OPNAV-16-223 Form ACA-1 Sheet 1 or 5

# AIRCRAFT ACTION REPORT

RESTRICTED (Reclassify when filled out)

GEN	FRA	
(-FN	FKA	
GLIA	LIVA	_

e) Mission	Strike a		mg. 144°-	a, Hokk	aido, Ja	pen,			f Return 0832	
			LLY COVER		HIS REPOR	Т.		•) Time 0	. Neturn	LZone
TYPE	SQUADRON	TAKING OFF	ENEMY A/C	ATTACKING TARGET		CARRIED (	TORPEDOES PER PLANE)		FUZE, SI	ETTING
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	6-HVAR (	5") 5"	head s	rıd	(9	
							motor.		ME 169, In	300
					*					
III. O	THER U. S.	OR ALLIED	AIRCRAFT	MPLOYE	D IN THIS	OPERAT	TION.		1	
TYPE	SQUADRON	NUMBER	E	ASE		TYPE	SQUADRON	NUMBER	BAS	SE
,										
										.,
IV. EN	IEMY AIRC	CRAFT OBSE	RVED OR EN	GAGED (	By Own Air	craft Lis	ted in 11	Only).		
(a) TYPE	OBSERVED	NO. ENGAGING OWN A/C	TIME ENCOUNTERED	LOCA	BOMBS, TORPEDOES CARRIE		OES CARRIED	CAMOUFLAGE AND MARKING		
			(ZONE)		None					
			(ZONE)							
	7		(ZONE)							
	nt Enemy My Part of ter(s) Occu	ar in Clouds?	(YES OR NO)		ribe Clouds		(BASE IN	FEET, TYPE  (k) Visi	and tenths of co	VER)
i ime oi	Day and Bror Moon —		(NIGHT, BRIGHT	MOON; DAY	, OVERCAST; E	TC.)		V-		-
j) of Sun V. EN	or Moon _	RAFT DESTR	OYED OR DA				rcraft Lis	ted in II C	nly).	
j) of Sun	or Moon _	RAFT DESTR	OYED OR DA						(c) HIT, ANGLE	(d) DAMAGE CLAIMED
j) of Sun  V. EN  (a)  TYPE	or Moon	RAFT DESTR	OYED OR DA	MAGED		Own Ai			(c)	DAMAGE
j) of Sun  V. EN  (a)  TYPE	or Moon	RAFT DESTR	OYED OR DA	MAGED		Own Ai			(c)	DAMAG
j) of Sun  V. EN  (a)  TYPE	or Moon	RAFT DESTR	OYED OR DA	MAGED		Own Ai			(c)	DAMAG
j) of Sun  V. EN  (a)  TYPE	or Moon	RAFT DESTR	OYED OR DA	MAGED		Own Ai			(c)	DAMAG
j) of Sun  V. EN  (a)  TYPE	or Moon	RAFT DESTR	OYED OR DA	MAGED		Own Ai			(c)	DAMAG
j) of Sun  V. EN  (a)  TYPE	or Moon	RAFT DESTR	OYED OR DA	MAGED		Own Ai			(c)	DAMAG
j) of Sun  V. EN  (a)  TYPE	or Moon	RAFT DESTR	OYED OR DA	MAGED		Own Ai			(c)	DAMAG
of Sun  V. EN  (a)  TYPE	or Moon	RAFT DESTR	OYED OR DA	MAGED		Own Ai			(c)	DAMAG

DECLASSIFIED BY NND 760124 Jim & New 3/26/86

OPNAV-16-223 Form ACA-1 Sheet 2 of 5

# AIRCRAFT ACTION REPORT

RESTRICTED (Reclassify when filled out)

(a)	(b)	AGE, COMBAT OR			(d)	•		(e)	
TYPE OWN A/C	SQUADRON	TYPE GUN, OR OPERAT	CAUSE: TYPE ENEMY A/C, YPE GUN, OR OPERATIONAL CAUSE  WHERE HIT, ANGLE (List armor, self-sealing tanks, equipment hit)		Give Bureau serial number of planes destroy				
None							4	N.	
	9 21 15 1								
		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·							
							, ,		
· .					*				
•									
VII DE	DECHINEL A	CACILAL TIEC /	(. l 1						
95808	NOUNINEL (	CASUALTIES (in air	craft listed	in II only; ide	entity w	ith planes list	ed in VI	by Nos. at	left).
(b) SQUADRON	,			(d) CAUSE			(e) CONDITION OR STATUS		
	None								V 31/V103
		***************************************			-	1			
					-				
								`	
									:
+		-							
-	+								
VIII R	ANGE FILE	L, AND AMMUNI	TION DAT	A EOD DIAL	IEC DET	OLAHAGII.		+	
	(b)	(c) (d)	(e)	(f)			AUTION EVO	TAIDED	T
TYPE A/C	MILES	AILES AV. HOURS	AV. FUEL LOADED	AV. FUEL -	.30	TOTAL AMMU	20MM	·	NO. OF PLAN
		125 4 lirs.,	400	295	.50	11,340	20/////	- MM	RETURNING
		30 Min.				449020		<del> </del>	- 3
								-	
IX. ENI	MY ANTI-	AIRCRAFT ENCOU	NTERED (C	Check one blo	ck on e	ach line).			
1 - 1		CALIBER		NON		MEAGER	M	ODERATE	INTENSE
AVY — Time-	fused shells, 75	5mm and over		X					
		lls, 20mm-50mm					1		

X. COMPARATIVE PERFORMANCE	OWN	AND	ENEMY	AIRCRAFT	(use	check	list a	t left)	. 3
----------------------------	-----	-----	-------	----------	------	-------	--------	---------	-----

SPEED, CLIMB, at various altitudes

TURNS
DIVES
CEILINGS
RANGE
PROTECTION
ARMAMENT

LIGHT — Machine gun bullets, 6.5mm-13.2mm

None

ALLSET - MFD. BY THE EGRY REGISTER CO., PATENTED

NND 760124 Jim & KNew DECLASSIFIED BY

OPNAV-16-223 Form ACA-1 Sheet 3 of 5

#### AIRCRAFT ACTION REPORT

RESTRICTED



(OMIT THIS SHEET IF NO ATTACK WAS MADE)

A	- SEEDE
-46	(ESCO)2.
. 3	2000
	CHARGE .
	MANUFACTURE .
옉	(A)
	40000E

(Reclassify	when
filled out)	

	2500; Stra	tue; 10/10	T. TYPE AND TENTHS OF COVER)		
			BY CLOUDS, ETC.)	Visibility	20
Rocket  (f) Remaine Tactics:	Type Divo -	(LEVEL, GLIDE OR DIVE	Roman Sight U		(MILES)  VIII (fixed)  (TYPE)
Rockets Rombs:Dropped per	Run 4 - 6	Spacing_	(FEET) Altitude	of Bomb Re	lease <b>3,500-2,000</b>
			Probably Destroyed_		(FEET)
. (h) AIMING POINT	DIMENSIONS OR	(i) NO A/C ATTACKING	т		DAMAGE (None, slight,
1	TONNAGE	(k) SQUADRON	<del></del>	Aiming Point	serious destroyed or sunk)
Clark m	Fox Tare Do	+	20-HVAR (5")	7	
Ship 2	150-200 ft.	VF-1	1762 rds.,50 cal,MG	639	left burning
Train	14 cars	VF-1	10-HVAR (5") 3326 rds50 cal.NG	•	locomotive sieved -
3 5 fishing	35' - 50'	2	2-HVAR (5")		one car left burning
ressels	length	VF-1	2326 rds. 60 cal. MG		one left burning
4		4	12-SVAR (5")	8	roof holed 1 bldg.
Warehouses	200° x 50°	VF-1	1748 rds. 50 cal. MG		2 bldgs left smoking
		4	4-HVAR (5")		
5	A come	VP-1	2178 rds. 50 cal.MG		well sieved
5 Train	G 001 10				
5 77217 6					
5					

- 1. Ship 10 miles N.W. of Kushiro.
- 2. Train near and headed to Hamanaka.
- 3. Fishing vessels 10 miles W. of Akkeshi Wen.
- 4. Train 3 miles south of Shitakara.

(p) Were Photographs Taken?

Photographs of Damage, WhenTaken, Should Be Attached By Staple.

ALLSET - MFD. BY THE EGRY REGISTER CO., PATENTED

<sup>(</sup>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).

NND 760124 Jim KN.

OPNAV-16-223 Form ACA-1 Sheet 4 of 5

### AIRCRAFT ACTION REPORT

RESTRICTED (Reclassify when filled out)

REPORT No. 9-45

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 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

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.)

> Two VF divisions led by Lieutenant R. E. BROWNELL, USNR, and Lieutenant L. K. DROOM, USER, took off from U.S.S. BENNINGTON at 0400. Weather was soupy with ceiling about 800 feet. Flight climbed up through overcast and broke out at 10,000 feet. Arrived at coast slightly south of Kushiro, Hokkaido. Land overcast so let-down made over water. Bregk through made at 2,000 feet and course set 090° along coast. Approximately 10 miles from Kushiro a Fox Tare Dog sighted headed northeast. 8 planes rocketed and strafed ship, leaving it burning. Flight took course for Akkeshi. Fourteen car train spotted by Lieutemant HROWNELL and both divisions rocketed and strafed it. Lieutenant (jg) W. B. GUMNELS's, USNR, rockets hit freight car which flamed. Other hits scored on locomotive which steemed and stopped. On return to Kushiro 5 fishing vessels (35 feet) strafed and left dead in water. One burned by Lieutenant (jg) W. C. DANIELSEN, USNR.

Climb made to 6,500 feet and strafing and rocket run made on warehouses and docking facilities at Eushiro. Rockets released at 3,500 -2,000 in 50° dive. On second run on same target Lieutenant (jg) CUMNELS noticed large holes in roof of one building. Two buildings left smoking. Lieutenant BROWNELL's division then strafed another train whose locomotive steemed considerably and stopped. Second rum

made on stalled train which was sieved badly.

Two divisions rendezvoused and course set for Group Tomost. At 5,000 feet altitude Tomost could not be seen due to cloud and feg cover. Vector given flight by Tomcat and 15 miles from Task Group planes let down to 50 feet, located picket boat but were unable to locate BENNINGTON. Proceeded to rendezvous sector at 25 feet visibility 50 feet, pilots losing sight of wingman and section leaders at times. Ship "CHARLIED" Lieutenant DROOM's division but he was unable to locate BENNINGTON for 20 minutes. Lieutenant BROWNELL's division circled DD 25 feet off deck for 20 minutes. Head-in to Task Group then made and "CHARLIE" given by HANCOCK where division made successful landings.

Weather on return to Task Group worst VF-1 has experienced to date.

ALLSET - MFD BY THE EGRY REGISTER CO., PATENTED

NND 760124 JimBKNew DECLASSIFIED BY

OPNAV-16-223 Form ACA-1 Sheet 5 of 5

# AIRCRAFT ACTION REPORT

RESTRICTED (Reclassify when filled out)

REPORT No.

XIII. MATERIAL DATA. (Comment freely on performance or suitability, following check list at left. Use additional sheets if necessary).

None

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

REPORT PREPARED BY:

HAROLD W. DAVID, Lt., A, USHR, RANK AND DUTY APPROVED BY:

M. C. HOFFMAN, Lt. Comdr., USN, SIGNATURE
COMPANDIAN

ALLSET - MFD. BY THE EGRY REGISTER CO., PATENTED RANK AND DUTY

DATE