# I. GENERAL

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e) Mission	Swee	p over Ha	mamat su	Airfield	- Hon	shu		(f) Time of	Return	1010 (-9) Zone
II. OW	'N AIRCRA	FT OFFICIA	LLY COVE	RED BY TH	HIS REI	PORT.				
TYPE	SQUADRON	TAKING	NUMBER	ATTACKING			AND TORPEDO		FU	ZE, SETTING
(a)	(b)	OFF (c)	ENEMY A/C	TARGET (e)			(f)			(g)
			_	11	4 A	10 f	- 500# 5 - 5" H	G.P.	Inst.N	ose/.01 Tail
16F-5	AE-9.1	7	0	4			) == ) 11!	of Bule to	44 50 C 4 44	
16 <b>F</b> -5P	VF-94	1	0	0	1 -	500 #	CP.		Inst.N	ose/.01 Tail
4	VBF-94	3	0	3	6 -	500 # 5" HV.	AR		Inst.N	ose/.015 Bas
III 0.	THER II S	OR ALLIED	AIRCRAFT	EMPLOYE	D IN T	HIS OPE	RATION.			
TYPE	SQUADRON	NUMBER	AIRCKALL	BASE		TYPE	SQUADRO	NUMBER		BASE
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11/ FA	E AIDC	CRAFT OBSE	DVED OR E	NGAGED (	Ry Own	Aircraf	t Listed in	II Only).		
(a)			(4)		(e) ATION OF OUNTER			(f) PEDOES CARRIED OBSERVED	);	CAMOUFLAGE AND
TYPE	OBSERVED	NO. ENGAGING OWN A/C	ENCOUNTERE	ED ENC	OUNTER		GUNS	OBSERVED		MARKING
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	0		(50)	****						
	NE		(ZON	NE)						
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			(Z01	NE)						
(h) Appare	nt Fnemy A	Aission(s)	(ZO)	NE)						
		Aission(s)		***	·1 C1					
Did And (i) Encoun	y Part of iter(s) Occi	ur in Clouds?		***	cribe Cl	ouds	(BASE	IN FEET, TYPE	AND TENTHS	OF COVER)
Did And Encount Time of		ur in Clouds? rilliance	(YES OR NO)				(BASE	IN FEET, TYPE  (k) Vis		OF COVER)  (MILES)
Did And (i) Encound Time of (j) of Sun	y Part of Iter(s) Occurrent of Day and Brown or Moon.	ur in Clouds? rilliance	(YES OR NO)	If so, Desc	Y, OVERCA	ST; ETC.)		( <b>k</b> ) Vis	ibility	(MILES)
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Did And Encount Time of Sun (i) of Sun (a)	y Part of Iter(s) Occur or Day and Broon	rilliance  RAFT DESTE	(YES OR NO)  (NIGHT, BRICA  ROYED OR  GED BY:	If so, Descont MOON; DAY	IN AII	R (By Ov	vn Aircraft	(k) Vis	Dnly).	(MILES)  (d) DAMAGE

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VI	. LOSS	OR DAMA	AGE, COMBAT OR OPERATION	AL, OF OWN AIRCRAFT (of thos	e listed in 11 only).
(a) TYPE OW		(b) SQUADRON	(c)  CAUSE: TYPE ENEMY A/C,  TYPE GUN, OR OPERATIONAL CAUSE	(d) WHERE HIT, ANGLE (List armor, self-sealing tanks, equipment hit)	(e) EXTENT OF LOSS OR DAMAGE, (Give Bureau serial number of planes destroyed)
F6F	-5	VF-94	20 mm	Starboard wing	
2 <b>F</b> 6 <b>F</b>	-5	VF-94	20 mm	Port side of elevator	
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٧	/II. PER	RSONNEL	CASUALTIES (in aircraft listed i	in II only; identify with planes list	ed in VI by Nos. at left).
(a) NO. SQ	(b) Quadron		(c) IAME, RANK OR RATING	(d) CAUSE	(e) CONDITION OR STATUS
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			IRNING	ES RETU	FOR PLAN	TION DATA	D AMMUNI	FUEL, AN	RANGE,	VIII.
(h) NO OF PLANES	DED	INITION EXPEN	TOTAL AMMU	(g)	(f)	(e)	(d)	(c)	(b)	(a)
RETURNING	MM	20MM	50	.30	AV. FUEL -	AV FUEL LOADED	AV HOURS	MILES RETURN	MILES	TYPE A/C
8	(mg)	conth	4000	gene	290	400	4-6	180	180	F6F-5
3	•••	-	1000	gends	305	385	4.6	180	180	F4U-4
	•	-	1000	(PRI)	305	385	4.6	180	180	F4U-4

IX. ENEMY ANTI-AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERED (Ch			MODERATE	INTENSE
CALIBER	NONE	MEAGER	MODERATE	HAILINGL
HEAVY — Time-fused shells, 75mm and over			X	
MEDIUM — Impact-fused shells, 20mm-50mm		X		
LIGHT — Machine oun bullets, 6.5mm-13.2mm			X	

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

SPEED, CLIMB, at various altitudes

None encountered

TURNS
DIVES
CEILINGS
RANGE
PROTECTION
ARMAMENT

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XI. ATTACK ON EN	EMY SHIPS OR	GROUND OBJECT	IVES (By Own Aircraft Listed	in II Only).		
(a) Target(s) and Location	(S) Hamama	tsu Airfield	UNDER ATTACK) (b) Time Ove	er Target(s).	0700 (-9) (Zone)	
(c) Clouds Over Target	2000 - Str	atus - 8/10	, TYPE AND TENTHS OF COVER)			
(d) Visibility of Target	Hazy - obsc	ured by clouds	BY CLOUDS, ETC.)	Visibility	12 (MILES)	
(f) Bombing Tactics: Type	7 Glide	(LEVEL, GLIDE OR DIVE)	Bomb Sight Us	sedMk	(TYPE)	
Bombs Dropped per Rui	1 (NUMBER	Spacing	Altitude	of Bomb Rele	ease 3500 to (FEET)	
(g) Number of Enemy Air	craft Hit on Grou	und: Destroyed	2 Probably Destroyed_	1	_ Damaged <b>1</b>	-
(h) AIMING POINT	DIMENSIONS OR TONNAGE	(j) NO. A/C ATTACKING (k) SQUADRON	BOMBS AND AMMUNITION EXPENDED, EACH AIMING POINT	(m) NO. HITS On Aiming Point	(n)  DAMAGE (None, slight, serious, destroyed or sunk)	
1 Administration	Coo! 0008	2	12 - 5" HVAR 2 - 500 # G.P.		None	
Area - East	600 x200 x	2 - VF-94	2 - 500 # G.P.	1	Serious Damage	
2 Hangar Area - South	600'x 200'	2 - VBF-94		ot observ	Unobserved	Berro
3 2 A/C in Revetmen South of Field		VF-94	600 Rds. 50 cal.	400 1	1 A/C. Destroyed A/C Damaged	
4 1 T/E A/C Revet- ment West of Fiel		VF-94	4 - 5 " HVAR	****	Unobserved	
5 Gun emplacement Hangar Area	30 Diameter	VF-94	2 - 5" HVAR	1	Unobserved	
6 Revetment A/C NW edge of Field	751 x 501	1 VBF-94	4 - 5" HVAR	Not Observed	Not observed	
7 Building Area 1000' S. of Field		2 VBF-94	8 - 5" HVAR	11	11 11	
81 - Val A/C NE end of Field		VBF-94	1000 Rds. 50 cal. 6 - 5" HVAR No	500 Rds	Serious Damage	

NOTE: 1 - VBF-94 (F4U-4) jettisoned bomb over target.

<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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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 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

DEFENSE, ENEMY

Use of Jamming

Evasive Tactics, Ships Concealment Searchlights Night Fighter Tactics Use of Jamming

COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Bombing Tactics Torpedo Tagtics 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

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.)

Sweep Fighter Group Baker, consisting of a photo division (3 VF escorts and 1 VFP), and one VF division and one VBF division, had for its target Hamamatsu Airfield.

Arriving at the target, one photo division (1 VFP and 3 VF escorts) broke off and proceeded to Oi Airfield. Due to 8/10 cover at 6000' at this field and only coverage made was a chance to run at 10000' over a break in the clouds. At Yaizu Airfield, where ceiling was under 1000', obliques were taken at 700'. Fuji Airfield was completely closed. Returning to Hamamatsu a rendezvous was made with the fighter sweep and course set to base.

At Hamamatsu, the VF and VBF division made sectional attacks due to low ceiling. One VF section dropped bombs and rockets in the administration area but due to ceiling conditions, were considerably off the target. The second section together with the VBF division was more fortunate and placed one bomb in the hangar area starting a fair sized fire. Each section and the VBF division then made rocket and strafing runs on individual plane revetments. Hits observed included one aircraft destroyed by each VF section plus one probably destroyed for the first section. One VBF plane found a Val A/C at the north end of the field and seriously damaged it in a strafing run. All planes then rendezvoused and retired to base.

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