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Ishigaki, Iriomote Shima.
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1. Enclosure (A) is forwarded herewith.


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XII. TACTICAL AND OPERATIONAL DATA.

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4 PB4Y-1P aircraft led by Lt. C. M. WITT, USNR took off Guiuan Field, Samar 10 March 1945 at 0638 Item for photo reconnaissance of Iriomote and Ishigaki Shima. The flight arrived at the target area at 1215 Item. Iriomote was practically obscured by clouds but Ishigaki was about 50% cloud free and vertical photo coverage was made of the south half of the island. The area covered included both airfields on the island.

The small island of Ruma Shima and the south tip of Iriomote were also photographed. Negre inaccurate heavy AA was encountered over Ishigaki. There was no enemy interception.

The flight landed at base at 1825 Item.

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AIRCRAFT ACTION REPORT

RESTRICTED
(Reclassify when filled out)

I. GENERAL

(a) Unit Reporting VB-5 (b) Based on or at Guinan Field, Samar P.I. (c) Report No. 35
 (d) Take off: Date 10 March 1945 Time (LZT) 0638 Item (Zone); Lat. 11° N Long. 125° 35' E
 (e) Mission Photographic Reconnaissance Ishigaki, Iriomote Shima (f) Time of Return 1825 Item (Zone)

II. OWN AIRCRAFT OFFICIALLY COVERED BY THIS REPORT.

TYPE (a)	SQUADRON (b)	NUMBER			BOMBS AND TORPEDOES CARRIED (PER PLANE) (f)	FUZE, SETTING (g)
		TAKING OFF (c)	ENGAGING ENEMY A/C (d)	ATTACKING TARGET (e)		
PB4Y-1P	VB-5	4	none	4	none	

III. OTHER U. S. OR ALLIED AIRCRAFT EMPLOYED IN THIS OPERATION.

TYPE	SQUADRON	NUMBER	BASE	TYPE	SQUADRON	NUMBER	BASE
S/Sgt	none						

IV. ENEMY AIRCRAFT OBSERVED OR ENGAGED (By Own Aircraft Listed in II Only).

(a) TYPE	(b) NO OBSERVED	(c) NO ENGAGING OWN A/C	(d) TIME ENCOUNTERED	(e) LOCATION OF ENCOUNTER	(f) BOMBS, TORPEDOES CARRIED; GUNS OBSERVED	(g) CAMOUFLAGE AND MARKING
S/E	1	none	1230 Item (ZONE)	On Ishigaki airfield	not observed	not observed
			(ZONE)			
			(ZONE)			

(h) Apparent Enemy Mission(s) Enemy on own field
 Did Any Part of _____
 (i) Encounter(s) Occur in Clouds? _____ If so, Describe Clouds _____
(YES OR NO) (BASE IN FEET, TYPE AND TENTHS OF COVER)
 Time of Day and Brilliance _____
 (j) of Sun or Moon _____ (k) Visibility _____
(NIGHT, BRIGHT MOON; DAY, OVERCAST; ETC.) (MILES)

V. ENEMY AIRCRAFT DESTROYED OR DAMAGED IN AIR (By Own Aircraft Listed in II Only).

(a) TYPE ENEMY A/C	(b) DESTROYED OR DAMAGED BY:				(c) WHERE HIT, ANGLE	(d) DAMAGE CLAIMED
	TYPE A/C	SQUADRON	PILOT OR GUNNER	GUNS USED		
none						

