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		on Okina						(f) Time of	Return_0945	(Zone
II. OW	/N AIRCRA	AFT OFFICIA	ALLY COVER	RED BY TH	HIS REPO	RT.				
TYPE (a)	SQUADRON (b)	TAKING OFF (c)	ENGAGING ENEMY A/C (d)	ATTACKING TARGET (e)			(PER PLAN		FUZE, SE	
TEM-3	TC-85	4		4	487	5.98	P Ir Rockets		.025 sec.D	elay-Tai
III. O	THER U. S.	OR ALLIED	AIRCRAFT	EMPLOYED	IN THIS	OPER#	TION.		3	
TYPE	SQUADRON	NUMBER		BASE		TYPE	SQUADRON	NUMBER	BAS	E
IV. EN	IEMY AIRC	CRAFT OBSE	RVED OR EN	IGAGED (E	By Own Ai	rcraft L	isted in I	I Only)		
(a) TYPE	(b) NO. OBSERVED	NO. ENGAGING OWN A/C	(d)		(e) TION OF DUNTER	T		(f) PEDOES CARRIED; OBSERVED		(g) IFLAGE AND ARKING
			(ZONE)							
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Did Any Encount Time of of Sun	or Moon	ir in Clouds?.	(YES OR NO) (NIGHT, BRIGHT	T MOON; DAY,	OVERCAST;	ETC.)		IN FEET. TYPE AN (k) Visibi	(M	ER)
(a) TYPF	(b) DESTRO	DYED OR DAMAG	SED BY:					(c)	(d) DAMAGE
ENEMY A/C	TYPE A/C	SQUADRON	PILOT	OR GUNNER		GUNS U	SED	WHERE H	IIT, ANGLE	DAMAGE
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VI. LOS	S OR DAM	AGE, COMBAT OR OPERATIONA	L, OF OWN AIRCRAFT (of thos	se listed in II only).
(a) TYPE OWN A/C	(b) SQUADRON	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)
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VII. PERSONNEL CASUALTIES (in aircraft listed in II only; identify with planes listed in VI by Nos. at left).

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CAUSE CONDITION OR STATUS

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

(a) (b) TYPE MILES A/C OUT	(c) MILES	AV. HOURS	AV. FUEL	(f)	(g) TOTAL AMMUNITION EXPENDED				(h) -	
A/C	OUT	RETURN	IN AIR	LOADED	AV. FUEL CONSUMED	.30	.50	20MM	MM	NO. OF PLANES RETURNING
TM-5	80	74	4 hr	330	200	75	1050			4
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IX. ENEMY ANTI-AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERED (Check one block on each line).

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

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

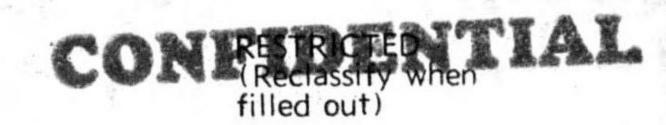
SPEED, CLIMB, at various altitudes

TURNS
DIVES
CEILINGS
RANGE
PROTECTION

ARMAMENT

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(OMIT THIS SHEET IF NO ATTACK WAS MADE)



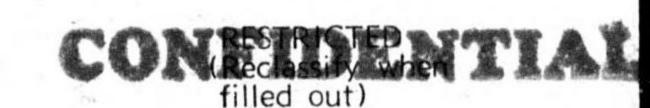
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) Clouds Over Target_	4000		10/10 TYPE AND TENTHS OF COVER)		
) Visibility of Target	Clear HAZ	Y, PARTIALLY OBSCURED	BY CLOUDS, ETC.)	Visibility	10 (MILES)
Bombing Tactics: Typ		(LEVEL, GLIDE OR DIVE)	Bomb Sight L	Jsed	TT (TYPE)
Bombs Dropped per Ru	un	Spacing	(FEET) Altitude	e of Bomb Rel	ease 1800 (FEET)
Number of Enemy Ai	rcraft Hit on Gro	ound: Destroyed	Probably Destroyed	<u> </u>	_ Damaged
(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	DAMAGE (None, slight serious, destroyed or sunk
	The second second		AN TOOL OF	1 2 2 2	Several Guns
Gun Positions	Area 300x100 Yds.	4 TRM-3	40 x 100# GP 31 x 5" HE Rockets	All in Area	Destroyed and
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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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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

DEFENSE, ENEMY

Use of Jamming

Defensive Tactics

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

Four TBM-3s led by Lieutenant (junior grade) Robert W. CROW, USUR, bombed, rocketed and strafed a concentration of enemy gun pesitions which had been reported to be firing on our ground troops.

The target was assigned by CASCU, Commander Task Force 55, and all bombs and rockets were expended in this area. The bombing was very accurate and the ground forces reported to CASCU that several guns had been knocked out and others damaged. The flight was commended on its excellent results.

Meager machine gun fire was encountered by the pilots but no planes were damaged and all returned safely 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

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

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

SIGNATURE

BASE FACILITIES

Plane Servicing Equipment Personnel Facilities

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Two 100# GP bombs hit the target but did not explode.

One pilot reported failure of his VMF transmitter.

One pilot reported that his engine developed an oil leak, covering the windshield and obscuring his vision. This trouble was due to a push rod housing hose clamp becoming insecure.

- . Probably the bombs did not hit on the fuses.
- ** Trouble due to faulty antenna relay which was corrected.

Captain, U. S. Navy,

Commanding Officer,

U.S.S. LUNGA POINT (CVE-94).

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