AIRCRAFT ACTION REPORT

I. GENERAL

Mission		rike	100	4					Carri	
II. OWN	LIDGDAF	120			uc proof) T		4	eturn 1836 Ite	
	AIRCKAF	T OFFICIAL	NUMBER	ERED BY II	HIS KEPUI	ROMBS AN	ID TORPEDOES		FUZE, SETTING	G
TYPE S	SQUADRON (b)	TAKING OFF (c)	ENGAGING ENEMY A/C (d)	ATTACKING TARGET (e)		CARRIED	(PER PLANE) (f)		(g)	
TH-2	VOC-1	12		12	6 x 5"	H.H.	Rockets		ME. 157 Base	
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		OR ALLIED	AIRCRAF	T EMPLOYE	D IN THI	S OPERA	ATION.			
	SQUADRON	NUMBER	MINCKAL	BASE		TYPE	SQUADRON	NUMBER	BASE	
TBM-3	TC-93	9	PHTRO	BAY						
	FMY AIRC	CRAFT OBSE	RVED OR	ENGAGED	(By Own	Aircraft	Listed in 11	Only).	(g)
(a) TYPE	(b) NO. OBSERVED	NO. ENGAGING	1 3 \	ERED EN	(e) CATION OF NCOUNTER		BOMBS, TORPE GUNS O	DOES CARRIED; BSERVED	CAMOUFL. MARK	
2/3	OBSERVED		1600		gaki A/I	•			Covered	ed with
T/T	12		**	ZONE)					22999	
				(ZONE)						
(h) Appare	ent Enemy	Mission(s)		on fiel						
(i) Did An Encour	y Part of oter(s) Occorded Day and E	cur in Clouds Brilliance	(YES OR				(BASE I		oility (MI	
(j) of Sun	or Moon -	Brilliance	(NIGHT,	BRIGHT MOON;	DAY, OVERCAS	(Ry Ow	n Aircraft L	isted in 11 O		
,V. EN	(b) DEST	CRAFT DES	AGED BY:	JK DAMAGL	.D III AIII			WHERE	(c) HIT, ANGLE	DAMAG CLAIME
TYPE ENEMY A/C				PILOT OR GUNN	NER	GUN	S USED			
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VI. LOSS OR DAMAGE, COMBAT OR OPERATIONAL, OF OWN AIRCRAFT (of those listed in 11 only)

(a) TYPE OWN A/C	(b) SQUADRON	CAUSE: TYPE ENEMY A/C, TYPE GUN, OR OPERATIONAL CAUSE	WHERE HIT, ANGLE (List armor, self-sealing tanks, equipment hit)	(e) EXTENT OF LOSS OR DAMAGE, (Give Bureau serial number of planes destroyed)		
1 FM-2	70C-1	AA light	Mpennege	Minor		
2						
3						
4						
5						
6						
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1						
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VII. PERSONNEL CASUALTIES (in aircraft listed in II only; identify with planes listed in VI by Nos. at left).

a) (b) O. SQUADRON	(c) NAME, RANK OR RATING	(d) CAUSE	(e) CONDITION OR STATUS

VIII. RANGE, FUEL, AND AMMUNITION DATA FOR PLANES RETURNING

(a) (b) TYPE MILES		b) (c) ILES MILES	(d) AV. HOURS	(e) AV. FUEL	AV. FUEL	(g) TOTAL AMMUNITION EXPENDED				(h) NO OF PLANES
A/C	OUT	RETURN	IN AIR	LOADED	CONSUMED	.30	.50	20MM	MM	RETURNING
FW-2	550	185	4.6	230	155		15000			12

IX. ENEMY ANTI-AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERED (Check one block on each line).

CALIBER	NONE	MEAGER	MODERATE	INTENSE
HEAVY — Time-fused shells, 75mm and over		X		
MEDIUM — Impact-fused shells, 20mm-50mm			· X	
LIGHT — Machine gun bullets, 6.5mm-13.2mm	,		X	

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

SPEED, CLIMB, at various altitudes

No airborne enemy sircraft.

TURNS
DIVES
CEILINGS
RANGE
PROTECTION
ARMAMENT

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(OMIT THIS SHEET IF NO ATTACK WAS MADE)



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MY SHIPS OR	GROUND OBJECTI	VES (By Own Airci	raft Listed i	n II Only).	(70no)
(S) FOR SHIP	S INCLUDE ALL IN AREA U	NDER ATTACK)	Time Over	larget(s)_	(ZONE)
	(BASE IN FEET.	TYPE AND TENTHS OF C	OVER)		
(CLEAR, HAZ	Y, PARTIALLY OBSCURED I	BY CLOUDS, ETC.)	(e) V	sibility	(MILES)
		Rom	nb Sight Use	ed	(TYPE)
(NUMBER	Spacing	(FEET)	_ Altitude o	of Bomb Rele	ease
		Probably	Destroyed_		_ Damaged
DIMENSIONS OR		BOMBS AND AMM EXPENDED, EACH AIM	UNITION AING POINT	(m) NO. HITS On Aiming Point	DAMAGE (None, slight, serious, destroyed or sunk)
TONNAGE	12				Undetermined
	12	22 + 5" "		Undeter	Undetermined
((CLEAR, HAZ	(CLEAR, HAZY, PARTIALLY OBSCURED (BASE IN FEET. (CLEAR, HAZY, PARTIALLY OBSCURED (LEVEL, GLIDE OR DIVE) Spacing (NUMBER) raft Hit on Ground: Destroyed DIMENSIONS OR TONNAGE (i) NO. A/C ATTACKING (k) SQUADRON	(b) (FOR SHIPS INCLUDE ALL IN AREA UNDER ATTACK) (BASE IN FEET, TYPE AND TENTHS OF COMMENTARY, PARTIALLY OBSCURED BY CLOUDS, ETC.) (CLEAR, HAZY, PARTIALLY OBSCURED BY CLOUDS, ETC.) (LEVEL, GLIDE OR DIVE) Spacing. (FEET) (FEET) OMERITARY (I) DIMENSIONS OR (I) TONNAGE (I) NO. A/C ATTACKING BOMBS AND AMM EXPENDED, EACH AIM (II) EXPENDED, EACH AIM	(b) Time Over (FOR SHIPS INCLUDE ALL IN AREA UNDER ATTACK) (BASE IN FEET, TYPE AND TENTHS OF COVER) (CLEAR, HAZY, PARTIALLY OBSCURED BY CLOUDS, ETC.) (LEVEL, GLIDE OR DIVE) (NUMBER) Spacing (FEET) Altitude of Cound in the Cound in t	Spacing

(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).

Pour rocket and strafing runs were made on Ishigaki airfield with neutralizing intent. Primary targets were aircraft near field and in revetments. A Betty, a Zeke, one other twin engine plane and three other single engine planes were destroyed. Five additional planes were damaged.

Installations and equipment in the area were also attacked. One truck was destroyed. A shack and two AA emplacements were damaged.

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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

ATTACK OWN TACTICS

Use of Radar

Night Fighting

Recognition, Aircraft

Method of Locating Target Approach to Target Altitudes, Speeds Approach Dive Pull-Out Dive Angle Strafing Retirement Defensive Tactics

DEFENSE, ENEMY

Use of Jamming

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

Twelve PM-2's took off from USS MARCUS ISLAND to rendezvous with 9 TBW-3 and 4 FW-2 from USS PETROFF BAY and execute a neutralization strike on Ishigaki airfield on the island of the same name in the Sakishima group.

The attack was in support of the Okinawa operation. The

flight was led by PETROF BAY planes.

Over the target at 1600, four rocket and straffing runs were made at an angle from 500 to 600 with pushover at 6500' and recovery at approximately 1500'. Attempt was made to single out aircraft on and about the field and in revetments. A group of five single engine planes (though to be Tojos) north of the field were strafed and rocketed in two runs. three being destroyed and burned. The other two were damaged. Credit for the damage is undetermined. Lt(jg) Lider flamed a Betty in a revetment north of the Bast-West runway. A single engine plane, believed to be a Zeke was flamed in a revetment south east of the HE-SW runway by Lt(jg) Skelly. A twin engine plane north of the field was destroyed by Lieut. O'Neill and Lt(Jg) Mooney.

Single engine planes were damaged by Lieut. Poucel, Lt(jg) Wood and Lt(jg) McKeever. Fifty rockets were launched at aircraft and revetments in the area few of which were definitely observed. Approximately eight rockets hit into a group of planes, the condition of which was questionable. The balance of the rockets, twenty two in number were launched at various installations in the vicinity. Results observed were the destruction of a truck and damage to a shack and two AA emplacements. Eight or ten fires were burning

when the flight retired.

Various types of anti-aircraft fire were experienced in moderate intensity. Several bursts of the parachute - streamer type were reported. Only minor damage was sustained. Lt(jg) Skelly received light hits in the elevators and rudder.

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

Use additional sheets if necessary).

No comment warranted.

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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