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Brief of Field Order	Telecon	FN-20-10		200558Z	
Amendment to Brief of Mining Mission	"	FN 22-04		220410Z	MB

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WCR V RGE NR 4 5 TOP SECRET OP OP OP 22 JULY '45
PASS TO COMGENUSASTAF (REAR) WASH AS FN-22-04

FROM LEMAY COMGENAAF 20 220345Z

TO COMGEN USASTAF, GUAM

COMGEN USASTAF (REAR) WASHINGTON

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AIMCR 6026 SUBJECT: AMENDMENT 1 TO BRIEF OF MINING MISSION 38

THE FOLLOWING CHANGES HAVE BEEN MADE TO MINING MISSION FOR NIGHT OF 22 JULY.

1. FIELD Z HAS BEEN CANCELLED AND FIELDS AT MASAN AND FUSAN HAVE BEEN ADDED.
2. MASAN AND FUSAN ARE SCHEDULED TO MINE AT 221630Z.
3. TARGET FIELD L-M, SHIMONOSEKI ST WILL MINE WITH A FORCE OF 15 A/C (INSTEAD OF 10) AND DROP 120 MINES (INSTEAD OF 85).
4. MASAN AND FUSAN WILL MINE WITH A FORCE OF 7 A/C AND LAY 49 MINES.
5. ROUTE: MASAN AND FUSAN: BASE, IWO 3146N - 13129E, 3327N - ~~12943E~~ 12943E, 3438N - 12835E (IP) RIGHT TURN CLIMBING TO 15,000 FT, 3445N - ~~12940E~~ 12940E, 3337N - 13010E, 3220N - 13138E, IWO, BASE.

ROUTE: RASHIN WILL STAGE ENROUTE TO TARGET AT IWO, 2 HOUR LAYOVER INSTEAD OF 5 HOUR LAYOVER WHILE ENROUTE TO BASE.

6. ALL FORCES WILL MINE AT 8000 FT.

TOD:...220410Z HP K

ROGER 220410Z KH

TOD:220421Z JW
ROGER V WCR

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Ray G. Baker, Capt. A. C.

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ACTION:	C/S	DC/S Opr	DC/S TM&E	DC/S P&A	A-1	A-2	A-3 Tng	A-3 OC&R	A-4		
	A-5 Plans	Air Insp	PRO	Comm.	Op Anal	Stat Con	Anti-Acft	FSO			
	A.G.	Surg									
INFORMATION:	C/S	DC/S Opr	DC/S TM&E	DC/S P&A	A-1	A-2	A-3 Tng	A-3 OC&R	A-4		
	A-5 Plans	Air Insp	PRO	Comm.	Op Anal	Stat Con	Anti-Acft	FSO			
	A.G.	Surg									

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TO COMGENUSASTAF GUAM

INFO COMGENUSASTAF REAR WASH

AIMCR 5959 SUBJECT: BRIEF OF MINING MISSION 38

BRIEF OF MINING MISSION FOR NIGHT OF 21/// 22 JULXZM SHIMONOSEKI STS-E AND EAST, RASHIN, OHAMA, AND TSURUGA ARE SCHEDULED TO BE MINED AT 211 2115ØØZ, 211605Z BY 3Ø AIRCRAFT LAYING 235' .8,3.

TARGET	FORCE	NO OF MINES
KFIELD L,(.: SHIMONOSEKI ST	1Ø	85
RASHIN	8	66
FIELD Z: OHAMA, TSURUGA	12	84

ROUTES: FLD M, SHIMONOSEKI STS: BASE, IWO, 3243N 13234E, 340145N 1312345E (IP), TARRZ. RIGHT TURN CLIMBINGHTO 15000 FT, 3354N 130-E, 3235N 13144E, IWO, BASE.

FLD L, SHIMONOSEKI STS: BASE, IWO, 3243N 1234E, 340145N 1312345E, (IP) TGT, LEFT TURN CLIMBING TO 15000 FT, 3340N 13130E, 3243N JQEWERE, IWO, BASE.

LRAYHIN: BASE, IWO, 335N 13449E, 3606N 13308E, 4050N 12943E, 415330N 1295700 (IP), TGT, RIGHT TURN CLIMBING TO 15000 FT, 3532N 13412E, 3351N 134449E, IWO, 5 HR LAYOVER,HDASE.

FLD Z: BASE, IWO, 3314N 13411E, 3433N 13421E, 3539N 13450E, 354630N 1351330E (IP), TGT, CLIMB TO 15000 FT FOR OHAMA A/C, RIGHT TURN CLIMBING TO 15000 XT FOR TSURUGA A/C, 3514N 1361113, 3358N 13616EJN IWO BASE.

GENERAL SCHEME OF ATTACK: BY INDIVIDUAL AIRCRAFT UNESCORTED AT NIGHT ATAN ALTPTUDE OF 8000 AND 7000 FEET USING RADAR RW EASE. to LMEND.

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Ray G. Baker, Capt. A. C.

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CCNS TIMES IN LINES 2 AND 3 SHD BE 221540Z, 2-1500Z, 22105Z

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Takeoff Report	Telecon	FN 22-05		220430 I	MB
Consol. Takeoff Rpt.	"	FN 23-1		230148 I	MB
Corrected Takeoff	"	FN 22-1		221306 Z	MB

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FROM: COMGENAAF 20 GUAM 221027Z

TO : COMGENUSASTAF (GUAM)

INFO: COMGENUSASTAF (REAR) WASHINGTON

AIMCR 6042 SUBJECT: CORRECTED TAKE OFF REPORT, ALL FORCES, STRIKE 282, MINING MISSION, 22-23 JULY 1945.

1. UNIT: 313TH WING

2. A/C SCHEDULED: 30

3. A/C AIRBORNE: 29

4. TIME OF TAKE OFF: 220756Z TO 220827Z

5. WEATHER: BASE AT TAKE OFF: BROKEN LOW CLOUDS, SCATTERED MIDDLE AND HIGH CLOUDS WITH SCATTERED LIGHT SHOWERS.

ROUTE: BROKEN LOW CLOUDS AND SCATTERED MIDDLE AND HIGH CLOUDS WITH SCATTERED LIGHT SHOWERS TO 17 DEG NORTH. FROM 17 DEG NORTH TO 25 DEG NORTH, THERE WILL BE SCATTERED LOW, MIDDLE AND HIGH CLOUDS. FROM 25 DEG NORTH TO 33 DEG NORTH, THERE WILL BE BROKEN LOW, MIDDLE AND HIGH CLOUDS WITH SCATTERED LIGHT SHOWERS. FROM 33 DEG NORTH TO RASHIN: BROKEN LOW CLOUDS AND SCATTERED TO BROKEN MIDDLE AND HIGH CLOUDS.

TARGET: SHIMONOSEKI: 5/10 LOW CLOUDS, BASE 1,800 FT, TOP 6,000 7/10 MIDDLE CLOUDS IN LAYERS BETWEEN 12,000 AND 16,000 FT; 4/10 HIGH CLOUDS AT 28,000 FT. WINDS AT 8,000 FT WILL BE 290 DEG AT 25 KNOTS.

FUSAN: 9/10 LOW CLOUDS, BASE 1,200 FT, TOP 6,000 FT; 9/10 MIDDLE CLOUDS IN LAYERS BETWEEN 8,000 FT AND 15,000 FT; 7/10 HIGH CLOUDS AT 28,000 FT. WINDS AT 8,000 FT WILL BE 300 DEG AT 25 KNOTS.

RASHIN: 6/10 LOW CLOUDS, BASE 1,500 FT, TOP 6,000 FT; 6/10 MIDDLE CLOUDS, BASE 14,000 FT, TOP 15,000 FT; 5/10 HIGH CLOUDS AT 28,000 FT. WINDS AT 8,000 FT WILL BE 300 DEG AT 25 KNOTS.

BASE ON RETURN: SCATTERED LOW, MIDDLE AND HIGH CLOUDS.

6. REMARKS: RE OUR AIMCR 6027, TAKE OFF REPORT FOR FORCE 2 WAS TAKE OFF FROM TINIAN ENROUTE TO IWO. 7 A/C AIRBORNE AT IWO ON FORCE 2 AT 220758Z TO 220806Z. 1 RCM A/C AND 1 SUPERDUMBO AIRBORNE IN ADDITION TO MAIN FORCES.

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TOD: 221105Z DG/// DM K

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TOD: 221306Z DG

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FROM COMGENAAF 20 GUAM 230119Z

TO COMGENUSASTAF GUAM

INFO: COMGENUSASTAF (REAR) WASHINGTON

AIMCR 6054 SUBJECT: CONSOLIDATED LANDING REPORT MISSION NO. 282

TARGETS: RASHIN, SHIMONOSEKI STS EAST AND WEST ENTRANCES, FLOWN 23 JULY 4

1. UNIT: 313TH WING
2. LANDED HOME BASE: 18
3. LANDED AWAY FROM BASE: 10
4. LANDING TIME FIRST A/C: 222155Z
5. LANDING TIME LAST A/C: 222352Z
6. MISSING: 1
7. EARLY RETURNS: 3
8. REMARKS: MISSING A/C DITCHED ABOUT 15 MILES FROM SAIPAN RESCUE AGENCY ON HAND.

~~...CCN... LINE2 8TH WD ENTRANCES RPT ENTRANCES~~

TOD: 230148Z HH

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ACTION:	C/S	DC/S Opr	DC/S TM&E	DC/S P&A	A-1	A-2	A-3 Tng	A-3 OC&R	A-4	A-5 Plans	Air Insp
	PRO	Comm.	Op Anal	Stat Con	Anti-Acft	FSO	A.G.	Surg			
INFORMATION:	C/S	DC/S Opr	DC/S TM&E	DC/S P&A	A-1	A-2	A-3 Tng	A-3 OC&R	A-4	A-5 Plans	Air Insp
	PRO	Comm.	Op Anal	Stat Con	Anti-Acft	FSO	A.G.	Surg			

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PASS TO COMGENUSASTAF (REAR) WASH AS FN-22-05 RPT FN-22-05
FROM COMGENAAF 20 GUAM 220347Z

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TO COMGENUSASTAF GUAM

INFO COMGENUSASTAF (REAR) WASH (OP)

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AIMCR 6027. SUBJECT: TAKE OFF REPORT, FORCE 2, STK 282, MINING MISSION 22 - 23 JULY 45.

1. UNIT: 313TH WG

2. A/C SCHEDULED: 30

3, A/C AIRBORNEGC 8

4. TIME OF TAKE OFF: 220226Z TO 220231Z.

5. CONSOLIDATED TAKE OFF WILL FOLLOW AFTER REMAINDER OF FORCE TAKES OFF. ETD 220800Z.

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TOD:220430Z JW
ROGER V WCR

DISTRIBUTION

ACTION:	C/S	DC/S Opr	DC/S TM&E	DC/S P&A	A-1	A-2	A-3 Tng	A-3 OC&R	A-4		
	A-5 Plans	Air Insp	PRO	Comm.	Op Anal	Stat Con	Anti-Acft	FSO			
	A.C.	Surg									
INFORMATION:	C/S	DC/S Opr	DC/S TM&E	DC/S P&A	A-1	A-2	A-3 Tng	A-3 OC&R	A-4		
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	A.C.	Surg									

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Mission Summary	Telecon	FN 23-16		232112Z	MB

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TELECON MSG NO.	SUBJECT	DATE
FM-23-16	Mission Summary No. 282 Targets M/F's Mike, Rashin, Fusan-Masan, Flown 22 July 1945	23 July 45

TO:	INFO:	FROM:
COMGENUSASTAF GUAM	COMGENUSASTAF (REAR) AC/As Intelligence	COMGENAAF 20 GUAM

231938Z
AIMCR 6095

1. Wing Designation: 313th Bomb Wing.
2. Time takeoff: Force 11: 220226Z - 220231Z. Force 1 and 3: 220756Z - 220827Z.
3. No. A/C airborne: 30 from home base, 1 failed to take off again from staging at Iwo Jima.
4. Mines airborne: MK 25 - 175, MK 26-36 - 60.
5. Disposition of mines airborne:

A. Primary Fields:

	12 A/C Mike - Love	5 A/C Rashin	6 A/C Fusan-Masan
Mark 26-36			
D11-B8	5	7	0
S21-H8	5		
S21-A8	2		
D15-B8	2	3	
S21-F8	2		
D31-B8	7	6	
D21-B8	3	2	
S21-E8	3	1	
Q31-E8	1	1	
D33-B8	2	1	
Q31-I8	2		
D25-B8	1		
Q31-A8	1		
Q21-G8		1	
Q21-H8		2	
Q21-F8		1	
Mark 25			
V11-E8			2
N31-E8			2
V11-I7			1
D31-B8			3
V21-E8			1
S31-H8			1
V11-B8			1
X31-B7		1	2
D21-I8			1

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FROM:

Mark 26	Miko - Love	Rashin	Fusan-Masan
X31-B8	12		1
V11-F8			1
X11-B8			2
V21-F8			1
S21-I8			4
M21-B8	1		3
V21-M7			1
D11-B8	1		5
Q21-F8			2
Q21-A8			1
D11-H8			6
V21-B8			1
X51-B8	23	4	
X71-B8	21	10	
X11-B7	4		
Q21-E8	1		
X51-B7		6	

Mike-Love Field observations: Sorties Nr. 3 - bombardier's head-set shorted out causing 1st mine to drop 10 sec late and 1/3 mile left of course.

B. Alternate Fields: Sortie No. 19, 3 X51-B8, 2 X71-B8, 2 X51-B7 at 221557Z at 3337N - 13127E on true heading of 310 deg. Radar out, dropped Dr and visual means in proper sequence.

Sortie No. 29, 1 V11-I7, 2 X31-B8, 1 X11-B7, 1 M21-B8, 1 D11-B8, 1 D11-H8, at 221615Z at 3350N - 13110E (coordinate of middle release). Radar out, dropped Dr and visual means in briefed sequence.

Sortie No. 17, 2 X51-B7, 5 X61-B7, at 221631Z at 4146N - 12950E. Radar out, 15 minutes before making landfall at Korea, mined by DR.

C. Jettisoned: Sorties No. 1, 5 X51-B8, 2 X71-B8 at 221155Z at 1508N - 14614E, electrical trouble; early return.

Sorties No. 25, 2 X31-B8, 5 X11-B8, at 220820Z at 1517N - 14601E, No. 1 engine on fire, early return.

Sortie No. 13, 2 X31-B7, 2 X51-B7, 3 X71-B7, at 220832Z at 2408N - 14139E. Prop governor stuck No. 1 engine; oil leak in No. 4.

D. Returned: Sorties No. 11, 2 X31-B8, 3 X71-B8, 2 X51-B8, at Iwo Jima. A/C was to stage at Iwo, but was unable to take off due to back fire No. 1 engine. Mines

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SUBJECT:
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FROM:

left in plane at Iwo, crew came back in another A/C.

6. No. of A/C failing to mine.
7. Time of mine release: Force 1: 1537-221613Z. Force 2: 1608Z - 221614Z. Force 3: 1636 - 221657Z.
8. Altitude over L/F's: Force 1: 8-8,400 ft. Force 2: 8090, 8100 ft. Force 3: 8150-8500 ft.
9. True airspeed at mine release: Force 1: 220-230 knots. Force 2: 200-214 knots. Force 3: 212-217 knots.
10. Length of Mine Run: Force 1: 4 min 30 sec - 8 min 18 sec. Force 2: 7 min 20 sec - 10 min 30 sec. Force 3: 7 min - 10 min 30 sec.
11. Reported wind of L/F's: Force 1: 260-030 deg. 16-39 knots. Force 3: 287 deg 010 deg and 15-26. Force 2: 329-030 deg. 20-26 knots.
12. Clouds and visibility: Force 1: 5-10/10 and 0 to unlimited. Force 2: 10/10 and 0 to unlimited. Force 3: 10/10 and 0 to unlimited.
13. Time return: 222155Z - 222352Z, 2 A/C still at Iwo.
14. No. A/C lost: 1 A/C ditched E of Saipan, cause unknown.
15. Personnel Casualties: 1 seriously wounded. All crew members picked up.
16. No. E/A Opposition: Force 1: 3 sighted, no attacks, others nil.
17. Enemy Flak: Force 1: 1 A/C reported meager and inaccurate flak, others nil.
18. Enemy RCM: Noted and effect: None. 1 RCM A/C airborne on mission and reported effective.
19. Radar scope photos obtained: Force 1: 39, Force 2: 27, Force 3: 44.
20. Remarks: None.

Please pass to CNO, Washington.

End...
TOD: 232112Z

DIST ACTION: DC/S Opr (2)
INFO: C/S - DC/OPRS - DC/S P&A - DC/S TME
Stat Control (2); A-2 Col. Div (2)

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