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I. GENERAL

e) Missi	on	LA/C (Ex	new Suns &	- TITIC (LZ		THE PERSON NAMED IN				g. 135° 05
			IALLY COVE	RED BY TI	HIS REPO	RT		(f) Time of	f Return	30 Tto (Z
TYPE	SQUADRON		NUMBER		= 1		AND TOPPEDOE	·c		
(a)	(b)	OFF (c)	ENEMY A/C	ATTACKING TARGET (e)	BOMBS AND TORPEDOES CARRIED (PER PLANE) (f)			FUZE, SETTING (g)		
P40-4	1717-9/	20		10	1 x 500 (2 4 x 5" 1N/R			Inst/.Ol tail Inst/.Ol base		
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TYPE	SQUADRON NUMBER		AIRCRAFT EMPLOYED IN		- 11	TYPE SQUADRON NUMBER			BASE	
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IV. E	NEMY AIRC	RAFT OBSE	RVED OR FN	GAGED (P.	. O A:					
(a) TYPE	OBSERVED NO. ENGAGING OWN A/C		RVED OR ENGAGED (By Own (d) TIME ENCOUNTERED LOCATION OF ENCOUNTER		ON OF	BOMBS, TORPEDOES CARRIED; GUNS OBSERVED			CAMOUFLAGE AND MARKING	
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Appare	nt Enemy Mi	ssion(s)	- No.							
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Did And Encoun	y Part of ter(s) Occur	in Clouds?_	- No.	so, Describ	e Clouds _		(BASE IN F	EET, TYPE AND	TENTHS OF CO	VFR
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	(a) DWN A/C	SQUADRO	N TYPE C	(c) AUSE: TYPE ENEA BUN, OR OPERATI	NY A/C, ONAL CAUSE	WHERE HIT self-sealing	(d) , ANGLE (L tanks, equip	ist armor, ement hit)	(Give Bureau	NT OF LOSS (serial number	OR DAMAGE, of planes destroyed
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9	VII PI	FRSONNE	I CASUAI	TIES (in air	craft listed	in 11 only: ide	ntify wit	h planes list	ed in VI by	y Nos. at	left).
T	VII. PERSONNEL CASUALTIES (in aircraft list					((e)			
	SQUADRO	N	NAME, RAI	NK OR RATING		CA	USE	. **	CC	NDITION OR	RSTATUS
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	VIII.	RANGE,	FUEL, AN	D AMMUNI	TION DAT	A FOR PLAN					
		(b)	FUEL, AN	D AMMUNI (d) AV. HOURS	AV. FUEL	AV. FUEL	(g	TOTAL AMMU			(h) NO. OF PLAN
	VIII.		(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)			INITION EXPEN	NDED	(h) NO. OF PLAN RETURNING
		(b) MILES	(c) MILES	AV. HOURS	AV. FUEL	AV. FUEL	(g	TOTAL AMMU			NO OF PLAN
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X. COMPARATIVE PERFORMANCE, OWN AND ENEMY AIRCRAF

SPEED, CLIMB, at various altitudes TURNS DIVES CEILINGS RANGE PROTECTION ARMAMENT

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				VES (By Own Aircraft List					
(a)	Target(s) and Location	(S)(FOR SHI	PS INCLUDE ALL IN AREA U	JNDER ATTACK) (b) Time (Over Target(s)	2,00 Ital (Zone)			
(c)	Clouds Over Target	None	(BASE IN FEET	TYPE AND TENTHS OF COVER)					
(b)	Visibility of Target	sibility of Target (CLEAR, HAZY, PARTIALLY OBSCURED B			(e) Visibility(MILES)				
	Rombing Tactics: Type			Bomb Sight	Used	(TYPE)			
	Bombs Dropped per Rur	1	Spacing	(FEET) Altitu	de of Bomb Rel	ease			
(g)	Number of Enemy Airc	craft Hit on Gro	ound: Destroyed	Probably Destroye	ed 3	Damaged			
	(h) AIMING POINT	DIMENSIONS OR TONNAGE	(j) NO. A/C ATTACKING (k) SQUADRON	BOMBS AND AMMUNITION EXPENDED, EACH AIMING POIN	NO HITS On Aiming Point	DAMAGE (None, slight, serious, destroyed or sunk)			
1	Hangar area III		0	6 x 500 / GP		Serious			
2	A/C Ma looded area			1 x 500/ GP 4 x 5" IWAR	2	2 1/2 prob. dest.			
3	A/C SW corner of A/F			1 x 500 GP		Unobserved			
4	of field		30	2 x 500 GP 19 x 5" HVAR	5	Prob.dest. 2 A/G			
5	Factory in town of Yairu		2	50-601.	S ALLY	Damaged 5 3/5 4/ Fired factory.			
6	A/C SE edge of field		800	5 x 5" HVAR ' .50 cal.	Jary	3 S/E damaged			

.50 cal.

4. Direct bomb hit destroyed 1 1/1.

A/C south end

of field

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6. Engign Cumningham never fired his rockets.

⁽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

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

ATTACK

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

10 VEF made landfall 20 miles west of Gaiai Saki at 1300', then took evasive action as they proceeded NE to target. Run on target was NNE-SSE from 13000' in a 50° dive with release at 3000'. Retirement by jinking was made south of target and rendesvous effected five miles at sea. On the first run Ensign R.J. Cunningham, USNR, was last seen diving on the target; when the flight returned to make a second run, Cunningham's plane was seen burning by a clump of trees at these edge of the field (30 minutes after the plane exploded). Second run was a rocket and strafing attack from 7000', 20°-30° dive, on mircraft on the east and SE sides of the field. After identical retirement, two more strafing runs were made and then flight proceeded to Yaimu A/F where after no suitable targets presented themselves a final strafing attack was made on A/C at Gi. Rendezvous was 5 miles at sea at 4500' thence to base.

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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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No comment

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