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# AIRCRAFT ACTION REPORT

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I. GENERAL

III. OWN AIRCRAFT OFFICIALLY COVERED BY THIS REPORT.    IV. ENEMY AIRCRAFT OBSERVED OR ENGAGED (By Own Aircraft Listed in II Only).	103 Ins
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V. ENEMY AIRCRAFT DESTROYED OR DAMAGED IN AIR (By Own Aircraft Listed in II Only).	MILES)
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VI ATTACK ON EN	ELAV CLIDE OR	GROUND OBJECTI	VFS (By Own Aircraft Listed	in II Only)	
Target(s) and Location	(FOR SHIP	S INCLUDE ALL IN AREA U	NDER ATTACK)	r largerisi	1330-1010
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(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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(p) Were Photographs Taken? Photographs of Damage, When Taken, Should Be Attached By Staple.

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

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

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279321	Anderson	1430	1530-1610	
250321	Mueller	1430	1530-1610	1700
251321	McGuire	1431	1530-1610	1701
282321	Brazeal	1431	1530-1610	1701
283321	Blaisdell	1432	1530-1610	1792
284321	Hartman	1432	1530-1610	1702

On the northeast coast of New Ireland, near Kimiden Planttion, is located a pill-box and gum emplacement area that is in usable condition, or, was, until Major Anderson led his six medium bombers in an afternoon strike at this target.

Off at 1430 on the would 120 Deg. Mag., course down the coast of New Ireland, the squadron arrived in the target vicinity at 1530. The javelin down formation was used.

With a half hour over target scheduled, one dry run and three live bombing runs were made. Three one thousand pounders were in the bombbays, so, by prearrangement, each plane dropped one bomb on each of the three runs. Bombs were dropped visually on the lead plane.

The first two runs were made on a heading of 120 deg. mag., and the third on 180 deg. mag.. All runs were at an altitude of 10,000 and 160 knots i.a.s.

#### EBSULTS:

6 I 1000# @'S hit in target

6 X 1000# GP's hit 150' south of target

6 X 1000% GP'S hit 200' southeast of target.

After their damaging performance the squadron headed home to land at 1700.

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