER ATTACK)

(c) Cloud Over Target .8 at 8000 ft  
(BASE IN FEET, TYPE AND TENTHS OF COVER)

(d) Visibility of Target hazy (e) Visibility 5 miles  
(CLEAR, HAZY, PARTIALLY OBSCURED BY CLOUDS, ETC.) (MILES)

(f) Bombing Tactics: Type Dive and glide Bomb Sight Used MK 8  
(LEVEL, GLIDE OR DIVE) (TYPE)

Bombs Dropped per Run 1 Spacing 0 Altitude of Bomb Release 2500 D/B  
(NUMBER) (FEET) 1500 G/B

(g) Number of Enemy Aircraft Hit on Ground: Destroyed 2 Probably Destroyed 1 Damaged 8

(h) AIMING POINT	(i) DIMENSIONS OR TONNAGE	(j) NO. A/C ATTACKING (k) SQUADRON	(l) BOMBS AND AMMUNITION EXPENDED EACH AIMING POINT	(m) NO. HITS On Aiming Point	(n) DAMAGE (None, slight, serious, destroyed or sunk)
1 Aircraft in revetted areas		13 VB-94	28 x HVARs 3 x 500 lb G/P; 1760 20 mm	11	2 destroyed, 1 probable, 8 ser. damaged.
2					
3 Warehouse Area		8 VB-94	13 x 500 lb GP	4	2 of these hits
4 Hangar area east of runway		6 VB-94	4 x HVARs & 8 x 500 lb GP	2	near misses direct hits
5 large bldg in town west of field		1 VB	2 x 500 lb GP	2	left burning
6					
7					
8					

(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.)

There were three fires burning in the revetted area about the field upon the arrival of the flight. Between 30 - 50 aircraft were observed, these were taken under attack by VF and VB. Thirteen burning aircraft were seen upon the completion of the attack. In addition to the thirteen burned, 1 T/E was completely demolished by a direct rocket hit, five were thoroughly strafed and seen to absorb 20 mm hits, 3 T/E were probably damaged by near bomb and rocket hits, one of which was believed to burn shortly thereafter. Aircraft at this field were twin engine type mostly BETTYS and a few NELLs - the single engine were SPRUCE.

	R	E	C	A	P	Total	
Twin engine	Destroyed	2	Probab. dest.	1	Damaged	6	9
SPRUCE	-	-	-	-	2	2	

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NARRATIVE

Thirteen (13) VB and seven (7) VF departed the ship at 0530 and reached the target JIMMACHI A/F at 0705. A dive bombing attack from 10,500 ft, followed by a glide bombing attack was carried out. The order of attack was VF, then VB. Two rocket and strafing runs followed the bombing attacks. The targets for VF were aircraft revetted about the field with air installations for VB's bombs and their R/P and 20mm for use against aircraft located on the ground. VF worked over the revetted aircraft starting approximately 10 fires. As a result of the VB bombing, hits were scored in the hangar and warehouse areas just east of the runway and some small fires were started although hits on the larger buildings caused none to burn. Meager anti-aircraft fire was encountered which is believed to have come from the SE end of the runway and from the revetted area northwest of the field. Other than that, there was no opposition, and to date, U. S. Naval aircraft continue to roam the Nips back-yard at will. This is the first time that any large number of dispersed enemy aircraft have been seen to burn, for previously, few aircraft were burned although many planes were seriously damaged by strafing.

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