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I. GENERAL

## AIRCRAFT ACTION REPORT

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VI. LOS	S OR DAM	AGE, COMBAT OR OPERATIONA	L, OF OWIT AIRCRAIT (OF the	(e)
(a) TYPE OWN A/C	(b) SQUADRON	CAUSE: TYPE ENEMY A/C, TYPE GUN, OR OPERATIONAL CAUSE	(d) WHERE HIT, ANGLE (List armor, self-sealing tanks, equipment hit)	(Give Bureau serial number of planes destroyed)
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(b) SQUADRON	ONNEL CASUALTIES (in aircraft listed  (c)  NAME, RANK OR RATING	(d) CAUSE	CONDITION OR STATUS
	None		
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VIII	RANGE.	FUEL, AN	D AMMUNI	TION DAT	A FOR PLAN	IES RETU	IRNING	UTION EVDEN	IDED	(h)
			(d)	(e)	(1)	(g)	TOTAL AMMUN	VILION EXPER		NO. OF PLANES RETURNING
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IX. ENEMY ANTI-AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERED (Chec	K OHE DIOCK OH	T MEACED	MODERATE	INTENSE
CALIBER	NONE	MEAGER	THODERVIL	
EAVY — Time-fused shells, 75mm and over	***			
EDIUM — Impact-fused shells, 20mm-50mm				
LIGHT — Machine gun bullets, 6.5mm-13.2mm	72			

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

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SPEED, CLIMB,	
at various altitudes	
TURNS	
DIVES	
CEILINGS	
RANGE	
PROTECTION	
ARMAMENT	

No enemy Alreraft Observed.

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(OMIT THIS SHEET IF NO ATTACK WAS MADE)



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) Target(s) and Location	(s) Bomb St	OTTO TO TOS	VES (By Own Aircraft L	e Over Target(s)	1400 M (Zone)
:) Clouds Over Target	, T	(BASE IN FEET.	TYPE AND TENTHS OF COVER)		er 30 Miles
(1) Visibility of Target		Y. PARTIALLY OBSCURED	BY CLOUDS, ETC.	ht Used	
Bombing Tactics: Type Bombs Dropped per Run	6 Planes/	3 Bombacing_		itude of Bomb Rele	ease 2000 Ft.  (FEET)  Damaged
Number of Enemy Airce  (h)  AIMING POINT		(j) NO. A/C ATTACKING (k) SQUADRON	BOMBS AND AMMUNITIC EXPENDED, EACH AIMING P	(m)	DAMAGE (None, slight, serious, destroyed or sunk)
Bomb Storage rea, East Tip	100°x40°	6-F4U-1D VMF-155	Six Planes: 18-500# SAP 6000 rounds .50	Nine Cal.	Serious
Bokuriguriku s., Mille Atoll			Ammunition	Numero	us Slight
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(0) 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).

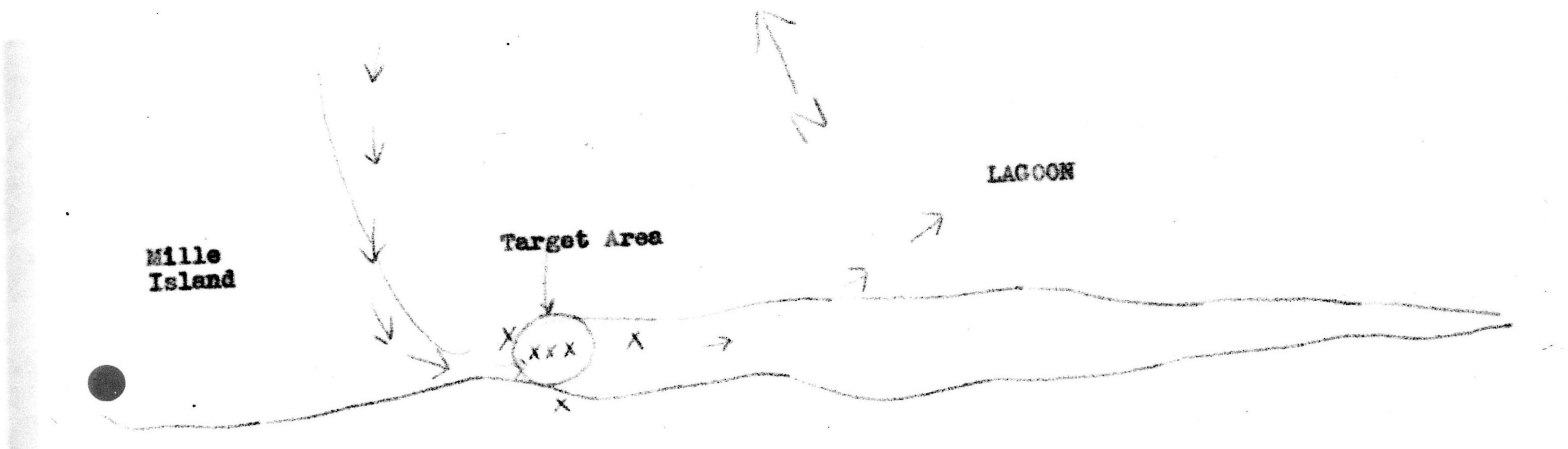
(18) bombs hit in the target area. Six 6 bombs hit on land, three (3) of these bombs were short and three (3) were over the target approximately fifty feet. Three (3) bombs were to the right of the target in the ocean.

83% of the bombs hit on land and 50% were in the target area.

Six thousand rounds of 50 cal. amounition were expended on the same target in two strafling runs. Numerous hits were scored with no visible results.

Diagrams are attached.

<sup>(</sup>p) Were Photographs Taken? Yes Photographs of Damage, When Taken, Should Be Attached By Staple.



Bombing run.
Salvo of 3 Bombs.

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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

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 , Enemy Defensive Tactics, Own " , Enemy Flexible Gunnery, Own Escort Tactics Fighter Direction Use of Radar

#### ATTACK

OWN TACTICS

Night Fighting

Recognition, Aircraft

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

Six fighters of this command took off at 1315 M. for a strike at a bomb storage area, reported by POW's to be located at eastern extrmity of Bokuriguriku Island, Mille Atoll. The planes joined up in a ruming rendezvous and headed on direct course for the target atoll. Power settings of 2100 RPMs and 32 inches were used enroute to maintain an average IAS of 145 knots while reaching 10000 feet.

The approach was made from the north, paralled to the western fringe of the atoll and over the lagoon. The planes dove from a left hand turn at 10000 feet, putting wheels down just as they entered the dive. Bombs were released at 2000 feet and recoveries were over the Lagoon at above 1000 feet. Two pilots, on their first strike, failed to turn on the master arming switch and made a second run

similar to the first. The planes then joined up five miles east of the target island at 2000 feet, then climbed to 6000 feet and made two strafing runs over the target. The runs were made from west to east following the general path of the bombing runs. After the second strafing attack the planes joined up in a running rendezvous and returned to the base without incident.

Pilots participating in the strike were:

Cargille, ... H., lajor, Will Todd, T. A., Major, Chamberlain, J. F. 2dLt., Us Car IS UR Pritchatt, J. E., 2dLt., US. CR Smith, E. F., 2dLt., USLAR Matas, T. F., 2dLt.,

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

In all respects all material functioned satisfactorily.

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

#### EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT

Parachutes Safety Belts Emergency Kits Rations, First Aid

#### NAVIGATIONAL EQUIPMENT

Automatic Pilots

Flight

CAMOUFLAGE AND DECEPTION DEVICES

#### STRUCTURE

Control Surfaces Control System Dive Flaps Landing Gear Heating System Flight Characteristics At Various Loadings

#### POWER PLANT

Engines Propellers Starters

### ELECTRICAL SYSTEM

Auxiliary Plant Lights

#### FUEL SYSTEM

FLIGHT CLOTHING

### MAINTENANCE

### BASE FACILITIES

Plane Serving Equipment Personnel Facilities REPORT PREPARED BY:

APPRONED BY:

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Leak Proofing

Life Belts, Life Rafts

Compasses Driftsights Octants Charts Field Lighting

INSTRUMENTS

Power Plant

OXYGEN SYSTEM

Airframe

Engine Accessories Lubricating System Exhaust Dampers

HYDRAULIC SYSTEM

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