

VMB-433

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Report # 135

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AIRCRAFT ACTION REPORT

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RESTRICTED
(Reclassify when
filled out)

I. GENERAL

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(a) Unit Reporting VMB-433 (b) Based on or at Entrau Island (c) Report No. 135
 (d) Take off: Date 27 March, 1945 Time (LZT) 1418 L (Zone); Lat. 01 36' S Long 150 00' E
 (e) Mission Primary NAB Ballum Bridge - Hit Lossuk Bridge, N.I. Secondary (f) Time of Return 1715 L (Zone)

II. OWN AIRCRAFT OFFICIALLY COVERED BY THIS REPORT.

| TYPE (a) | SQUADRON (b) | NUMBER | | | BOMBS AND TORPEDOES CARRIED (PER PLANE) (f) | FUZE, SETTING (g) |
|--------------|-----------------|----------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|---|----------------------------|
| | | TAKING OFF (c) | ENGAGING ENEMY A/C (d) | ATTACKING TARGET (e) | | |
| <u>PBJ-1</u> | <u>VMB-433</u> | <u>6</u> | <u>N11</u> | <u>4</u> | <u>1 x 2000 GP AN-M34</u> | <u>AN-M-103 Inst. Fuse</u> |

III. OTHER U. S. OR ALLIED AIRCRAFT EMPLOYED IN THIS OPERATION.

| TYPE | SQUADRON | NUMBER | BASE | TYPE | SQUADRON | NUMBER | BASE |
|------------|----------|--------|------|------|----------|--------|------|
| <u>N11</u> | | | | | | | |

IV. ENEMY AIRCRAFT OBSERVED OR ENGAGED (By Own Aircraft Listed in II Only).

| (a) TYPE | (b) NO OBSERVED | (c) NO. ENGAGING OWN A/C | (d) TIME ENCOUNTERED | (e) LOCATION OF ENCOUNTER | (f) BOMBS, TORPEDOES CARRIED, GUNS OBSERVED | (g) CAMOUFLAGE AND MARKING |
|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------|---|----------------------------------|
| <u>N11</u> | | | (ZONE) | | | |
| | | | (ZONE) | | | |
| | | | (ZONE) | | | |

(h) Apparent Enemy Mission(s) N11
 Did Any Part of
 (i) Encounter(s) Occur in Clouds? _____ If so, Describe Clouds _____
(YES OR NO) (BASE IN FEET, TYPE AND TENTHS OF COVER)
 Time of Day and Brilliance
 (j) of Sun or Moon _____ (k) Visibility _____
(NIGHT, BRIGHT MOON; DAY, OVERCAST, ETC.) (MILES)

V. ENEMY AIRCRAFT DESTROYED OR DAMAGED IN AIR (By Own Aircraft Listed in II Only).

| (a) TYPE ENEMY A/C | (b) DESTROYED OR DAMAGED BY: | | | | (c) WHERE HIT, ANGLE | (d) DAMAGE CLAIMED |
|--------------------------|------------------------------|----------|-----------------|-----------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| | TYPE A/C | SQUADRON | PILOT OR GUNNER | GUNS USED | | |
| <u>N11</u> | | | | | | |
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(OMIT THIS SHEET IF NO ATTACK WAS MADE)

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XI. ATTACK ON ENEMY SHIPS OR GROUND OBJECTIVES (By Own Aircraft Listed in II Only).

- (a) Target(s) and Location(s) **Lossuk Bridge, N.I.** (b) Time Over Target(s) **1640 L** (Zone)
(FOR SHIPS INCLUDE ALL IN AREA UNDER ATTACK)
- (c) Clouds Over Target **4 cu bases 3000' tops 5000' .9 AS at 18,000'**
(BASE IN FEET, TYPE AND TENTHS OF COVER)
- (d) Visibility of Target **clear** (e) Visibility **15**
(CLEAR, HAZY, PARTIALLY OBSCURED BY CLOUDS, ETC.) (MILES)
- (f) Bombing Tactics: Type **level** Bomb Sight Used **M-15**
(LEVEL, GLIDE OR DIVE) (TYPE)
- Bombs Dropped per Run **all** Spacing **Nil** Altitude of Bomb Release **9700'**
(NUMBER) (FEET)
- (g) Number of Enemy Aircraft Hit on Ground: Destroyed **Nil** Probably Destroyed **Nil** Damaged **Nil**

| (h) AIMING POINT | (i) DIMENSIONS OR TONNAGE | (j) NO. A/C ATTACKING (k) SQUADRON | (l) BOMBS AND AMMUNITION EXPENDED EACH AIMING POINT | (m) NO. HITS ON Aiming Point | (n) DAMAGE (None, slight, severe, destroyed or sunk) |
|---------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|---|
| 1 Lossuk Bridge | 75' x 15' | 4 VMB-433 | 4 x 2000 GP | | See Below |
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(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.)

**4 x 2000 GP fell 100 yards west of the bridge in wooded area.
2 x 2000 GP hung and were later jettisoned over water.**

(p) Were Photographs Taken? **No** Photographs of Damage, When Taken, Should Be Attached By Staple

