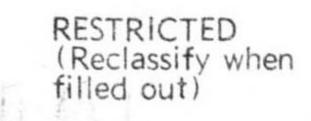
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I. GENERAL

(a) Unit Re	porting	70-83	(b)	Based on or	at US	SARGE	NT BAT	CVE-83) (c) Report N	Vo. 110
(d) Take of	ff: Date	15 Hay 19	45	Time (LZ	T) 071	19 (I)	_(Zone);	Lat.	00 % Lo	ng. 120°-01'
(e) Mission	Direct		support o	f ground	troo.	78 ON 0	kinawa.	(f) Time of	Return_1	(I) (Zone)
II. OV	VN AIRCRA	AFT OFFICIA	ALLY COVE	RED BY T	HIS REI	PORT.				
TYPE	SQUADRON	TAKING	NUMBER ENGAGING ENEMY A/C	ATTACKING			AND TORPEDO		FUZ	ZE, SETTING
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	* 10	the course was to	(f)		50	(g)
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III. O	THER U. S.	OR ALLIED	AIRCRAFT	EMPLOYE	D IN TH	IIS OPER	ATION.			
TYPE	SQUADRON	NUMBER		BASE		TYPE	SQUADRON	NUMBER		BASE
	70-92	4	USS PETE USS MAKI	OF BAY I ISLAID)					
IV. EN	NEMY AIRC	RAFT OBSE	RVED OR E	NGAGED (By Own	Aircraft	Listed in 1	Only).		
(a) TYPE	(b) NO. OBSERVED	NO. ENGAGING OWN A/C	(d)		(e) TION OF OUNTER			(f) EDOES CARRIED; OBSERVED	C	(g) AMOUFLAGE AND MARKING
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			(ZONE	2)						
(i) Encount	Part of ter(s) Occu Day and Br						(BASE I	N FEET, TYPE A		
V. EN	EMY AIRCE	RAFT DESTR					Aircraft Li	sted in 11 O	alv)	(MILES)
(a) TYPE		YED OR DAMAG				10,0111	Airciait E	sted iii ii Oi	(c)	(d)
	TYPE A/C	SQUADRON	PILOT	OR GUNNER		GUNS	USED	WHERE	HIT, ANGLE	DAMAGE CLAIMED
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										(32)
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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) NO. SQUADRON	(c) NAME, RANK OR RATING	(d) CAUSE	(e) CONDITION OR STATUS
	NONE		

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

(a)	(a)	a) (b)	7711223	(c) (d) (e) (ILES AV. HOURS AV. FUEL	(e) (f)	(g) TOTAL AMMUNITION EXPENDED				NO. OF PLANES	
	TYPE A/C				AV. FUEL CONSUMED	.30	.50	20MM	MM	RETURNING	
	TEM	88	32	4,1	325	200		2605			8

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

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

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

SPEED, CLIMB, at various altitudes

TURNS
DIVES
CEILINGS
RANGE

PROTECTION

ARMAMENT

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(OMIT THIS SHEET IF NO ATTACK WAS MADE)

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				IVES (By Own Aircraft Liste	-	
(a)	Target(s) and Location	n(s) (FOR SHIP	SINCLUDE ALE IN AREA	UNDER ATTACK) (b) Time O	ver Target(s)	0935 (I) (Zone)
(c)	Clouds Over Target		(BASE IN FEET	TYPE AND TENTHS OF COVER)		
(d)	Visibility of Target	(CLEAR, HAZ	Y, PARTIALLY OBSCURED	BY CLOUDS, ETC.)	Visibility	(MILES)
(f)	Bombing Tactics: Type	2	(LEVEL, GLIDE OR DIVE)			(TYPE)
	Bombs Dropped per Ru	n / NUMBER	Spacing	(FEET) Altitud	e of Bomb Rel	ease (FEET)
(g)	Number of Enemy Air	craft Hit on Gro	und: Destroyed	Probably Destroyed	7000	_ Damaged
	(h) AIMING POINT	(i) 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	Area 7668	200 X 600	4 TELS	40 - 100 1b. OP	4 72 42	
_	Labo Bild Ra	Tile.	770-83		A11	Sortous
2	A	200 I 400		39 - 100 lb. GP		
	Area 7670 C & T.	7450 e	70-33	28 - 5"(HE) AR	811	Not definite

(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).

- 1. The only specific damage which could be observed was a large oil fire in the area which was still burning when the planes left. There were many bomb and rocket hits in slit tremehes and in what appeared to be emplacements for guns but the extent of the damage could not be determined.
- 2. There were many bomb hits in what appeared to be gum emplacements and other enemy positions but these were not definite and the extent of the damage could not be determined. A locomotive was hit with a recket and by strafing but is did not burn and the damage could not be ascertained.

(n)	Were Photographs	Taken?	Photographs of Damage,	WhenTaken,	Should Be	Attached By Staple.
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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 " 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

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.)

> 16 VT (4 each from VC-93 and VC-91, and 8 from VC-83) launched as direct aircraft support group to operate in Marine sector on southern Okinawa.

12 of the VT (including 4 from VC-83) were directed to hit gun emplacements in area 7668 K-L-R while the other 4 VT were directed to attack emplacements in area 7670 C-V.

The first attack was successfully completed although conditions were far from ideal. The low coiling, poor visibility and large number of planes operating in the immediate vicinity made flying hazardous and there were many mid-air collisions narrowly everted. It was difficult for the pilots to concentrate on the target under such circumstances but on the whole the bombing was very good. A mumber of hits were scored on what were thought to be possible emplacements but with unobserved results. Out into the side of a ridge were several platforms with what appeared to be a metal door behind them in the face of the hill. It is thought that these may have been gun platforms with an arrangement for rolling the gun back into the hill when not in use. These platforms were attacked but the results were not observed. The only specific damage which could be observed was a large oil fire which was still burning when the planes left the area.

The 4 VT assigned to the second target spotted a group of curious emplacements or revetments partially hidden by camouflage. In faint outline it appeared to be a read with a munber of "I" shaped projections. The camouflage offectively concealed whatever may have been hidden there. A mumber of direct bomb hits were obtained but smoke and dust obscured the area and the extent of the damage could not be determined. A hill nearby which contained slit tranches and possible emplecements was also attacked but with unobserved results.

One pilot spotted a locomotive and strafed and rocketed it. The locomotive did not burn or explode and damage was unobserved.

Lts. M. S. WORLEY, W. C. SAUER: Lts. (jg) W. R. ANDREWS, Pilots R. G. PERRY, C. A. KENT, W. ZUSEDT: Ensigns C. W. BUNCH, G. H. HOBERTS.

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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