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a) Unit Re	ff: Date	-7C-88		Based on or	-					(c) Report No	71
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IV. EN	NEMY AIRC	RAFT OBS	ERVED OR E	NGAGED (E	By Own	Aircra	ft Liste	ed in II	Only).		
(a) TYPE	(b)	NO. ENGAGING OWN A/C	IG TIME LOCATI		(e) TION OF DUNTER		BOMBS, TORPEDOES CARRIED GUNS OBSERVED			CAMOUFLAGE AND MARKING	
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TYPE	(b) DESTRO	YED OR DAMA	GED BY:		T	6111				(c)	(d) DAMAGE
	/	C SQUADRON PILOT OR GUNNER			GUN	SUNS USED WHERE			HIT, ANGLE CLAI		
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	VIII. RA	NGE, FU	EL, AN	D AMMUNI	TION DAT	TA FOR PLAN	IES RETU	RNING			
(a)		(b) (c) (d) (e)		(e)	(f) (g) TOTAL AM			MUNITION EXPENDED (h)			
Α	/C		RETURN	IN AIR	AV. FUEL LOADED	AV. FUEL CONSUMED	.30	.50	20MM	MM	NO. OF PLAN RETURNING
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	IX. ENE	MY ANTI			NTERED (Check one blo	ck on eac	h line).			
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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

HEAVY — Time-fused shells, 75mm and over

MEDIUM — Impact-fused shells, 20mm-50mm

LIGHT — Machine gun bullets, 6.5mm-13.2mm

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(OMIT THIS SHEET IF NO ATTACK WAS MADE)



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XI. ATTACK ON EI	NEMY SHIPS OR	GROUND OBJECT	IVES (By Own Aircraft Liste	d in 11 Only)	•
(a) Target(s) and Location	on(s) (FOR SHIE	S INCLUDE ALL IN AREA	UNDER ATTACK) (b) Time O	ver Target(s)	0900_1000K_(Zone)
(c) Clouds Over Target_	3000	(BASE IN FEET	T. TYPE AND TENTHS OF COVER)		
(d) Visibility of Target	Clear, HAZ	Y, PARTIALLY OBSCURED	BY CLOUDS, ETC.)	Visibility	(MILES)
(f) Bombing Tactics: Typ	e	(LEVEL, GLIDE OR DIVE)	Bomb Sight L	Jsed	(TYPE)
Bombs Dropped per Ru	IN(NUMBER	Spacing	(FEET) Altitude	e of Bomb Rel	ease (FEET)
(g) Number of Enemy Air	rcraft Hit on Gro	und: Destroyed	Probably Destroyed		_ Damaged
(h) AIMING POINT	DIMENSIONS OR TONNAGE	(i) NO A/C ATTACKING (k) SQUADRON	BOMBS AND AMMUNITION EXPENDED, EACH AIMING POINT	NO HITS On Aiming Point	DAMAGE (None, slight, serious, destroyed or sunk)
Mortar and cun po	eitions	4 PM-2 TC-03	16 Nookets 4200 rd50 cal.	All in	6 fires started Extent of destruction ion unknown
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(p) Were Photographs Taken? _____Photographs of Damage, WhenTaken, Should Be Attached By Staple.

⁽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).

Recket and intense strafing attacks on mortar and gun positions in target area 219 R. S. and X in northeaster Iwo Jima.by FM-2's of VC-88 and planes of VC-83 resulted in starting 6 fires. Extent of specific destruction could not be determined but front lines said attack was very well done. Rockets of VC-88's FM-2 were mentioned as being right on the spot desired.

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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

It(jg) N. J. ARRESTROND and Ensigns F. D. TAYLOR and C. E. ADANS, joined with four PM-2's and four EMM's of VC-85 to conduct an extensely successful attack on mortar and gan positions in northeastern Iwo Jima, in direct support of ground forces. Those positions were located in target area 210 R. S. and X. from the edge of a cliff toward the sea on a raised plateau of beach. It(jg) Armstrong was twice complimented for putting his reckets right on the correct spot and others were told to put their reckets and bombs on the same spot. The FMM's of VC-83 dropped 500 lb. beachs and at least one of these struck what appeared to be an assumition desp.

from the combined attack, with a li rockets and strafing in the area intended, an unknown empant of destruction was done. At least six fires were started and four of these were seen burning after the planes had rendezvoused and began their return to the ship. The ground forces, through CASCO, said the job was very, very well done.

firing mans were made from north to south, began at about 5 to 4000, so degree glides, pulling out anywhere from 1000 feet down to 50 feet. The air coordinator was reported to have done an excellent job.

The port inboard gun of one Pi-2 did not fire and a gun on one

FM-2 did not fire and a gum on another plane cooked off after

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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

FUEL SYSTEM

Lights

FLIGHT CLOTHING

MAINTENANCE

SIGNATURE

BASE FACILITIES

Plane Servicing Equipment Personnel Facilities

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