

AIRCRAFT ACTION REPORT

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(OMIT THIS SHEET IF NO ATTACK WAS MADE)

SECRET

REPORT No. 22

XI. ATTACK ON ENEMY SHIPS OR GROUND OBJECTIVES (By Own Aircraft Listed in II Only).

(a) Target(s) and Location(s) Camouflaged Trucks, Okinawa (b) Time Over Target(s) 1710 (Zone) 9
(FOR SHIPS INCLUDE ALL IN AREA UNDER ATTACK)

(c) Clouds Over Target 20/10 at 1500 feet.
(BASE IN FEET, TYPE AND TENTHS OF COVER)

(d) Visibility of Target Partially obscured by smoke and haze (e) Visibility 10 Miles
(CLEAR, HAZY, PARTIALLY OBSCURED BY CLOUDS, ETC.) (MILES)

(f) Bombing Tactics: Type Glide Bomb Sight Used Mark 8
(LEVEL, GLIDE OR DIVE) (TYPE)

Bombs Dropped per Run 10 or 12 Spacing Select Altitude of Bomb Release 1000 Feet.
(NUMBER) (FEET) (FEET)

(g) Number of Enemy Aircraft Hit on Ground: Destroyed None Probably Destroyed None Damaged None

(h) AIMING POINT	(i) DIMENSIONS OR TONNAGE	(j) NO. A/C ATTACKING (k) SQUADRON	(l) BOMBS AND AMMUNITION EXPENDED, EACH AIMING POINT	(m) NO HITS On Aiming Point	(n) DAMAGE (None, slight, serious, destroyed or sunk)
1 Straw camouflaged objects, reported to be trucks.	10 Feet X 10 Feet	5 VT-43	52 100# G.P.	30	Serious
2					
3 Underground storage area.	Large hill with cement doorways at base about 8 Ft. X 8 Ft.	1 VT-43	12 100# G.P.	12	Probably None
4					
5					
6 Storage buildings.	40 Feet X 60 Feet.	1 VT-43	6 100# G.P.	6	Serious - large fire started.
7					
8					

(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. Air Coordinator directed planes to search out and attack camouflaged trucks reported to be in grid squares 7669, 7769 and 7869. A search was made at altitudes as low as 750 feet. Ten or more suspiciously placed straw covered objects along the road were bombed by 5 planes. Three burned, one with heavy black smoke.

2. One pilot could find nothing resembling camouflaged trucks, but did see a small hill with concrete arched doorways at its base. He judged this to be an underground storage cave and bombed it. Bombs hit the hill and doorways without making any apparent impression. It is felt that the structure was too substantial to be damaged by 100# G.P. bombs.

3. One pilot used six bombs on the straw covered objects and then saw three low buildings at the edge of a wooded area in grid square 7769 E which appeared to be storage buildings. He placed six bombs in the area and a large fire was started.

(p) Were Photographs Taken? No. Photographs of Damage, When Taken, Should Be Attached By Staple.

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XIII. MATERIAL DATA. (Comment freely on performance or suitability, following check list at left.
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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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