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Brief of Mission	Inbound	9N-14-5	190240z	SR

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TELECON MSG FN-19-5 OPOP ~~TOP~~ SECRET

FROM: KISSNER, COMGENBOMCOM 21 190215Z

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TO : COMAF 20

INFO: DEPCOMAF 20 POA (SAME PRECEDENCE AS ACTION ADEE).

AIMCR 5745 SUBJECT: BRIEF OF MINING MISSION 24.

BRIEF OF MINING MISSION FOR NIGHT OF 19 JUNE. SHIMONOSEKI STRAITS, MIYAZU, MAIZURU AND NIIGATA ARE SCHEDULED TO BE MINED ON THE NIGHT OF 19 JUNE AT 191537Z, 191545Z AND 191454Z WITH 28 A/C DROPPING 256 MINES.

TARGET	FORCE	NO OF MINES.
FIELD M, SHIMONOSEKI STRAITS-WEST	10	90
FIELD Z, MIYAZU, MAIZURU	10	70
FIELD U, NIIGATA	8	96

ROUTES:

FIELD M: BASE, IWO, 3230N 13230E, 3344N 1314215E, 3425N 13108E (IP), TARGET, RIGHT TURN TO 15000 FT, 3353N 13026E, 3240N 13150E, IWO, BASE.

FIELD Z: BASE, IWO, 3416N 13645E, 350730N 1355630E, 353730N 1354830E (IP), TARGET RIGHT TURN TO 15000 FEET, 3536N 1352830E, 350730N 1355630E, 3416N 13645E, IWO, BASE.

FIELD U: BASE, IWO, 3630N 14100E, 374630N 13813E, 3805N 1381530E, 3805N 1383345E (IP), TGT, L[redacted] RIGHT TURN TO 15000 FT, 3759N 13913E, 3630N 14100E, IWO, BASE.

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GENERAL SCHEME OF ATTACK: BY INDIVIDUAL AIRCRAFT UNESCORTED AT NIGHT AT AN ALTITUDE OF 8000 FEET USING RADAR RELEASE.

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Ray G. Baker, Capt. A. C.

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Take Off Report	Telecon	AN-14-16	190954Z	EK
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TAKE OFF
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WCR V YAMF NR 20
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FROM: COMGENBOMCOM 21
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TO : COMAF 20
INFO : DEPCOMAF 20 (POA)(

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AIMCR 5764
SUBJECT: FIRST TAKE OFF REPORT ON MINING MISSION NR 24.

FIRST AIRCRAFT AIRBORNE AT 1908162

WEATHER EFPECTED:

BASE AT TAKEOFF: SCATTERED LOW AND MIDDLE CLOUDS WITH SHOWERS

ROUTE: TO 28 DEG NORTH: SCATTERED LOW, IDDLE AND HIGH CLOUDS.7 28

DEG NORTH TO 33 DEG NORTH: OVERCAST LOW, MIDDLE AND HIGH CLOUDS;

MODERATE RAIN AND RIME ICING. 33 DEG NORTH TO 38 DEG NORTH SCATTERED LOW, MIDDLE AND HIGH CLOUDS, TARGET NIIRATA 3/10 LOW CLOUD, BASE 2,000

FT, TOP 4,000 FT 1/10 HIGHCLOUD AT 29,000 FT WINDS AT 8,000 FT

190 DEG AT 25 KNOTS.

TARGET: MAIZURU 3/10 LOW CLOUD, BASE 2500 FT TOP 5000 FT; 2/10 HIGH CLOUDS AT 29000 FT; WINDS AT 8000 FT 150 DEG AT 20 KNOTS BASE ON RETURN

SCATTERED LOW AND MIDDLE CLOUDS.

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PASS TO COMAF 20 AS FN-19-16

FROM: BOMCOM XXI 190936Z

TO : COMAF 20

INFO: DEPCOMAF 20 (POA)

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AIMCR 5770 SUBJECT: TAKE OFF REPORT FOR MISSION NO. 213, TARGET

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SHIMONOSEKI STRAITS, NIIGAA

NIIGATA AND MIYAZU, FLOWN 19 JUNE 1945.

1. UNITS 313TH WING
2. A/C SCHDULED: 28
3. A/C AIRBORNE: 28

4. FIRST A/C OFF: 190816Z

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5. LAST A/C OFF: 190832Z
6 REMARKS: NONE
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ACTION:	C/S	DC/S Opr	DC/S TM&E	DC/S P&A	A-1	A-2	A-3 Tng	A-3 OC&R	A-4	A-5 Plans	Air Insp	PRO
	Comm.	Op Anal	Stat Con	Anti-Acft	FSO	A.G.	Surg					
INFORMATION:	C/S	DC/S Opr	DC/S TM&E	DC/S P&A	A-1	A-2	A-3 Tng	A-3 OC&R	A-4	A-5 Plans	Air Insp	PRO
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WCR V YAMF NR 2 OP OP SECRET

FROM: BOMCOM XXI

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TO : COMAF 20

INFO: DEPCOMAF 20 (POA) (PECEDENCE SAME AS ACTION)

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AIMCR 5788 SUBJECT: LANDING REPORT FOR MISSION NO. 213 TARGET SHIMONOSEKI STRAITS, NIIGAAXXXXX NIIGATA, AND MIYAZU, FLOWN 19 JUNE 1945.

1. UNIT: 313TH WING
2. LANDED HOME BASE: 28 (INCLUDES 2 LANDING IWO - PAR 3)
3. LANDED AWAY FROM BASE: 2 (IWO)
4. FIRST A/C LANDING: 192123Z
5. LAST A/C LANDING: 192355Z
6. MISSING: 0
7. EARLY RETURNS: 0

END

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TOD: 0226Z WL

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TOD : 200252Z DG

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TELECON MSG NO. FN-20-25

SUBJECT: Mission Summary for Mission No. 213, Flown 19 June 1945

DATE: 20 June 45

TO: COMAF 20
ACAS Intelligence

INFO: DEPCOMAF 20 FOA

FROM: COMGENBOMCOM 21

AIMCR 5841

MINING MISSION NO 24

1. Designation of Unit: 313th Wing, XXI Bomber Command.

2. Time of Take Off: 190816Z - 190832Z.

3. No. A/C Airborne: 28.

4. Mines Airborne: 112 Mark 25, 144 Mark 26-36.

5. Disposition of Mines Airborne:

A. Primary Fields		10 A/C Mike	8 A/C Uncle	10 A/C Zebra
Mark 25	X51-B8	14	0	0
	X31-B8	16	0	0
	X71-B8	5	0	0
	X11-B8	3	0	0
	X31-B8	0	0	6
	Q21-G8	0	0	7
	D11-B8	0	0	12
	N33-G8	0	0	5
	Q21-J8	0	0	8
	D13-J8	0	0	12
	N21-B8	0	0	8
	N23-J8	0	0	7
	D35-G8	0	0	1
	S31-G8	0	0	2
	D31-B8	0	0	1
	D21-B8	0	0	1
Mark 26-36	D31-B8	6	13	0
	Q21-A8	6	12	0
	D33-G8	5	0	0
	D11-B8	5	13	0
	D21-B8	4	1	0
	Q21-G8	5	12	0
	S31-J8	4	12	0
	D25-B8	1	4	0
	D41-B8	1	0	0

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TELECON MSG NO.: FN-20-25 (Cont'd)
SUBJECT:
DATE:
TO:
INFO:
FROM:

Primary Fields	10 A/C Mike	8 A/C Uncle	10 A/C Zebra
D33-B8	1	12	0
D25-J8	3	0	0
D15-L8	5	0	0
D15-B8	2	13	0
D43-B8	0	1	0
S41-G8	0	3	0

B. Alternate Field: None.

C. Jettisoned: 1 A/C, run No. 10, jettisoned 4 Mark 25 mines, 3 X31-B8 and 1 X11-B8 at 33/50 N 130/25 E due to rack malfunction. These mines have been subtracted from mines layed total.

6. No. A/C Failing to Mine: None.

7. Time of Attack: Force 1: 191532Z - 191618Z. Force 2: 191600Z - 191616Z. Force 3: 191413Z - 191544Z.

8. Altitude over Minefield: Force 1: 7,840 to 8,250 ft. Force 2: 7,960 to 8,600 ft. Force 3: 7,970 to 8,200 ft.

9. True Airspeed at Mine Release: Force 1: 224 to 230 knots. Force 2: 200 to 230 knots. Force 3: 218 to 228 knots.

10. Length of Mine Run: Force 1: 4 min 39 sec to 10 min 5 sec. Force 2: 6 min 15 sec to 10 min. Force 3: 4 min 30 sec to 8 min 30 sec.

11. Winds over Minefields: Force 1: 22 knots at 340 deg to 25 knots at 340 deg. Force 2: 25 knots at 178 deg to 15 knots at 195 deg. Force 3: 20 knots at 110 deg to 20 knots at 172 deg.

12. Clouds and Visibility: Force 1: 0/10, visibility 10 to 25 miles. Force 2: 0/10 to 8/10, visibility 2 to 10 miles. Force 3: 0/10 to 4/10, visibility 3 to 20 miles.

13. Time of Return: 192123Z - 192355Z.

14. No. A/C Lost: None.

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TO:

INFO:

FROM:

15. Personnel Casualties: None.

16. Enemy Air Opposition: Force 1: 1 unidentified E/A seen, no attack. Force 2: 4 unidentified E/A seen, no attack. Force 3: 1 unidentified E/A seen, no attack.

17. Enemy AA: Force 1: Only 2 crews reported heavy, meager and inaccurate flak. Force 2: 5 crews reported heavy, meager and inaccurate flak. Force 3: 8 crews reported heavy, meager and inaccurate flak.

18. Enemy RCM Noted and Effect: None.

19. Radar Scope Photos Obtained: Force 1: 52. Force 2: 55. Force 3: 56.

20. Observations: None.

21. Remarks: It is estimated that the mining operations on the night of 19 June further extended the life of the blockade of Shimonoseki Straits which has been in effect since 7 June against ships of 1,000 tons and over. Niigata, Miyazu and Maizuru were remined and are expected to remain blockaded for a few days. All mines will remain active and continue to harass shipping for several weeks.

Please pass this information to CNO, Washington.

End...

TOD: 210327Z

DIST — ACTION: None

INFO: C/S, DC/OPRS, DC/S P&A, DC/S TME, DC/S Opr (4), General Hodges, Gen Wilson, Gen Bissell, Capt Stroop, Stat Control (1)

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