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AIRCRAFT ACTION REPORT

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FM-2	VC-85	4		4	1600 x .	oal cal			
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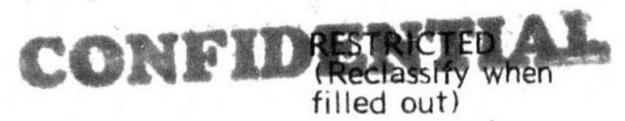
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(a) E OWN A/C	(b) SQUADRON	CAUSE: TYPE ENEMY A/C, TYPE GUN, OR OPERATIONAL CAUSE	WHERE HIT, ANGLE (List armor, self-sealing tanks, equipment hit)	EXTENT OF LOSS OR DAMAGE, (Give Bureau serial number of planes destroyed)
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VII. PERSONNEL CASUALTIES (in aircraft listed in II only; identify with planes listed in VI by Nos. at left). (e) (d) (b) (a) NAME, RANK OR RATING CONDITION OR STATUS CAUSE SQUADRON NO.

VIII. RANGE, FUEL, AND AMMUNITION DATA FOR PLANES RETURNING

(a)	(b)	(c)	AV HOURS	(e) AV. FUEL	AV. FUEL	(g)	TOTAL AMM	UNITION EXPEN	NDED	NO. OF PLANES
TYPE A/C	OUT	MILES RETURN	IN AIR	LOADED	CONSUMED	.30	.50	20MM	MM	RETURNING
FM-2	41	46	4hrl5min	242	150		350			4
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IX. ENEMY ANTI-AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERED. (Check one block on each line).

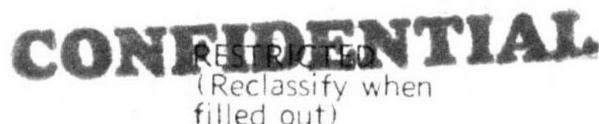
CALIBER	NONE	MEAGER	MODERATE	INTENSE
HEAVY — Time-fused shells, 75mm and over	X			
MEDIUM — Impact-fused shells, 20mm-50mm	X			
LIGHT — Machine gun bullets, 6.5mm-13.2mm	X			

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

SPEED, CLIMB,	
at various alti	tudes
TURNS	
DIVES	
CEILINGS	
RANGE	

PROTECTION ARMAMENT

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(OMIT THIS SHEET IF NO ATTACK WAS MADE)



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	XI. ATTACK ON EN	JEMY SHIPS O	R GROUND OBJECT	IVES (By Own Aircraft Lister	d in 11 Only	1430-
(a)	Target(s) and Location	n(s)(FOR SHI	ISS ON TONADATU	TOWN ONDER ATTACK) TOWN (b) Time ON	ver Target(s	1450 (I) (Zone)
(c)	Clouds Over Target	1800	Stratus 3/	TYPE AND TENTUS OF COVERY		
(b)	Visibility of Target	Clear, HA	ZY, PARTIALLY OBSCURED	BY CLOUDS, ETC.)	Visibility	10 - 15 (MILES)
(f)	Bombing Tactics: Type		(LEVEL, GLIDE OR DIVE)	Bomb Sight U	Jsed	(TYPE)
	Bombs Dropped per Rui	n(NUMBE	Spacing	(FEET) Altitude	of Bomb Rel	ease (FEET)
(g)	Number of Enemy Airo	craft Hit on Gro	ound: Destroyed	Probably Destroyed		Damaged
	(h) AIMING POINT	DIMENSIONS OR TONNAGE	(i) NO. A/C ATTACKING (k) SQUADRON	BOMBS AND AMMUNITION EXPENDED EACH AIMING POINT	(m) NO HITS On Aiming Point	DAMAGE (None, slight, serious destroyed or sunk)
1 B	arracks Buildings	200' Long	4 FM-2 VC-85	350 x .50 cal	All in Area	Slight
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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).

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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

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
Night Fighting
Recognition, Aircraft

OWN TACTICS

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

Four FM-2s of VC-85, led by Lieutenant (junior grade)
George B. PLEAT, USNR, took off on Combat Air Patrol over
Okinawa. After orbiting on station for two and one-half
hours without being vectored on an interception, the flight
was relieved and ordered to strafe buildings in Yonabaru
town.

Four buildings appearing to be military barracks were attacked and damaged. One run was made.

No AA fire was encountered and all planes returned safely to base.

No material failures were reported.

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XIII. MATERIAL DATA. (Comment freely on performance or suitability, following check list at left.

Use additional sheets if necessary).

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 Leak Proofing

EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT

Parachutes Life Belts, Life Rafts Safety Belts Emergency Kits Rations, First Aid

NAVIGATIONAL EQUIPMENT

Compasses
Driftsights
Octants
Automatic Pilots
Charts
Field Lighting

INSTRUMENTS

Flight Power Plant

OXYGEN SYSTEM

CAMOUFLAGE AND DECEPTION DEVICES

STRUCTURE

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

POWER PLANT

Engines
Engine Accessories
Propellers
Lubricating System
Starters
Exhaust Dampers

HYDRAULIC SYSTEM

ELECTRICAL SYSTEM

Auxiliary Plant Lights

FUEL SYSTEM

FLIGHT CLOTHING

MAINTENANCE

BASE FACILITIES

Plane Servicing Equipment Personnel Facilities

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