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AIRCRAFT ACTION REPORT

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(OMIT THIS SHEET IF NO ATTACK WAS MADE)

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Target(s) and Location	(FOR SHIP	S INCLUDE ALL IN AREA UN	(b) Time Over		
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Visibility of Target	(CLEAR, HAZ	Y. PARTIALLY OBSCURED B	Bomb Sight Use		
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(p) Were Photographs Taken? Photographs of Damage, WhenTaken, Should Be Attached By Staple.

⁽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).

^{1.} This was an "area attack" with no specific targets assigned or observed.

However, two camouflaged huts or personnel shelters, each about 12 or 15 ft. square,
were set on fire by the strafing and were destroyed.

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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

S VF from VC-83 and S VF from VC-81 on station at orbit point swalting assignment of target for aircraft strike in support of invasion of Iwo Jime.

The flight was ordered to make a bending and strafing attack against target areas 235 X and Y. We specific targets were assigned and none were observed in time to be used as siming points. Some enemy gun positions were thought to be located in the area but they were concealed and could not be observed from the air. Two strafing runs were made and two personnel shelters set on fire.

No AA was encountered.

Pilots: Lieuts. H. C. COOH, B. O. McMINCH; Lieuts. (jg)

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T. L. CAMP, V. E. FULLER; Musiga B. M. HUNT.

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

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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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two drippable wing tanks. At first ten majority of VF pilots did not like the change. They had been used to flying with one wing tank and they did not like the drag of the extra wing tank. However, the operation had not progressed far before there was a complete reversal of epinion on this point. As most pilots expressed it, "It feels good to have those two wing tanks". They give an added sense of security. True, the speed and rate of climb are reduced, but his loss in performance is not too important because in the event of attack the wing tanks can be readily dropped. As the situation stands not the VF pilots are desgruntled if ordered to take off without two full wing tanks.

only one wing tank but within a few days all had been equipped with

When the Iwe Jime operation began the IM-2s were equipped with

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