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FROM: KISSNER COMGENBOMCOM 21 200724Z [redacted] TOP SECRET

TO: COMAF 20

INFO: DEPCOMAF 20 POA

FN-20-08

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AIMCR 5811 SUBJECT: BRIEF OF MINING MISSION 25

BRIEF OF MINING MISSION FOR NIGHT OF 21 JUNE. OURA, SENZAKI, NANAO, FUSHIKI AND OSAKA ARE SCHEDULED TO BE MINED ON THE NIGHT OF 21 JUNE AT 211531, 211510 AND 211451Z WITH 30 AIRCRAFT DROPP NG 320 MINES.

TARGET	FORCE	NO OF MINES
FIELD X: OURA, SENZAKI	10	80
FIELD N: NANAO, FUSHIKI	12	144
FIELD A: OSAKA	8	96

TOP SECRET [redacted] Changed to SECRET 5-8-46 By Authority of C. G. AAF, by Ray G. Baker, Capt. A. G.

ROUTES:

FIELD X: BASE, IWO, 3230N 13230E, 3344N 1314215E, 44630N 13110E (IP), TARGET, LEFT TURN TO 11,000 FT, 3344N 1314215E, 3230N 13230E,IWO, BASE.

FIELD NGC BASE, IWO, 3440N 14000E, 3515N 139103, 372030N 13716E (IP), TARGET, RIGHT TURN TO 15,000 FT, 3645N 13650E, 3439N 13801E, IWO, BASE.

FIELD A: BASE, IWO, 3030N 13450E, 341640N 13500E (IP), TARGET, RIGHT TURN TO 11000 FT, 3439N 1352630E, IWO, BASE.

GENERAL SCHEME OF ATTACK: BY INDIVIDUAL AIRCRAFT UNESCORTED AT NIGHT AT AN ALTITUDE OF 6500 FT AND 8000 FT USING RADAR RELEASE.

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OOD: 200835Z CB

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WCR V YAMF NR40 OPOP SECRET

T - COMAF 20 (AS FN-21-16)

FROM BOMCOM XXI 211125Z

TO COMAF 20

INFO DEPCOMAF 20 (POA)

GR-25

AIMCR 5880 SUBJECT: TAKE OFF REPORT, FOR MISSION 214 TARGET OURA, SENSAKI, NANAO, OSAKA FLOWN 21 JUNE 45.

1. UNIT: 313 WING
2. A/C SCHEDULED: 30
3. A/C AIRBORNE: 30
4. TAKE OFF FIRST: 210801Z
5. TAKE OFF LAST: 210849Z
6. EARLY RETURNS: 1

.END.

C/WW

TOD.1224Z RH
ROGER 1224Z WCR

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ORIGINATOR OF MESSAGE _____

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ACTION	C/S	DC/S TM&E	DC/S P&A	A-1	A-3 Tng	A-3 OC&R	A-4	A-5 Plans		
	A.G.	Surg	Air Insp.	PRO	Comm.	Op Anal.	Stat Con.	FSO		
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WCR V YAMF NR35 OP OP ECRET

TO WCR AS F" FN-21-12

FROM: KISSNER COMGENBOMCOM XXI 210940Z

TO: COMAF 20

INFO: DEPCOMAF20(POA)

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SUBJECT: FIRST TAKE OFF REPORT ON MINING MISSION NR 25.

FIRST AIRCRAFT AIRBORNE AT 210801;".

WEATHERED EXPECTD:

BASE AT TAKEOFF: BROKEN LOW ND MIDDLE CLOUDS, SCATTERED HIGH CLOUDS, SHOWERS.

ROUTETO TARGET: TO 29 DEG NORTH: SCATTERED TO BROKEN LOW, MIDDLE AND HIGH CLOUDS.

TO 37 NORTH 137.1EAST

29 DG NORTH TO 31 DEG NORTH OVERCAST LOW, MIDDLE AND HIGH CLOUDS; HEAVY RAIN.

31 DEG NORTH TO 32 DEG NORTH BROKEN LOW; OVERCAST MIDDLE AND HIGH CLOUDS.

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32 DEG NORTH TO TARGET: SCATTERD LOW AND BROKEN HIGH CLOUDS.

TO 34 DEG NORTH 131.2 EAST AND 34 DEG NORTH 130 DEG EAST 29 DEG NORTH TO 30
EG NORTH: BROKEN TO OVERCAST LOW, MIDDLE AND HIGH CLOUDS;

MODERATE SHOWERS

30 DEG NORTH TO TARGET SCATTERED LOW AND HIGH CLOUDS.

TARGETGC 34 DEG NORTH 131.2 EAST AND 34 DEG NORTH 130 EAST: 3/10 LOW CLOUD, BASE 2,000 FT, TOP 6,000 FT; 3/10 HIGH CLOUD AT ~~GEPNPPP~~ 30,000 FT; VISIBILITY 12 MILES; WINDS AT 6,500 FT WILL BE 300 DEG AT 18 KNOTS.

37 DEG NORTH GQEUMQ EAST: 4/10 LOW CLOUD, BASE 2,000 FTGN TOP 6,000 FT; 6/10 HIGH CLOU
AT 30,000 FT; VISIBILITY 13 MILES, WINDS AT

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8,000 FT WILL BE 280 DEG AT GWE KNOTS.

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ROGER 1034Z WCR

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WCR V YAMF NR 8 OPOP SECRET

T - WCR AS FN-22-7

FROM COMGENBOMCOM 21 220212Z

TO COMAF 20

INFO DEPCOMAF 20 (POA)

IMCR 5919; ~~7213:5:~~ SUBJECT LANDIDNG REPORT, MISSION 214, MINING MISSION 25 FLOWN 21 JUNE 1945.

1. UNIT: 313TH BOMWG
2. LANDED HOME BASE: 28
3. AWAY FROM BASE: 2
4. FIRST A/C: 212027Z
5. LAST A/C: 220002Z
6. MISSING: NIL
7. EARLY RETURNS: 3.

END

TOD 2202222Z FER

ROGER 220222Z RET

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TOD 220224Z PA

ROGER 220224Z WCR

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Info to DAS	typed	—	22 June		EK
Mission Summary	Idem	FN 22-31		22/7/73	EK
Correction to Summary	"	FN24-1		24 June	BGK

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FN-24-1	Correction to Mission Summary for Mission No. 214, Flown 21 June 1945	24 June 45

TO:	INFO:	FROM:
COLAF 20	DEPCOMAF 20 FOA ACAS Intelligence	COMGENBOMCOM 21

240002

AMCR 6010

1. Par. 4: No of Mark 26-36 mines airborne should read 264.

2. Par. 5 B: Run Number 7 dropped mines at 33/03 N 131/58 E. Run No. 23 mined at 34/01 N 133/29 E.

End...
TOD: 240025Z

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DIST	ACTION	INFO
	DC/S Opr (8)	C/S - DC/OPRS - DC/S P&A - DC/S TME General Moreland, Hodges, (2); Wilson, Bissell, Capt Stroop; Stat Control

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TELECON MSG NO. FH-22-31

SUBJECT: Mission Summary for Mission No. 214, Flown 21 June 45
Mining Mission No. 25

DATE: 22 June 1945

TO: COMAF 20

INFO: DEPCOMAF 20 POA
ACAS INTELLIGENCE

FROM: COMGENBOMCOM 21

AIMCR 5957 221717Z

1. Designation of Unit: 313th Wing, XXI Bomber Command.
2. Time of take off: 210801Z - 210822Z.
3. No. A/C airborne: 30
4. No. mines airborne: 56 Mark 25 and 164 mark 26-36.
5. Disposition of mines airborne:
   A. Primary fields:

		9 A/C X	10 A/C N	6 A/C A
Mark 25	X11-B8	8	0	0
	V11-G8	7	0	0
	X31-B8	13	0	0
	X51-B8	10	0	0
	X71-B8	11	0	0
	V21-B8	7	0	0
Mark 26-36	D11-B8	5	16	10
	D15-B8	2	15	8
	Q21-C8	2	11	8
	Q21-A8	1	9	6
	D33-B8	1	11	7
	S31-J8	1	10	6
	D26-B8	0	6	4
	D31-B8	0	14	9
	D21-B8	0	7	3
	D33-C8	0	11	4
	D25-J8	0	4	2
	Q21-B8	0	1	0
	S41-G8	0	1	0
	D41-B8	0	2	0
	D43-B8	0	1	0
	D43-C8	0	1	0
	D15-I8	0	0	2

   B. Alternate fields: 2 A/C, run No. 7 and run No. 23.

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FN-22-31	Mining Mission 25(Continued)	22 June 45

TO:	INFO:	FROM:

Mark 26-36	1 A/C	1 A/C
D11-B8	2	2
D15-B8	1	1
Q21-G8	1	1
Q21-A8	2	1
D33-B8	1	1
S31-J8	2	1
D25-B8	1	1
D31-B8	2	1
D21-B8	0	1
D15-L8	0	1
S41-G8	0	1

C. Jettisoned: 3 A/C; Run No. 11 at 14/50 N 146/00 E; Run No. 19 at 15/00 N 146/16 E; and Run No. 30 at 17/44 N 145/32 E.

Mark 26-36	Run No. 11	Run No. 19	Run No. 30
D11-B8	2	1	2
D31-B8	3	2	2
Q21-A8	1	1	1
D15-B8	2	0	1
D21-B8	1	2	1
Q21-G8	1	0	2
S31-J8	1	2	1
D33-G8	1	1	0
D33-B8	0	1	1
D25-B8	0	1	0
S41-G8	0	1	0
D25-J8	0	0	1

6. No. A/C failing to mine and reasons: 3 A/C mechanical.
7. Time of attack: Force 1: 211448Z to 211639Z. Force 2: 211536Z to 211615Z. Force 3: 211455Z to 211540Z.
8. Altitude over minefield: Force 1: 6,300 to 6,670 feet. Force 2: 8,000 to 8,400 feet. Force 3: 6,600 to 6,800 feet.
9. True air speed at mine release: Force 1: 184 to 231 knots. Force 2: 228 to 230 knots. Force 3: 212 to 241 knots.

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FN-22-31	Mining Mission 25	22 June 45

TO:	INFO:	FROM:

10. Length of mine run: Force 1: 4 min 10 sec to 10 min. Force 2: 4 min to 9 min 15 sec. Force 3: 4 min 20 sec to 15 min.

11. Wind reported over minefield: Force 1: 19 knots at 298 deg to 27 knots at 240 deg. Force 2: 22 knots at 230 deg to 28 knots at 298 deg. Force 3: 22 knots at 308 deg to 30 knots at 360 deg.

12. Clouds and visibility: Force 1: 0/10 to 2/10, 15 to 27 miles. Force 2: 0/10 to 10/10, nil to 20 miles. Force 3: 3/10 to 10/10, nil to 15 miles.

13. Time of return: Force 1: 212109Z to 220002Z. Force 2: 212162Z to 212320Z. Force 3: 212027Z to 212209Z.

14. No. A/C lost: None

15. Personnel casualties: None.
16. Enemy air opposition: None
17. Enemy AA: Force 1: 1 crew reported medium and light, meager and inaccurate fire. Force 2: None. Force 3: 4 crews report heavy meager and inaccurate fire.
18. Enemy RCM noted and effect: None
19. Radar scope photos obtained: Force 1: 53. Force 2: 41. Force 3: 18.
20. Observations: None
21. Remarks: Force 3 reported that shore batteries used lights to spot location that mines went into water. Remining Fushiki and Nanao is expected to close these ports for three to four days! New minefields laid at Yuga Wan and Senzaki Wan established attrition minefields at these diversionary anchorages against shipping found there by recent reconnaissance.
Please pass this information to CNO, Washington.

...End...
TOD 221950Z

DIST ACTION: C/S - DC/OPRS (2) - DC/S P&A - DC/S TME
INFO: Gen. Norstad, Gen. Hodges (2); Gen. Wilson; Gen. Bissell, Capt. Stroop; Stat Con

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REPORT OF XXI BOMBER COMMAND

OPERATION NO. 214 - 21 June 1945
Date

MINING SUMMARY

Targets ~~Bombed~~ Mined.: Total A/C ~~Bombing~~ Mining: 27

Oura, Senzaki 9

Nanao, Fushiki 10

Osaka 6

Other Targets 2

Time Over Target: 212348 - 220139 Theater Time

~~Bomb~~ Mine Tons Laid.: 169.5 tons.

~~Results~~:

Tactics: Night mining by individual a/c from an altitude of 6,300 to 8,400 ft.

A/C Lost or Missing: None

Weather: 0/10 to 10/10 cloud. Visibility - nil to 27 miles.

Fighter Opposition: None.

Flak: Oura, Senzaki - medium and light caliber, meager and inaccurate fire.
Nanao, Senzaki - None
Osaka - heavy, meagre and inaccurate fire.

Claims:

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Observations: _____

Fighter Support: _____

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B Miscellaneous

TELECON MSG NO.	SUBJECT	DATE
FM-23-3	Preliminary Mission Weather Summary for Mission 214 to Shimonoseki, Osaka Area, and Toyama on 21-22 June	23 June 45

TO:	INFO:	FROM:
COMAF 20	DEPCOMAF 20 POA BOMBWG 58, 73, 313, 314, 315 Attn: A-2's	COMCENBOMBSQ 21

AIMCR 6969

230324Z

Base on take off: 4/10 low cloud, base 2000 ft.

Route outgoing: To 23N: 7/10 low cloud, top 6-15,000 ft; 8-10/10 middle clouds in layers between 10,000 and 21,000 ft; visibility 15 miles lowering to 2 miles in moderate showers. 23N to 26N: 10/10 low clouds, top 6-8,000 ft with occasional tops to 22,000 ft; 10/10 middle clouds in layers between 10,000 and 22,000 ft; visibility 15 miles lowering to zero in heavy rain. Light clear icing: mod turbulence. 26N to target areas: 5-7/10 low clouds, top 5000 ft; 8/10 becoming 5/10 middle cloud, base 12,000 ft, top 13,000 ft; 1/10 high cloud at 25,000 ft.

Target: Shimonoseki: 1/10 low cloud, top 6000 ft; 5/10 high cloud at 25,000 ft; visibility 12 miles in haze; winds at 6000 ft were 290 degrees at 20 knots. Osaka area: 3/10 low cloud, base 2000 ft; top 4000 ft; 3/10 high cloud, base 25,000 ft; 10/10 clouds obscured target. Toyama: 10/10 middle cloud, base 8000 ft; top 13,000 ft; 3/10 high cloud at 25,000 ft. Visibility 15 miles.

Route returning: Same as route outgoing.

Base on return: 2/10 low cloud, base 2000 ft.

End...
TOD: 230455Z

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DIST	ACTION	INFO
	DC/S Opr (2)	C/S - DC/OPRS - DC/S P&A - DC/S TME A-2 (16); A-3 OC&R (7); A-5 Plans (2); Op Anal; SCO (2); AA; A-2 Col. Div.

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