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T	T		NUMBER  ENGAGING AT ENEMY A/C (d)	TACKING TARGET	BOMBS AND	PER PLANE)		FUZE, SETT	ING
(a)	(b) VC-85	(c)	(d)	7 6 x	5" HE R	ockets			
III. OT	HER U. S. SQUADRON	OR ALLIED NUMBER	AIRCRAFT EA	APLOYED IN TH	IIS OPERAT	TION. SQUADRON	NUMBER	BASE	
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IV. EN (a) YPE	(b) NO. OBSERVED	NO. ENGAGING	ERVED OR ENG	LOCATION OF ENCOUNTER	1	(	Only).  DOES CARRIED; BSERVED	CAMOUF	(g) LAGE AND RKING
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(a) TYPE EMY A/C	(b) DESTR	OYED OR DAM	AGED BY:	OR GUNNER	GUNS U	SED	WHERE HI	T, ANGLE	
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X. COMPARATIVE PERFORMANCE, OWN AND ENEMY AIRCRAFT (use check list at left).

SPEED, CLIMB,
at various altitudes

TURNS
DIVES
CEILINGS
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PROTECTION
ARMAMENT

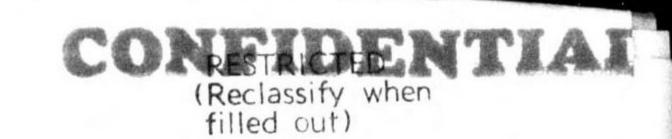
CONFIRM (Reclassify when filled out)

OMIT THIS SHEET IF NO ATTACK WAS MADE)

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	Bombing Tactics: Type -		LEVEL.	GLIDE OR DIVE)		Borr	b Sight Used	1	(TYPE)
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	AIMING POINT	Area 50 yds	k 2	FM-2	12 ×	5" HE	Rockets	4 Direc	t 4 Guns Destroyed
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<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 chowing 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

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

Seven FM-2s of VC-85, led by Lieutenant Albert D. FOSTER, USNR, as Air-Coordinator took off from parent ship, rendezvoused with 12 TNM-3s from three other squadrons and proceeded to Okinawa to attack assigned targets.

Upon arriving on station, the group was ordered to split up, five FM-2s and 8 TBM-3s forming Group No.1 and two FM-2s with four TBM-3s forming Group No.2.

neutralizing effort preparatory to the landings scheduled for the following day. The Air-Coordinator made reconnaissance runs over the area and spotted several cave openings in the side of a hill. A rocket and strafing attack was made and four rockets were seen to hit the cave mouths. Much smoke poured from the caves and it is believed that the positions were heavily damaged if not destroyed. Runs were made from 1500 feet, leveling off at 100 feet altitude. Low attacks were necessary in order to hit the cave openings.

This group next attacked gun positions south of the Ie Shima airfield with unobserved results.

Group No.2 was ordered to attack camouflaged gun positions on Motubu penninsula on northern Okinawa. The FM-2s from VC-85 made rocket and strafing runs on a group of well concealed medium gun positions. Four direct rocket hits were scored and the guns destroyed.

No anti-aircraft fire was encountered and all planes 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

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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One 5" HE Rocket failed to launch, believed due to a loose

pig-tail connection.

FORWARDED:

G. A. T. WASHBURN, Captain, U. S. Mavy. Commanding Officer, U.S.S. LUNGA POINT (CVE-94).

APPROVED BY:

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W. H. KEARNS, Lieut., USNR, ACIO

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FRED C. HERRIMAN, Lt.Cdr., USN, C.O.

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