

AIRCRAFT ACTION REPORT

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I. GENERAL

(a) Unit Reporting CAG-94 (b) Based on or at USS LEXINGTON (c) Report No. CAG94-20
 (d) Take off: Date 30 July 1945 Time (LZT) 1200 I (Zone); Lat. 33-30 N Long 138-01 E
 (e) Mission Destroy A/C - Mikatagahara field (f) Time of Return 1700 I (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)		
F4U-4	VB-94	2	0	2	1 x 500 GP 4 x HVAR	Inst/.01 Inst/.015
SB2C-4	VB-94	10	0	10	2 x 500 GP 4 x HVAR	Inst/.01 Inst/.015

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

TYPE	SQUADRON	NUMBER	BASE	TYPE	SQUADRON	NUMBER	BASE
		N					
		O					
		N					

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

(a) TYPE	(b) NO. OBSERVED	(c) No. ENGAG. OWN A/C	(d) TIME ENCOUNTERED	(e) LOCATION OF ENCOUNTER	(f) BOMBS, TORPEDOES CARRIED; GUNS OBSERVED	(g) CAMOUFLAGE AND MARKING
		N	(ZONE)			
		O				
		N	(ZONE)			
		E	(ZONE)			

(h) Apparent Enemy Mission(s) ---
 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:			GUNS USED	(c) WHERE HIT, ANGLE	(d) DAMAGE CLAIMED
	TYPE A/C	SQUADRON	PILOT OR GUNNER			
		N				
		O				
		N				
		E				

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(OMIT THIS SHEET IF NO ATTACK IS MADE)

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

(a) Target(s) and Location(s) A/C Mikatagahara (b) Time Over Target(s) 1300-1400 (Zone) I
(FOR SHIPS INCLUDE ALL IN AREA UNDER ATTACK)

(c) Clouds Over Target 0
(BASE IN FEET, TYPE AND TENTHS OF COVER)

(d) Visibility of Target Hazy (e) Visibility 20
(CLEAR, HAZY, PARTIALLY OBSCURED BY CLOUDS, ETC.) (MILES)

(f) Bombing Tactics: Type Glide Bomb Sight Used Seaman's Eye
(LEVEL, GLIDE OR DIVE) (TYPE)

Bombs Dropped per Run 1 Spacing _____ Altitude of Bomb Release 2500-4000
(NUMBER) (FEET) (FEET)

(g) Number of Enemy Aircraft Hit on Ground: Destroyed 4 Probably Destroyed 0 Damaged 10

(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 A/C		2 VBF	2 x 500 GP HVAR and 50 cal.	Yes	Note 1 - 2
2 A/C		10 VB	20 x 500 GP HVAR and 20 mm.	Yes	Note 1 - 2
3					
4					
5					
6					
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.)

1-2 - Revetted a/c and a/c parked under nets and trees along roads as far as 5 miles north of the airfield. Repeated runs were made, especially against a small group of Betty's 1 mile north of field. VBF saw at least three a/c burning from the VB attack.

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

XII. TACTICAL AND OPERATION DATA.

Strike Resume:

VB led 10 VB and 2 VBF over land to target from the south. After repeated attacks, flight retired to the south and returned to base.

VB Narrative:

VB attacked 4 times in bombing, rocket and strafing runs from SW and SE, using a loose ABC formation and remaining over the target 40 minutes. Upon expending all ammo, returned to base.

VBF Narrative:

Two VBF made repeated runs with VB. Enroute to and from target flew close cover as well as possible with only two aircraft.

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XIII MATERIAL DATA

No comments.

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