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Report # 65

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AIRCRAFT ACTION REPORT

RESTRICTED

(Reclassify when filled in)

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(Short Form for routine actions only)

Atoll

I. GENERAL

(a) Unit Reporting VMB 613 (b) Ship or base Kwajalein Is., Kwajalein (c) Report No. 62  
 (b) Take off: Date 10 August 1945 Time (LZT) 2300M forward echelon at Majuro (Zone) (e) Time of Return 0130M (Zone)  
 (f) Target Lukunor and Chirubon Is., Mille Atoll (g) Round-Trip Distance Flown 375 (Miles)

II. OWN AIRCRAFT OFFICIALLY COVERED BY THIS REPORT

(a) TYPE	(b) SQUADRON	(c) TAKING OFF	(d) NUMBER ENGAGING ENEMY A/C	(e) ATTACKING TARGET	(f) BOMBS, ROCKETS, CLUSTERS, TORPEDOES, NAPALM & DROP FUEL TANKS CARRIED PER PLANE (Specify type & size exactly)	(g) FUZE DELAYS, TORPEDO DEPTH SETTING (Give mk. of cluster & bomb fuzes, & setting used if more than one is possible)
PBJ-1H	VMB 613	1	-	1	4 X 500# G.P.	Nose-instantaneous. Tail-instantaneous.
					8 X 5.0" Aircraft R.	Nose-instantaneous. Tail-non-delay.

III. ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENGAGED

IV. ENEMY PLANES DAMAGED IN AIR (Give details in narrative)

(a) TYPE	(b) NUMBER ENGAGED	(c) TIME/ZONE	(d) LOCATION	(e) TYPE ENEMY A/C	(b) DESTROYED OR DAMAGED BY TYPE A/C SQUADRON PILOT OR GUNNER	(c) DAMAGE CLAIMED
None	-	-	-	None	-	-

V. LOSS OR DAMAGE, COMBAT OR OPERATIONAL, OF OWN AIRCRAFT

(a) TYPE OWN A/C	(b) SQUADRON	(c) CAUSE: Type GUN OR OPERATIONAL	(d) ENEMY A/C, AA, self-sealing tanks, equipment hit	(e) WHERE HIT & ANGLE (List armor, self-sealing tanks, equipment hit)	(f) EXTENT OF LOSS OR DAMAGE (Give Bureau No. of plane destroyed)
1	-	-	-	-	-
2	-	-	-	-	-
3	-	-	-	-	-
4	-	-	-	-	-
5	-	-	-	-	-

VI. PERSONNEL CASUALTIES (Identify with planes listed in V by nos. at left)

(a) No.	(b) SQUADRON	(c) NAME, RANK, OR RATING	(d) CAUSE	(e) CONDITION OR STATUS
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VII. ATTACK ON TARGET

(a) Location Lukunor and Chirubon, Mille Atoll. (b) Time over target 0001M to 0100M (Zone)  
 (c) Weather, clouds, visibility 2/10 cumulus from 2000' visibility 1/2 mile  
 (d) Bombing tactics Level (Level, Glide, Dive, by type of plane) (e) Bomb Sight used None (Type for each type of plane)

(f) AA present: Yes.  light meager inaccurate AA, Lukunor and Chirubon Islands.

(g) AIMING POINT	(h) DIMENSIONS OR TONNAGE	(i) No. A/C Attacking (j) Squadron	(k) BOMBS, ROCKETS, AMMUNITION EXPENDED, EACH AIMING POINT (Give fuzing used if selectively armed)	(l) NO. HITSON AIMING POINT	(m) Altitude of Release (Ft.) (n) Dive Angle	(o) Spacing of Bombs (Ft.) (p) Indicated Air Speed (Kts)	(q) Range of Release of Rockets
1 Lukunor Is.	Undetermined	1 PBJ 613	2 X 500# G.P.	2	1500' Level	0' 160	-
4			4 X 5.0" Aircraft R. 200 rnds. of .50 cal ammunition.	4	1500' Level	0' 200	1000yds.
2 Chirubon Is.	"	1 PBJ 613	2 X 500# G.P.	2	1500' Level	0' 120	-
5			4 X 5.0" Aircraft R.	4	1500' Level	0' 200	1000yds.

Give results and narrative on separate sheet, follow outline.

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VII. (r). Results of bombing and rocket hits were unobserved due to darkness, however a fire was started on Lukunor Island.

(s). No enemy aircraft observed.

(t). No photos taken.

VIII. One plane of this squadron took off from Majuro for a night harrassing attack on Mille Atoll in support of a psychological warfare program. The plane arrived on target at 2330M and remained over the Atoll for one and one-half hours expending four 500# G.P. bombs and Eight 5.0" rockets on Chirubon and Lukunor Islands. Light weather inaccurate AA was encountered from Chirubon and Lukunor. The plane left Mille at 0100M and landed at Majuro at 0130M., 11 August.

IX. All materiel functioned satisfactorily.

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