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Mission #56 Nakajima A/C Plt., FURIOUS 1
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Brief of F.O.	Telecon	FN-03-6		0309Z42	MJ.

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Telecon Message FN-03-6 OP Top Secret 030759Z

From: BomCom XXI
To: ComAf 20
Info: DepComAf 20 (POA)

Subject: Brief of Modeller No. o, Furious No. 1 and Upcast No. 1 Joint Wing Operation

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

B. FURIOUS NO. 1: APPROX 80 B-29'S OF 313TH BOMB WING ARE SCHEDULED TO ATTACK FURIOUS NO. 1 ON NIGHT OF 3/4 APRIL. ROUTE: TINIAN TO IWO TO 3509N - 14019E TO 3602N - 14024E TO 3604N - 14013E (IP) TO TARGET TO 3622N - 13926E TO 3556N - 14108E TO TINIAN. ALTITUDE ENROUTE OUT: 5000 FEET TO 5500 FEET OUT OR 500FEET ON TOP. ALTITUDE AND AXIS OF ATTACK: 7000 TO 7800 FEET ON 284 DEGREES TRUE. MPI IS 073023 XXI BOMCOM LITHO-MOSAIC 90.17-1544. TIME OVER TARGET IS 031720Z, TIME OF TAKE OFF IS 030540Z AND TIME OF RETURN IS 040020Z. LIGHTING OF TARGET WILL BE BY FLARES, 8 A/C COMPRISING THE FLARE FORCE WILL CARRY 40 ANM-26 FLARES EACH. FIRST FLARE AIRCRAFT WILL DROP FLARES TARGET TIME MINUS 3 MINUTES AND AT 2 MINUTE INTERVALS THEREAFTER. BOMB LOADING: MINIMUM OF 31 X 500 GP'S FOR MAIN FORCE. FUSING: 500 LB GP'S 1/100 NOSE, NON-DELAY TAIL. FLARES TO LIGHT AT 3000 FEET. 16 A/C WILL CARRY 1 M-46 PHOTO FLASH BOMB AND K-18B CAMERA.

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First Take-off	Telecon	FN-03-17		031101Z	NS
Take-off Report	Telecon	FN-03-21		031336Z	NS

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TELECON MESSAGE FN-Ø3-22 OP OP SECRET Ø31205Z

FROM: BOMCOM XXI

TO : COMAF 2Ø INFO: DEPCOMAF 2Ø (POA)

GR.19

SUBJECT: TAKE OFF REPORT FOR FURIOUS ONE, MISSION 56, 3 APRIL 1945.

1. WING: 313TH

2. A/C SCHEDULED: 81.

3. A/C AIRBORNE: 78.

4. FIRST A/C Ø3Ø939Z.

5. LAST A/C Ø31Ø32Z.

END.

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TOD:Ø31336Z
ROGER FN-Ø3-22 1336Z WCR

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WASHINGTON PARTIES

KHARAGPUR - HONOLULU - GUAM PARTIES

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TELECON MESSAGE FN-03-17 OP [illegible]ET 031030Z

FROM: XXI BOM COM
TO : COM AF 20

INFO: DEP COM AF 20 (POA)

SUBJECT: FIRST TAKE OFF FOR FURIOUS ONE

1. FIRST AIRCRAFT AIRBORNE AT 030939Z.
BASES AT TAKEOFF: 6/10 LOW CLOUD WITH INFREQUENT LIGHT TO MODERATE SHOWERS. ROUTE TO TARGET: VARIABLE 5 TO 9/10 LOW CLOUD WITH SHOWERS,

LIGHT TO MODERATE TURBULENCE AND TOPS OF 1/2 OF CAOUD TO 14,000 FT.

IN ZONE FROM 22 TO 27 DEG N. OTHERWISE TOPS NEAR 6000 FT., MIDDLE CLOUD THIN AND WELL BROKEN EXCEPT IN SHOWER ZONE WHERE LAYERED FROM 10,000 FEET TO 20,000 FT., THINNING TO SMALL AMOUNTS NORTH OF 33 DEG. N.

TARGETS: 2/10 LOW CLOUD, NO MIDDLE CLOUD, 7/10 HIGH CLOUD

VISIBILITY 8 MILES IN LIGHT HAZE. BASES ON RETURN: 4 TO 6/10 LOA CLOUD WITH SCATTERED MIDDLE CLOUD, NO SHOWERS.
THIS MESSAGE DISPATCHED FROM THE CONTROL ROOM AT 031030Z.
END.
TOD:031101Z
ROGER FN-03-17 1101Z WCR

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ORIGINATOR OF MESSAGE _____

DISTRIBUTION

ACTION	C/S	DC/S Opr	DC/S Adm	A-1	A-2	A-3	Tng	A-3 OC&R	A-4	A-5Plans
	A.G.	Surg	Air Insp	PRO	Comm Op	Anal	Stat Con			
INFORMATION	C/S	DC/S Opr	DC/S Adm	A-1	A-2	A-3	Tng	A-3 OC&R	A-4	A-5Plans
	A.G.	Surg	Air Insp	PRO	Comm. Op	Anal	Stat Con			

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Front Bombs Away	Telecon	FN-03-26		031632Z	NJ
Consolidated B. A.	Telecon	FN-03-29		031951Z	NJ
Additional B. A.	Telecon	FN-03-32		032030Z	NJ
Return Report	Telecon	FN-04-4		040447Z	NJ

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WASHINGTON PARTIES

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TELECON MESSAGE FN-Ø4-4 (SECRET) Ø4Ø251Z (OPERATIONAL-PRIORITY)

FROM: COMGENBOMCOM21 TO: COMAF2Ø

SECRET

INFO: DEPCOMAF2Ø(POA)

(GR27)

SUBJECT: RETURN REPORT FOR UPCAST ONE, MISSION 55, 3 APRIL 1945.

XXI BOMBER COMMAND

1. WING: 314

2. AIRBORNE: 49

3. LANDED HOME BASE: 48

4. LANDED AWAY FROM BASE: 1 (GUAM - DEPOT FIELD)

5. FIRST A/C: Ø32353Z

LAST A/C: Ø4Ø22ØZ

6. EARLY RETURNS: 1

7. MISSING NONE

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END

SECRET

TOD:Ø4Ø4Ø4447Z FER

(KC)
ROGER TELECON MESSAGE FN-Ø4-4 Ø4Ø4Ø447Z WCR

ORIGINATOR OF MESSAGE _____

DISTRIBUTION

ACTION	C/S	DC/S Opr	DC/S Adm	A-1	A-2	A-3 Tng	A-3 OC&R	A-4	A-5 Plans
	A.G.	Surg	Air Insp	PRO	Comm Op Anal		Stat Con		
INFORMATION	C/S	DC/S Opr	DC/S Adm	A-1	A-2	A-3 Tng	A-3 OC&R	A-4	A-5 Plans
	A.G.	Surg	Air Insp	PRO	Comm. Op Anal		Stat Con		

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TELECON MESSAGE FN-Ø3-32 OP SECRET Ø32Ø25Z

FROM: BOMCOM XXI

TO : COMAF 2Ø

INFO: DEPCOMAF 2Ø (POA)

GR33

SUBJECT: ADDITIONAL BOMBS AWAY FOR FURIOUS ONE, MISSION 56, 3 APRIL 19

1. 2 A/C REPORTED BOMBS AWAY.

2. 2 A/C BOMBED PRIMARY BY RADAR WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

NOTE: ONLY ONE A/C PER SQUADRON REPORTING BOMBS AWAY.

...END..

TOD Ø32Ø3ØZ DM

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60 — 7 carbons returned
20
80 — 1

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TELECON MSG FN-03-29 OP OP SECRET 031903Z

FROM: BOMCOM XXI

TO : COMAF 20

SECRET

INFO: DEPCOM AF 20

GR75BT

SUBJECT: CONSOLIDATED BOMBS AWAY FOR FURIOUS ONE, MISSION 56, 3 APRIL 1945.

1. 6 A/C REPORTED BOMBS AWAY.
2. 3 A/C BOMBED PRIMARY BY RADAR WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.
3. 2 A/C BOMBED SECONDARY BY RADAR WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.
4. 1 A/C BOMBED PRIMARY BY RADAR WITH GOOD RESULTS.
5. 1 A/C RETURNED EARLY.

NOTE: ONLY ONE A/C PER SQUADRON REPORTING BOMBS AWAY. THIS REPORT FRAGMENTARY AND SUBJECT TO CORRECTION. FURTHER INFORMATION WILL FOLLOW UPON RECEIPT.

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TOD 03194//// 031951Z DM
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CONFERENCE 040317227
PRESENT: LT. D.G. LAUGHREY
SUBJECT: SPECIAL CONFERENCE

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TELECON MSG FN-03-26 OPERATIONAL PRIORITY SECRET 031658Z

FROM BOMCOM XXI

TO COMAF 20

SECRET

INFO: DEPCOMAF 20 (POA)

GR18 BT

SUBJECT: FIRST BOMBS AWAY REPORT ON FURIOUS ONE.

FIRST AIRCRAFT BOMBED PRIMARY TARGET BY RADAR WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS AT 031632Z.

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TOD 1724Z DM

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Rad. Mission Report	Teleron	FIV-04-10		040907Z	[illegible]
Briefer Report	Ditto		040745		[illegible]
Rad. Mis. Report	"				[illegible]

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Washington, D. C.

PRELIMINARY MISSION REPORT OF XXI BOMBER COMMAND

OPERATION NO. 56 - 4 APRIL 1945

"FURIOUS 1"

Targets: Primary - Nakajima A/C Plant, Koizumi, Honshu, Japan
Secondary - Urban Area, Tokyo

Take-off: 030539 - 030632 Washington; (030939Z - 031032Z)

Time Over Target: 031212 - 031344 Washington; 040112 - 040244 Theatre; (031612Z - 031744Z)

Aircraft: Total Bombing 62[illegible]
Primary 42
Secondary 20

A/C Lost or Missing: None

Casualties: None

Bomb Load: Approximately 6½ tons per a/c. Main force carried 500 lb. GP's; 6 a/c carried 34 ANM-26 flares per a/c fused to light at 3000 ft.

Tactics: Night bombing by radar from an altitude of 7000 to 7800 ft. Flare force lighted target beginning at H-3, and at 2 minute intervals thereafter.

Weather: 10/10 overcast and undercast. Wind 270 deg. at 28 knots.

Fighter Opposition: 36 enemy a/c sighted - 4 attacks made.

Flak: Heavy and light - meager and inaccurate. Moderate and accurate fire from flak ship over Chosi Pt.

Claims: None

Observations: Fire seen near Chosi Pt. Fires and explosions near Musashino A/C Plant. 19 ships observed by radar: 3 on E shore of Tokyo Bay; 5 E of Chosi Pt.; and 8 S of Kikura Jima. 7 S/L's seen at 35/25 N - 139/55 E.

Results: Unobserved to Good

Remarks: This report is subject to change and not to be used for official records.

As of 1000, 4 April 1945

for William F. Lavoie
LAURIS NORSTAD
Brigadier General, U. S. Army
Chief of Staff

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HEADQUARTERS TWENTIETH AIR FORCE
Washington, D. C.

Information for Briefing on XXI Bomber Command
Mission No. 56 - 3/4 April 1945
Date

Mission Code Name "FURIOUS 1" (As of 1100 Z 4 April 45)
Date

Targets: Primary - Nakajima Aircraft Plant, Koizumi, Japan (Honshu)

Secondary - Urban Area of Tokyo

Last Resort - None

Take-off Times: 030939Z - 031032Z
030539 - 030632 Washington Time; 031839 - 031932 Theatre Time

031612Z - 031720Z
031212 - 031320 Wash. Time; 040112 - 040220 Japan Time

Time Over Primary Target:

Tactics: Night bombing by radar from altitude of 7000 to 7800 ft on 284 degrees true axis of attack. Flare force lighted target beginning at target time minus 3 minutes and at 2 minute intervals thereafter.

Aircraft Bombing: 68
6 dropped flares
Primary Target - 42 bombing
Secondary Target - 20 (031654Z to 031744Z)
Other Targets -

Bomb Load: Minimum of 31 - 500 lb GP's fused 1/100 nose, non-delay tail. Flares to light target were ANM-26 fused to light at 3000 ft. (40 per a/c flare force)

Losses: None

Target Weather: 10/10 overcast and undercast. Winds 270 degrees at 28 knots.

Fighter Composition: 36 e/a sighted of which 4 attacked.

Anti-Aircraft Encountered: Both at PT and ST: Heavy and light, meagre and inaccurate. Over Chosi Pt1 moderate and accurate fire from flak ship.

Claims: None

Results of Bombing: Unobserved to Good

Remarks: This information is fragmentary and is subject to change so should not be used or presented as final.

Observations: Fire near Chosi Pt. Fires and explosions near Musishino A/C Plant. 6 ships observed by radar E shore of Tokyo Bay. 5 ships observed by radar E of Chosi Pt. 8 ships observed by radar s of Kikura Jima. 7 S/L at 35/24 N-139/55E.

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TELECON MES AGE FN-04-8 (SECRET) 040528Z (OPERATIONAL-PRIORT

FROM: COMGENBOMCOM21 TO: COMAF20

SECRET

INFO: DEPCOMAF20(POA)

(GR240)

SUBJECT: PRELIMINARY MISSION REPORT, FURIOUS ONE, MISSION 56, 3 APRIL MQORTM

1. NAME OF PRIMARY: NAKAJIMA KOIZUMI A/C PLANT.
2. NAME OF SECONDARY: URBAN AREA OF TOKYO.
3. NAME OF LAST RESORT: NONE.
4. TARGET OF OPPORTUNITY: NONE.
5. A/C ATTACKING PRIMARY: 6 A/C DROPPED 202 ANM 26 FLARES BY RADAR THROUGH 10/10 CLOUD FROM 6,000 TO 8,000 FT AT 031623Z TO 031721Z. 42 A/C DROPPED 1079 X 500 GP, 1/100 NOSE, NON DELAY TAIL, BY

RADAR THROUGH 10/10 CLOUD FROM 7,000 TO 7,800 FT AT 031612Z TO 031720Z.

6. A/C ATTACKING SECONDARY: 20 A/C DROPPED 556 X 500 GP BY RADAR THROUGH 10/10 CLOUD FROM 9,000 TO 10,000 FT AT 031654Z TO 031744Z. (INCLUDES ONE A/C THAT HAD 13 BOMBS HANG UP OVER PRIMARY TARGET)
7. A/C ATTACKING LAST RESORT: NON.
8. A/C ATTACKING TARGET OF OPPORTUNITY: NONE.
9. NO. A/C TAKING OFF: 78 A/C AIRBORNE AT 030924Z TO 031032Z.
10. NO. A/C EARLY RETURN: 8 A/C RETURNED EARLY, OF WHICH NONE BOMBED TARGETS.
11. NO. A/C LOST OR MISSING: NONE
12. BOMBING RESULTS: BOTH PRIMARY AND SECONDARY, UNOBSERVED TO GOOD.
13. PERSONNEL CASUALTIES: NONE.
14. ENEMY AIR OPPOSITION: 36 E/A SIGHTED, OF WHICH 4 ATTACKED.
15. AA FIRE: BOTH PRIMARY AND SECONDARY, HEAVY AND LIGHT, MEAGER AND INACCURATE. OVER CHOSI PT. MODERATE AND ACCURATE FIRE FROM FLAK SHIP.
16. FIGHTER SUPPORT: NONE

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3. NAME OF LAST RESORT: NONE.

4. TARGET OF OPPORTUNITY: NONE.

5. A/C ATTACKING PRIMARY: 6 A/C DROPPED 202 ANM 26 FLARES BY RADAR THROUGH 10/10 CLOUD FROM 6,000 TO 8,000 FT AT 031623Z TO 031721Z. 42 A/C DROPPED 1079 X 500 GP, 1/100 NOSE, NON DELAY TAIL, BY

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7. A/C ATTACKING LAST RESORT: NON.

8. A/C ATTACKING TARGET OF OPPORTUNITY: NONE.

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11. NO. A/C LOST OR MISSING: NONE

12. BOMBING RESULTS: BOTH PRIMARY AND SECONDARY, UNOBSERVED TO GOOD.

13. PERSONNEL CASUALTIES: NONE.

14. ENEMY AIR OPPOSITION: 36 E/A SIGHTED, OF WHICH 4 ATTACKED.

15. AA FIRE: BOTH PRIMARY AND SECONDARY, HEAVY AND LIGHT, MEAGER AND INACCURATE. OVER CHOSI PT. MODERATE AND ACCURATE FIRE FROM FLAK SHIP.

16. FIGHTER SUPPORT: NONE.

17. WEATHER: 10/10 OVERCAST AND UNDERCAST, WINDS 270 DEG AT 28 KNOTS.

18. IMPORTANT OBSERVATIONS: FIRE NEAR CHOSI PT. FIRES AND EXPLOSIONS NEAR MUSISHINO A/C PLANT. 6 SHIPS OBSERVED BY RADAR E SHORE OF TOKYO BAY. 5 SHIPS OVERVED BY RADAR E OF CHOSI PT. 8 SHIPS OBSERVED BY RADAR S OF KIKURA JIMA. 7 S/L AT 35/25 N - 139/55 E.

19. CLAIMS: NONE.

20. OTHER INFORMATION: 2 A/C LANDING AT IWO JIMA NOT INCLUDED IN REPORT.

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ROGER TELECON FN-04-8 040406432 FEXXX WCR

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TELECON MSG FN-05-7 TOP OP SECRET 050634Z

Return to Combat Ops BGR

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FROM BOMCOM XXI

TO COMAF 20

INFO DEPCOMAF 20 (POA) BOMWG 73RD, BOMWG 313TH, BOMWG 314TH.

SUBJECT: FINAL MISSION REPORT FOR FURIOUS ONE, MISSION 56, 3 APRIL 1945

GR-250

1. DESIGNATION OF UNIT: 313 BOMBARDMENT WING.

2. TIME OF TAKE OFF: 030924Z TO 031032Z
3. TIME OF RETURN: 032224Z TO 040144Z

4. NO. A/C AIRBORNE: 78
5. NO. A/C ATTACKING PRIMARY: 43 PLUS 5 A/C WHICH DROPPED FLARES

6. NO. A/C ATTACKING SECONDARY: 18

7. NO. A/C ATTACKING LAST RESORT TARGETS: NONE

8. NO. A/C ATTACKING TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY: NONE

9. NO. A/C WHICH FAILED TO BOMB DESIGNATED TARGETS: 12

REASONS: MECHANICAL 8. 4 FAILED TO LOCATE TARGET.

10. NO. A/C LOST TO FLAK: NONE

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11. NO. A/C LOST TO E/A: NONE

12. NO. A/C LOST BY ACCIDENT: NONE

13. NO. A/C LOST BY REASONS UNKNOWN: NONE

14. TIME OF ATTACK: PRIMARY TARGET: 031614Z - 031741Z

SECONDARY: 031705Z - 031741Z

15. ALTITUDE OF ATTACK: PRIMARY: 7,000 FT TO 7,800 FT.

SECONDARY: 9,000 FT TO 10,000 FT.

16. BOMBS ON EACH TARGET:

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PRIMARY : 1099 X 500 LB GP AND 202 AN-M26 FLARES.

SECONDARY: 520 X 500 LB GP

A. BOMB LOADINGS: 1832 X 500 LB GP 1/100 NOSE NON DELAY TAIL.

400 X AN-M26 FLARES.

B. BOMBS UNACCOUNTED FOR: NONE.

17. NO. A/C JETTISONING BOMBS: ~~1~~ 212 X 500 LB GP AND 198 X FLARES
18. NO. A/C BRINGING BOMBS BACK: 1 A/C 1 X 500 LB GP

19. PERSONNEL CASUALTIES: NONE.

20. NO. E/A DESTROYED: 1

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21. REMARKS:

A. ENEMY OPPOSITION: 31 E/A SIGHTED OVER PRIMARY, 26 E/A OVER SECONDARY. 2 ATTACKS WERE MADE, ONE BY TONY AND ONE BY U/I A/C.

B. FLAK: (1) OVER PRIMARY: 2 A/C REPORTED HEAVY, INTENSE, ACCURATE. OTHERS REPORTED HEAVY, MEAGR TO MODERATE, INACCURATE PREDICTED CONCENTRATIONS AND BARRAGE TYPE FLAK. (2) OVER S/W TOKYO: MODERATE, INACCURATE. (3) YOKOHAMA, KOGA AREA: HEAVY, MEAGER, INACCURATE. (4) S/L'S WER IN GENERAL INEFFECTIVE. (5) POSSIBLE BARRAGE BALLONS AT 3617N - 14008E. (6) 30 TO 40 ROCKET FLARES OBSERVED NEAR MITO A/F. ON BOMB RUN, 4-5 AT 2300N - 14305E.

A-2 only

C. A/C LOST OR IN DISTRESS: NONE.

D. A/C SERIOUSLY DAMAGED OR CRASHED ON RETURN: NONE.

E. A/C BATTLE DAMAGE: NONE.

F. OBSERVATIONS: (1) FIRES, BLIEVED DECOY, OBSERVED ISHIOKA A/F, KONIKE A/F TSUKUBA A/F. (2) 4-5 ROCKET-LIKE PROJECTILES BURNING WHITE AND FALLING SLOWLY IN ZIG-ZAG COURSE FROM 5,000'FT AT 2300N - 14305E. (3) SMOKE POTS OBSERVED AT KOIZUMI.

G. PHOTO INTERPRETATION: NO PHOTOS OBTAINED DUE TO WEATHER.

H. CREW COMMENTS: NONE.

I. WEATHER: BASES AT TAKE OFF: 4/10 CUMULUS, BASE 7400 FT, TOP 6000 FT; 6/10 ALTOSTRATUS, B SE 12,000 FT; WIDELY SCATTERED LIGHT SHOWERS. ROUTE OUTGOING: TO 19 N: 4-6/10 CUMULUS, BASE 1800 FT, TOP 5000 FT; 3/10 ALTOCUMULUS BASE 12,000 FT. 19 N TO 27N: 9-10/10 CUMULUS, BASE 300-800 FT; TOP 9000 FT; 10/10 ALTOCUMULUS, BASE 9000 FT. TOP 23,000 FT (ALTOCUMULUS, WAS SOLID BETWEEN 23 N AND 26 N, BUT ELSEWHERE IT WAS IN LAYERS.); HEAVY RAIN ; MODERATE TO SEVERE TURBULENCE. 27N TO 29N: 5-7/10 CUMULUS, BASE UNKNOWN, TOP 6000 FT; 10/10 ALTOCUMULUS, BASE 10,000 FT, TOP 15,000 FT. 29N TO THE COAST: 6/10 CUMULUS, TOP 6,000 FT; 4/10 ALTOCUMULUS, BASE 10-12,000 FT. TARGET: UPCAST I: 2/10 STRATOCUMULUS, BASE 2500 FT, TOP 5000 FT; VISIBILITY RESTRICTED TO 5 MILES DUE TO HAZE. STARVATION I: 7/10 ALTOCUMULUS, BASE 10-12,000 FT; VISIBILITY 10-15 MILES . MODELLER I: 10/10 STRAOCUMULUS, TOP 5000 FT; 10/10 ALTOCUMULUS, BASE 12,000 FT FURIOUS II: 10/10 STRATOCUMULUS, TOP 6,000 FT;

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17. NO. A/C JETTISONING BOMBS:
18. NO. A/C BRINGING BOMBS BACK: 1 A/C 1 X 500 LB GP

19. PERSONNEL CASUALTIES: NONE.

20. NO. E/A DESTROYED: 1

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A-2 only

C. A/C LOST OR IN DISTRESS: NONE.

D. A/C SERIOUSLY DAMAGED OR CRASHED ON RETURN: NONE.

E. A/C BATTLE DAMAGE: NONE.

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G. PHOTO INTERPRETATION: NO PHOTOS OBTAINED DUE TO WEATHER.

H. CREW COMMENTS: NONE.

I. WEATHER: BASES AT TAKE OFF: 4/10 CUMULUS, BASE 7400 FT, TOP 6000 FT; 6/10 ALTOSTRATUS, B SE 12,000 FT; WIDELY SCATTERED LIGHT SHOWERS. ROUTE OUTGOING: TO 19 N: 4-6/10 CUMULUS, BASE 1800 FT, TOP 5000 FT; 3/10 ALTOCUMULUS BASE 12,000 FT. 19 N TO 27N: 9-10/10 CUMULUS, BASE 300-800 FT; TOP 9000 FT; 10/10 ALTOCUMULUS, BASE 9000 FT. TOP 23,000 FT (ALTOCUMULUS, WAS SOLID BETWEEN 23 N AND 26 N, BUT ELSEWHERE IT WAS IN LAYERS.); HEAVY RAIN ; MODERATE TO SEVERE TURBULENCE. 27N TO 29N: 5-7/10 CUMULUS, BASE UNKNOWN, TOP 6000 FT; 10/10 ALTOCUMULUS, BASE 10,000 FT, TOP 15,000 FT. 29N TO THE COAST: 6/10 CUMULUS, TOP 6,000 FT; 4/10 ALTOCUMULUS, BASE 10-12,000 FT. TARGET: UPCAST I: 2/10 STRATOCUMULUS, BASE 2500 FT, TOP 5000 FT; VISIBILITY RESTRICTED TO 5 MILES DUE TO HAZE. STARVATION V: 7/10 ALTOCUMULUS, BASE 10-12,000 FT; VISIBILITY 10-15 MILES . MODELLER I: 10/10 STRAOCUMULUS, TOP 5000 FT; 10/10 ALTOCUMULUS, BASE 12,000 FT FURIOUS II: 10/10 STRATOCUMULUS, TOP 6,000 FT; 10/10 ALTOSTRATUS, BASE 9-10,000 FT. ROUTE RETURNING: SAME AS ROUTE OUTGOING. BASES ON RETURN: 6/10 CUMULUS, BASE 1200 FT, TOP 6-8,000 FT; 4/10 ALTO CUMULUS , BASE 15,000 FT.

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"A VERY LARGE TASK FORCE OF SUPERFORTRESSES OF THE TWENTIETH AIR FORCE STRUCK AT INDUSTRIAL TARGETS IN THREE JAPANESE CITIES TODAY(4 APRIL, JAPANESE TIME), TWO OF THEM FOR THE FIRST TIME. FLYING FROM BASES OF MAJOR GENERAL CURTIS E. LEMAY'S XXI BOMBER COMMAND IN THE MARIANAS, THE SKY FLEET DIVIDED INTO THREE FORCES OVER THE JAPANESE HOMELAND ISLAND OF HONSHU AND STRUCK AT SHIZUOKA, 85 MILES SOUTH OF TOKYO, TACHIKAWA, 20 MILES WEST OF THE CAPITAL AND KOIZUMI, 20 MILES NORTH OF TOKYO. THESE WERE FIRST SUPERFORTRESS VISITS TO TACHIKAWA AND KOIZUMI.

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"ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE NEW BLOWS AGAINST JAPANESE INDUSTRY WAS MADE AT WASHINGTON BY GENERAL OF THE ARMY H. H. ARNOLD, COMMANDING GENERAL OF THE TWENTIETH AIR FORCE. ADDITIONAL DETAILS WILL BE DISCLOSED WHEN COM PLETE OPERATIONAL REPORTS ARE AVAILABLE."

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MEMORANDUM FOR C/S, TWENTIETH AIR FORCE

Subject: Times on Mission Reporting

The following is a report on transmission times for Mission No. 56, XXI Bomber Command:

	Staff Preparation	Guam-Washington Transmission Time	Total Elapsed Time
Take Off Message	1:33	1:31	3:04
First Bombs Away	:26	:26	:52
Consolidated Bombs Away	2:31	:48	3:19
Return Report	:31	1:56	2:27
Preliminary Report	3:08	1:15	4:23

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