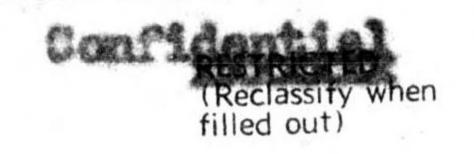


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(a) TYPE OWN A/C	(b) SQUADRON	AGE, COMBAT OR OPERATIONAL  TYPE GUN, OR OPERATIONAL CAUSE	WHERE HIT, ANGLE (List armor, self-sealing tanks, equipment hit)	(Give Bureau serial number of planes destroyed)
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VIII. RANGE, FUEL, AND AMMUNITION DATA FOR PLANES RETURNING (h) NO. OF PLANES RETURNING (g) TOTAL AMMUNITION EXPENDED AV. FUEL CONSUMED (e) AV. FUEL LOADED (d) AV. HOURS IN AIR (c) MILES RETURN (b) MILES OUT (a) TYPE A/C MM 20MM 4307 2460 240 330 4.1 45 THES 50 3510 270 280 4.1 45 50 111-2

IX. ENEMY ANTI-AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERED (Che	NONE	MEAGER	MODERATE	INTENSE
AVY — Time-fused shells, 75mm and over	X			
EDIUM — Impact-fused shells, 20mm-50mm  GHT — Machine gun bullets, 6.5mm-13 2mm				

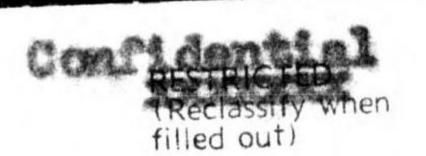
X. COMPARATIVE PERFORMANCE, OWN AND ENEMY AIRCRAFT (use check list at left).

SPEED, CLIMB, at various altitudes TURNS DIVES CEILINGS

RANGE

PROTECTION

ARMAMENT





(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).

) Clouds Over Target		BASE IN FEET.	TYPE AND TENTHS OF COVER)		
			(e) Visil	bility	(MILES)
I) Visibility of Target	(CLEAR, HAZY	PARTIALLY OBSCURED	BY CLOUDS, ETC.)		W.T. consents
a Rombing Tactics: Type.		GLIDE OR DIVE)	Bomb Sight Used	Romb Rele	ase 1500
Bombs Dropped per Rung Number of Enemy Airc	(NUMBER)	Spacing	mge (FEET 1000 - 800 foot	001110	Damaged
(h) AIMING POINT	(i)	(i) NO. A/C ATTACKING	BOMBS AND AMMUNITION PEXPENDED EACH AIMING POINT A	Aiming Point	serious, destroyed or same
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19 635 Mente Francisco	1000 x 200	VC-84	mose fused, 30 100 lb.	**	
in area 2 below	yards		above.		
4Defense positions	1000 x 200	5 Pi-2	50 rockets and amo	68	<b>63</b>
in area 3 below	yards	7 THI-3	70 100 15 GP as above		99
STomb area in area in area no. 4 below	yards	VC-84	and above.	Ath	
6 Buildings, Tombo		63	above.	#3	
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1- Southwest boach area Is Shima (8132 to 8552 local grid) 0755. Targots -

2- Morter positions 1800 yards north of To Town (8756 Able through Basy local grid) 0815.

3- Defense positions area west of Is Shima airfield (8135 Jig to 8532 King) 0910.

4- Tomb area 200 yards east le Town (8883 Kray Voice) 1400.

5- Buildings tombe in area northeast Ie Shime airfield (8384 Love Mile) 1415.

6- Caves, dugouts in area northeast Io Town (8835 Charlie 8834 William) 1600.

(p) Were Photographs Taken?\_

Photographs of Damage, WhenTaken, Should Be Attached By Staple. Yes

Gun camera film didn't show damage results.

<sup>(</sup>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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(Reclassify when filled out)

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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
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

On 16 April 1945, L plus 15, the following support flights took off from USS MAKIN ISLAND and after joining with the balance of their support groups hit targets on 10 Shima in support of landings; 6 TBM-5, 4 FM-2 and 1 FM-2 Air Coordinator, 7 TFM-5, 4 FM-2 and 1 TEM-3 Air Coordinator. The first flight strafed and rocketed the landing beach area continuously for 7 minutes in advance of the landings and then moved bact to bomb and strafe mortar positions north of 10 Town reportedly firing on the troops. It received a very weel done from CASCU for its support work. The second flight hit defense positions west of the airfield with rockets and strafing; the third flight also hit potential defense installations east of 10 Town and northeast of the airfield; the last flight attacks deaves and dugouts northeast of 10 Town. All these flights received a well done from CASCU. Air Coordinators joined in the attacks. Bombing runs were started at 5000 to 3500 feet with release at 2000 and 1500 and pullout at 1000. Slant range for rockets was 1000 feet.

#### Pilots .

lst flight: Lt. Thomas R. Young, support group leader, Lt. Brice Holladay, Lt. David J. Conroy, Lt.(jg)Wilbur E. Ege, Lt.(jg) Harry M. Anderson, Ensign Leonard F. Wozniak.

2nd flight: Lt.(jg) Donald E. Skewis, flight leader, Lt.(jg) James G. Babb, Lt.(jg) Rex S. McDaniel, Ensign Eric W. Kattwinkel,

Lt. Robert O. Kent, Air Coordinator.

3rd flight: Lt.(jg) Marvin L. Doliana, flight leader, Lt.(jg)

William H. Bartles, Lt.(jg) Heward A. Hughes, Ensign Glenn A. Terry,

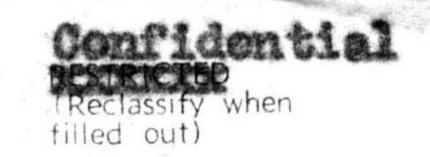
Ensign Terence B. McManus, Ensign Deane A. Jelle.

4th flight: Lt.(jg) Alfred E. Monahan, flight leader, Lt.(jg)

Raymond B. Howard, Lt.(jg) Duane G. Miller, Ensign Richard D. Tietjen;

Lt. Francis A. Holl, Air Coordinator.

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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

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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Equipment performed normally.