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OPERATION NOS. Izumi A/F - BULLISH 4
9 thru 95 Tomitaka A/F - SKEWER 1
22 April 45 Kanoya A/F - CHECKBOOK 5
Kushira A/F - AEROSCOPE 2
Miyazaki A/F - NECKCLOTH 1

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OPERATION NOS. 91 THRU 95
Izumi A/F - BULLISH 4
Tomitaka A/F - SKEWER 1
Kanoya A/F - CHECKBOOK 5
Kushira A/F - AEROSCOPE 2
Miyazaki A/F - NECKCLOTH 1
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SPECIFIC SUBJECT	TYPE OF MESSAGE	MESSAGE NO.	DATE AND TIME SENT	DATE AND TIME REC'D	INITIAL
Kyushu Strikes for 22 Apr	Telecon	FN-21-14		210635Z	BGR
Brief g FO	"	FN-21-21		211050Z	BGR

2-5-2450-150

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TELECON MSG FN-21-21 [illegible] OP TOP SECRET 21091[illegible]

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TOP SECRET

FROM LEMAY COMGENBOMCOM 21

TO COMAF 20

INFO: DEPCOMAF 20,
GR-75

SUBJECT: BRIEF ON FIELD ORDER FOR 22 APRIL STRIKE.

TEN SQUADRONS ARE SCHEDULED TO ATTACK AIRFIELDS AND INSTALLATIONS ON KYUSHU ON 22 APRIL 1945 UNESCORTED.

	PRIMARY VISUAL		FORCE REQUIRED
91	IZUMI AIRFIELD	Bullish 4	2 SQUADRONS
92	TOMITAKA AIRFIELD	Skewer 1	2 SQUADRONS
93	KANOYA AIRFIELD	Checkbook 5	2 SQUADRONS
94	KUSHIRA AIRFIELD	Aeroscope 2	2 SQUADRONS
95	MIYAZAKA AIRFIELD	Neckcloth 1	2 SQUADRONS

Please compute fields with code names (A)

ROUTE BASE TO IWO JIMA TO TARGET TO IWO JIMA TO BASE. BOMBING WILL BE VISUAL IF POSSIBLE, RADAR IF NECESSARY. BOMB LOAD 500 LB GP'S FUSED INSTANTANEOUSLY AND LONG DELAY. AIR SEA RESCUE FACILITIES REQUESTED.

Classified to SECRET 5-8-46 By Authority of C. G. AAF, by Ray G. Baker
Ray G. Baker, Capt. A. C.

...END...
TOD...211050Z WW
49&34 ; 2:4

TOP SECRET

ROGER V WCR

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TELECOM MESSAGE XN-21-14 OP TOP SECRET 270&13Z

FROM: BOMCOM XXI

TO : CINVPOA (ADV)

INFO: COMAX 20

DEPCOMAF 20

GR-789 SUBJECT: KYUSHU STRIKES FOG 22 APRIL:

WEATHER FORECAST KYUSHU GOOD FOR VISUAL SRIKES ON 22 APRIL. SCHEDULING ~~70~~ 10 SUADRONS TOTALLING APPROXIMATELY ~~170~~ 110 AIRCRAFT AGAINST FIVE AIRFIELDS. TWO SQUADGONS WILL STRIKE EACH OF THE FOLLOWING FIELDS. KANOYA, IZUMI, KUSHIRA, MIYAZAKI, AND AMIAKA. STRIKES WILL START AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE AND WILL CONTINUE UNTIL ~~1000~~ 1800 OCLOCK ING. BOMB LOAD WILL BE 500 POUND GP BOMBS XUSEB HALF INSTANTANEOUS AMD HALF LONG DELAY FROM 1 TO 24 HOURS.

...END...

TOD:210635Z DM O ROGER 27035E WCG

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SPECIFIC SUBJECT	TYPE OF MESSAGE	MESSAGE NO.	DATE AND TIME SENT	DATE AND TIME REC'D	INITIAL
Take Off for Neckcloth	Telecon	FN-21-27		211600Z	BGR
" " " Bullist & Skewer	"	FN-21-28		211605Z	BGR
" " " Checkbook & Receipts	"	FN-21-29		211611Z	BGR
Take Off Report	"	FN-21-31		211755Z	BGR
Corrected TO Rpt	"	FN-22-6		220155Z	@

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19

WASHINGTON PARTIES

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TELECON MESSAGE FN-22-6 SECRET OP OP 220110Z. R-VAMFG

FROM : BOMCOM XXI

REC'D COPY

TO : COMAF 20

INFO : DEPCOMAF 20 (POA)

SUBJECT: CORRECTED TAKE OFF REPORT FOR AEROSCOPE TWO AND CHECKBOOK FIVE, 22 APRIL 1945.

MISSION	CHECKBOOK FIVE	AEROSCOPE TWO
WING	313	313
SCHEDULED	25	21
AIRBORNE	23	18
FIRST A/C	211358Z	211429Z
LAST A/C	211533Z	211537Z
EARLY RETURNS	1	4

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END

TOD 220155Z DM
ROGER 220155Z WCR

SECRET

DISTRIBUTION

ACTION	C/S	DC/S Opr	DC/S Adm	A-1	A-2	A-3 Tng	A-3 OC&R	A-4	A-5 Plans	
	A.G.	Surg	Air Insp	PRO	Comm Op	Anal	Stat Con			
INFORMATION	C/S	DC/S Opr	DC/S Adm	A-1	A-2	A-3 Tng	A-3 OC&R	A-4	A-5 Plans	
	A.G.	Surg	Air Insp	PRO	Comm. Op	Anal	Stat Con			

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TELECON MESSAGE FN-21-31 OP 20 SECRET 211755Z

FROM: BOMCOM 21

TO: COMAF 20

INFO: DEPCOMAF 20 (POA)

GR44

SUBJECT: TAKE OFF REPORT FOR MISSIONS 91-92-93-94-95, 22 APRIL 1945.

1 MISSION BULLISH 4 SKEWER 1 AEROSCOPE 2 CHECKBOOK 5 NECKCLOTH 1

2 WING	73	73	313	313	314
3 A/C SCHEDULED	22	22	25	21	22
4 A/C AIRBORNE	21	18	23	20	22
5 FIRST A/C	211425Z	211550Z	211358Z	211500Z	211430Z
6 LAST A/C	211505Z	211600Z	211533Z	211506Z	211521Z

THIS MESSAGE DISPATCHED FROM BOMCOM 21 CONTROL ROOM AT 211755Z

END

TOD...212017Z 1K

ROGER 212017Z WCR

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SECRET

TELECON MESSAGE FN-21-28 OP OP SECRET 211458Z

FROM: BOMCOM 21

TO: COMAF 28

INFO: DEPCOMAF 20 (POA)O SUBJECT: FIRST TAKE OFF FOR BULLISH NR 4 AND SKEWER NO. 1.
FIRST AIRCRAFT AIRBORNE AT 211425Z.

WEAHTER PGEVIOUSLY SENT ON OUR MESSAGE DTG 211450Z. (See FN-21-27)

...END...

TOD:

~~FOR BULLISH NMXXX NUMBER 4 AND SKEWER NO. 1~~

OK

TOD..

~~YES THAT IS CORRECT~~

TOD 211605Z IK

ROGER 211605Z WCR

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~~THA IS FN-21-27~~

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TELECON MESSAGE FN-21-27 OP OP SECRT 211450Z

FROM: BOMCOM 21

TO: COMAF 20

INFO: DEPCOMAF 20 (POA)

SUBJECT: FIRST TAKE OFF FOR NECKCLOTH NR1

FIRST AIRCRAFT AIRBORNE AT 211430Z.

BASE AT TAKE OFF: 4-6/10 LOW CLOUD BASE 1800 FEET TOPS 6-8000 FT WITH FEW LIGHT SHOWERS.

ROUTE TO TARGET: WEAK FRONT BETAEEN 21 AND 23 DEGREES NORTH AITH 8/10 LOW CLOUD BASE 1000 FT TOP 8-10000 FEET AND MIDDLE CLOUD IN LAYERS OF 7/10 FROM 10000 TO 14000 FEET AND SHOWERS. SOUTH OFO FRO CLOUD DIMINISHING RAPIDLY TO 3 TO 4/10 BASE 2500 TOPS 4 TO 5000 FT.

TARGES: 3/10 LOW CLOUD BASE 2000 FT TOPS 4000 FT WITH LIGHT HAZE LIMITING VISIBILITY TO 10 MILES.

BASE ON RETURN: 4 TO 6/10 LOW CLOUD BASE 1600 TOPS 8 TO 10000 FEET AND OCCASSIONAL LIGHT TO MODERATE SHOWRS.

...END...

TOD:

IN LAYERS OF 7/10 FROM 10000 TO 14000 FEET AND SHOWERS. SOUTH OF FRONT 4 TO 6/70 LOW CLOUD BASE 2000 TOPS 6000 FEET. NORTH OF FRONT CLOUD DIMINISHING RAPIDLY TO 3 TO 4/10 BAW

TOD 211600Z IK

ROGER 211600Z WCR

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TELECON MESSAGE FN-21-29 OF OP SECRET 211505Z

FROM: BOMCOM 21

TO: COMAF 20

INFO: DEPCOMAF 20 (POA)

SUBJECT: FIRST TAKE OFF FOR CHECKBOOK NR 5 AND AEROSCOPE NR 2

FIRST AIRCRAFT AIRBORNE AT 211458Z.

WEATHR PREVIOUSLY SENT ON OUR MESSAGE DTG 211450Z. (See FN - 21-27)

...END...

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TOD: 211611Z IK

ROGER 211611Z WCR

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Return Rpt	Tele	FN-22-13		220946Z	C
Return Rpt correction	"	—		221025Z	C
1st BA Rpt N'cloth 1	Tele	FN-21-32		212312Z	C
1st BA Rpt Bullish 4	"	FN-21-33		212330Z	C
1st BA Rpt Aero 2	"	FN-21-34		212337Z	C
1st BA Rpt Chkbk 5	"	FN-22-2		220020Z	C
1st BA Rpt Skewer 1	"	FN-22-3		220023Z	C
Add'l BA Rpt Chkbk, Aerospe	"	FN-22-7		220200Z	C
BA Recap	"	FN-22-5		220049Z	C

BOMB STRIKE
RETURN RPTS

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TELECON MESSAGE FN-22-7 SECRET OP OP 2201202

R-YAMIFG

FROM : BOMCOM XXI

TO : COMAF 20

INFO : DEPCOMAF 20 (POA)

SECRET

SUBJECT: BOMBS AWAY REPORT FOR AEROSCOPE TWO, MISSION 92 AND ADDITIONAL BOMBS AWAY FOR CHECKBOOK FIVE, MISSION 93, 22 APRIL 1945.

1. AEROSCOPE TWO, MISSION 92: 2 LEAD A/C REPORTED BOMBS AWAY ACCOUNTING FOR: 9 A/C BOMBED PRIMARY VISUALLY WITH EXCELLENT RESULTS.

2. CHECKBOOK FIVE, MISSION 93: ADDITIONAL BOMBS AWAY: 1 LEAD A/C REPORTED BOMBS AWAY ACCOUNTING FOR: 11 A/C BOMBED PRIMARY VISUALLY WITH EXCELLENT RESULTS.

END

TOD 2202002 DM

ROGER 2202002 WCR

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DISTRIBUTION

ACTION	C/S	DC/S Opr	DC/S Adm	A-1	A-2	A-3 Tng	A-3 OC&R	A-4	A-5 Plans
	A.G.	Surg	Air Insp	PRO	Comm Op Anal	Stat Con			
INFORMATION	C/S	DC/S Opr	DC/S Adm	A-1	A-2	A-3 Tng	A-3 OC&R	A-4	A-5 Plans
	A.G.	Surg	Air Insp	PRO	Comm. Op Anal	Stat Con			

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TELECON MESSAGE FN-22-5 OP SECRET 220040Z

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REC'D C SECRET

FROM: BOMCOM XXI

TO: COMAF 20

INFO: DEPCOMAF 20 (POA)

SUBJECT: BOMBS AWAY REPORTS FOR MISSIONS 91 (BULLISH FOUR). 93 (NECK CLOTH ONE). 94 (SKEWER ONE), AND 95 (CHECKBOOK FIVE), 22 ARXX APRIL 1945.

1. BULLISH FOUR, MISSION 91. 2 LEAD A/C REPORTED BOMBS AWAY ACCOUNTING RPT FOR:

19 A/C BOMBED PRIMARY VISUALLY WITH 9 A/C EXCELLENT RESULTS AND 10 A/C GOOD RESULTS.

2. NECK CLOTH ONE, MISSION 93: 2 LEAD A/C REPORTED BOMBS AWAY ACCOUNTIN FOR:

22 A/C BOMBED PRIMARY VISUALLY WITH 11 A/C GOOD RESULTS AND 11 A/C EXCELLENT RESULTS.

3. SKEWER ONE, MISXXX MISSION 94: 2 LEAD A/C REPORTED BOMBS AWAY ACCOUNTING FOR:

18 A/C BOMBED PRIMARY VISUALLY WITH EXCELLENT RESULTS.

4. CHECKBOOK FIVE, MISSION 95: 1 LEAD A/C REPORTED BOMBS AWAY ACCOUNTIN FOR:

15 A/C BOMBED PRIMARY VISUALLY WITH EXCELLENT RESULTS.

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TOD 220049Z DM

ROGER 220049Z WCR

ORIGINATOR OF MESSAGE

DISTRIBUTION	C/S	DC/S Opr	DC/S Adm	A-1	A-2	A-3 Tng	A-3 OC&R	A-4	A-5 Plans
ACTION	A.G.	Surg	Air Insp	PRO	Comm	Op Anal	Stat Con		
	C/S	DC/S Opr	DC/S Adm	A-1	A-2	A-3 Tng	A-3 OC&R	A-4	A-5 Plans
INFORMATION	A.G.	Surg	Air Insp	PRO	Comm.	Op Anal	Stat Con		

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TELECON MESSAGE FN-22-3 OP SECRET 220007Z

FROM: COM GEN LEMAY XXI BOMCOM

TO: COMAF 20

INFO: DPE COMXXX DEPCOMAF 20 (POA)

SUBJECT: FIRST BOMBS AWAY REPORT ON SKEWER NR.1.

FIRST AIRCRAFT BOMBED PRIMARY TARGET AT 212336Z. VISUALLY WITH EXCELLENT RESULTS.

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TOD 220023Z DM

ROGER 220023Z WCR

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ORIGINATOR OF MESSAGE_____

DISTRIBUTION

ACTION	C/S	DC/S Opr	DC/S Adm	A-1	A-2	A-3 Tng	A-3 OC&R	A-4	A-5	Plans
	A.G.	Surg	Air Insp	PRO	Comm	Op Anal	Stat Con			
INFORMATION	C/S	DC/S Opr	DC/S Adm	A-1	A-2	A-3 Tng	A-3 OC&R	A-4	A-5	Plans
	A.G.	Surg	Air Insp	PRO	Comm.	Op Anal	Stat Con			

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TELECON MESSAGE FN-22-2 SECRET OP 220005Z

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FROM: COM GEN LEMAY XXI BOMCOM

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TO: COMAF 29

INFO: DPECOMAF 20 (POA)

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CT: FIRST BOMBS AWAY REPORT ON CHECKBOOK NR.5.

FIRST AIRCRAFT BOMBED PRIMARY TARGET AT 212345Z. VISUALLY WITH EXCELLENT RESULTS.

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TOD 220020Z DM

ROGER 220020Z WCR

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ACTION	C/S	DC/S Opr	DC/S Adm	A-1	A-2	A-3 Tng	A-3 OC&R	A-4	A-5 Plans	
	A.G.	Surg	Air Insp	PRO	Comm Op	Anal	Stat Con			
INFORMATION	C/S	DC/S Opr	DC/S Adm	A-1	A-2	A-3 Tng	A-3 OC&R	A-4	A-5 Plans	
	A.G.	Surg	Air Insp	PRO	Comm. Op	Anal	Stat Con			

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TELECON MESSAGE FN-21-34 OP SECRET 2124XXX 212330Z

SECRET

FROM: COM GEN LEMAY XXI BOMCOM

TO: COMAF 20

INFO: DEPCOMAF 20 (POA)

SUBJECT: FIRST BOMBS AWAY REPORT ON AEROSCOPE NR.2.

FIRST AIRCRAFT BOMBED PRIMARY TARGET AT 212259Z. VISUALLY WITH EXCELLENT RESULTS.

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TOD 212337Z DM

ROGER 212337Z WCR

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ACTION	C/S	DC/S Opr	DC/S Adm	A-1	A-2	A-3 Trng	A-3 OC&R	A-4	A-5 Plans
	A.G.	Surg	Air Insp	PRO	Comm Op Anal		Stat Con		
INFORMATION	C/S	DC/S Opr	DC/S Adm	A-1	A-2	A-3 Trng	A-3 OC&R	A-4	A-5 Plans
	A.G.	Surg	Air Insp	PRO	Comm. Op Anal		Stat Con		

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TELECON MESSAGE FN-21-33 OP XXX SECRET 212325Z

FROM: COM GEN LEMAY XXI BOMCOM

TO: COMAF 20

INFO: DEPCOMAF 20 (POA)

SUBJECT: FIRST BOMBS AWAY REPORT ON BULLISH NR.4.

FIRST AIRCRAFT BOMBED PRIMARY TARGET AT 212253Z. VISUALLY WITH EXCELLENT RESULTS.

SECRET

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TOD 212330Z DM K

ROGER 212330Z WCR

ORIGINATOR OF MESSAGE _____

DISTRIBUTION

ACTION	C/S	DC/S Opr	DC/S Adm	A-1	A-2	A-3 Tng	A-3 OC&R	A-4	A-5 Plans	
	A.G.	Surg	Air Insp	PRO	Comm Op Anal	Stat Con				
INFORMATION	C/S	DC/S Opr	DC/S Adm	A-1	A-2	A-3 Tng	A-3 OC&R	A-4	A-5 Plans	
	A.G.	Surg	Air Insp	PRO	Comm. Op Anal	Stat Con				

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TELECON MESSAGE FN-21-32 OP SECRET 212255Z

FROM: COM GEN LEMAY XXI BOMCOM

TO: COMAF 20

INFO: DEPCOMAF 20 (POA)

SUBJECT: FIRST BOMBS AWAY REPORT ON NECKCLOTH NR.1.

FIRST AIRCRAFT BOMBED PRIMARY TARGET AT 212243Z VISUAL WITH EXCELLENT RESULTS. 11 AIRCRAFT.

..END...

TOD: 212312Z DM

ROGER 212312Z WCR

SECRET

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ORIGINATOR OF MESSAGE _____

DISTRIBUTION _____

ACTION	C/S	DC/S Opr	DC/S Adm	A-1	A-2	A-3 Tng	A-3 OC&R	A-4	A-5 Plans	
	A.G.	Surg	Air Insp	PRO	Comm Op Anal		Stat Con			
INFORMATION	C/S	DC/S Opr	DC/S Adm	A-1	A-2	A-3 Tng	A-3 OC&R	A-4	A-5 Plans	
	A.G.	Surg	Air Insp	PRO	Comm. Op Anal		Stat Con			

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CORRECTION ON TELECON MSG GN-XXXX FN-22-13 DTG 220840Z

IN NR. 6 IN LAST A/C: THIRD GROUP OF GIUREXXX FIGURES SHOULD READ 220651Z RPT 220651Z INSTEAD OF 2206515" WE GOT AN EXTRA IMPULSE IN TAPE K ALSO IN NR. 2 OF NR 7 SHOULD READ WING: INSTED RPT INSTEAD OF WING:5

OPR

END

TOD: 221025Z YAMFG

ORIGINATOR OF MESSAGE _____

DISTRIBUTION

ACTION	C/S	DC/S Opr	DC/S Adm	A-1	A-2	A-3 Trng	A-3 OC&R	A-4	A-5 Plans
	A.G.	Surg	Air Insp	PRO	Comm Op Anal		Stat Con		
INFORMATION	C/S	DC/S Opr	DC/S Adm	A-1	A-2	A-3 Trng	A-3 OC&R	A-4	A-5 Plans
	A.G.	Surg	Air Insp	PRO	Comm. Op Anal		Stat Con		

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TELECON ~~MESSAGE~~ FN-22-13 OP OP SECRET 220840Z

FROM: BOM COM XXI

SECRET

TO : COMAF 20

INFO: DEPCOMAF 20 (POA)

GR 75

SUBJECT: RETURN REPORT FOR BULLISH FOUR, MISSION 91; AEROSCOPE TWO, MISSION 92, NECK CLOTH, MISSION 93; SKEWER ONE, MISSION 94; CHECKBOOK FIVE, MISSION 95, 22 APRIL 1945.

XXI BOMBER COMMAND

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1. MISSION:	BULLISH FOUR	AEROSCOPE TWO	NECK CLOTH ONE	SKEWER ONE
2. WING:	73	313	314	73
3. AIRBORNE:	21	24	22	18
4. LANDED HOME BASE:	20	22	20	18
5. LANDED AWAY FROM BASE: 1 (IWO)		2	2	0

INFORMATION A.G. Surg Air Insp [illegible]

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FROM: BOM COM XXI

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TO : COMAF 20

INFO: DEPCOMAF 20 (POA)

GR 75

SUBJECT: RETURN REPORT FOR BULLISH FOUR, MISSION 91; AEROSCOPE TWO, MISSION 92, NECK CLOTH, MISSION 93; SKEWER ONE, MISSION 94; CHECKBOOK FIVE, MISSION 95, 22 APRIL 1945.

XXI BOMBER COMMAND

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1. MISSION:	BULLISH FOUR	AEROSCOPE TWO	NECK CLOTH ONE	SKEWER ONE
2. WING:	73	313	314	73
3. AIRBORNE:	21	24	22	18
4. LANDED HOME BASE:	20	22	20	18
5. LANDED AWAY FROM BASE:	1 (IWO)	2	2	0
6. FIRST A/C	220414Z	220438Z	220500Z	220458Z
LAST A/C:	220640Z	220702Z	220651Z	220629Z
7. EARLY RETURNS:	1	3	0	0

XXI BOMBER COMMAND

1. MISSION: CHECKBOOK FIVE
2. WING: 313
3. AIRBORNE: 18
4. LANDED HOME BASE: 16
5. LANDED AWAY FROM BASE: 2
6. FIRST A/C: 220457Z
   LAST A/C: 220631Z
7. EARLY RETURNS: 4

SECRET

NOTE: ADD ONE A/C AIRBORNE CHECKBOOK FIVE TO CONSOLIDATED TAKEOFF REPORT

THIS MSG DISPTACHED FROM XXI BOM COM CONTROL ROOM AT 220840Z

END

TOD: 220946Z YAMFG

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ROGER TELECON MESSAGE GN-22-13 220946Z V WCR

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SPECIFIC SUBJECT	TYPE OF MESSAGE	MESSAGE NO.	DATE AND TIME SENT	DATE AND TIME REC'D	INITIAL
Briefers Report	-	-	as of 221100Z		W
Preliminary Mission Reports	Telecon	~~22-18~~ ~~22-18~~	221355Z		S
" " "	"	~~22-18~~ 22-19	221410Z		S
" " "	"	22-20	221450Z		S

PRELIMINARY
MISSION RPT

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TELECON MSG FN-22-20 SECRET OP 221450Z

YAMFG

FROM: BOM COM XXI

TO : COMAF 20

INFO: DEPCOMAF 20 (POA)

GR 398

SUBJECT: PRELIMINARY MISSION REPORT: AEROSCOPE 2, STK 92, CHECK-BOOK 5, STK 95, 22 APRIL 1945.

1. NAME OF PRIMARY: STK 92- KUSHIRA A/F. STK 95 KANOYA A/F

2. NAME OF SECONDARY: ANY A/F

3. NAME OF LAST RESORT: NONE

4. TARGET OF OPPORTUNITY: NONE

5. A/C ATTACKING PRIMARY: STK 92- --11 A/C DROPPED 188 X 500 LB GP M-64 BY VISUAL MEANS THRU 0/10 CLOUD FROM 16,000 FT AT 212258Z

STK 95: 21 A/C DROPPED 359 X 550 LB GP M-64 BY VISUAL MEANS THRU 0/10 CLOUD FROM 15,000 FT TO 15,500 FT AT 212233Z TO 212245Z

6. A/C ATTACKING SECONDARY: (KANOYA A/F) STK 92 - 3 A/C DROPPED 41 X 550 LB GP M-64 BY VISUAL MEANS THRU 0/10 CLOUD FROM 15,400 TO 16,500 FT AT 212345Z

7. AXC ATTACKING LAST RESORT: NONE

8. A/C ATTACKING TARGET OF OPPORTUNITY: NONE

9. NO. A/C TAKING OFF: 42 A/C AIRBORNE AT 211358Z TO 215333Z

10. NO. A/C EARLY RETURN: 7 A/C RETURNED EARLY, OF WHICH NONE BOMBED TARGETS.

11. NO. A/C LOST OR MISSING: NONE

12. BOMBING RESULTS: PRIMARY: CREWS REPORTED GOOD TO EXCELLENT
SECONDARY: CREWS REPORTED GOOD TO EXCELLENT

13. PERSONNEL CASUALTIES: KILLED NONE. WOUNDED 10 CRASH LANDING OF AN EARLY RETURN) MISSING: NONE

14. ENEMY AIR OPPOSITION: IP TO KANOYA, 3 TONYS, 4 TOJOS, 3 ZEKES, 2 U/I - 1 ATTACK. KANOYA AREA - 2 TONYS, 5 TOJOS, 1 ZEKE, 1 S/E U/I - 3 ATTACKS. BREAKWAY FROM KANOYA TO ~~LANDSPEND~~ LANDS END - 4 ZEKES, 5 TOJOS, 3 TONYS, 2 S/E U/I - 7 ATTACKS KUSHIRA AREA 10 TOJOS, 2 ZEKES, 1 TONY, 7 OSCARS, 20 S/E U/I - 6 ATTACKS. BREADWAY FROM KUSHIRA TO LANDS END - 6 OSCARS, 8 TOJOS, 8 S/E U/I - 8 ATTACKS.

15. AA FIRE: MEAGER TO MODERATE AND FAIRLY ACCURATE IN TARGET AREA.

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16. FIGHTER SUPPORT: NONE

17. WEATHER: CAVU WINDS: 290 DEG, 40 KTS.

18. IMPORTANT OBSERVATIONS: 24 BOATS, 10 SHIPS IN HARBOR AT ABUR-
ATSU ONE MEDIUM AND FOUR SMALL SHIPS THREE MILES NORTH OF CAPE
HI SAKI. 10 SMALL VESSELS 1 MILE S OF KANOYA. POSITION DOUBTFUL).
6-8 SMALL VESSELS IN TAKAYAMA BAY, 10 SHIPS, 3 LARGE, BY RADAR
12-15 MILES N OF YAKUSHIMA. E/A OBSERVED ON: KANOYA E A/F:
10-12 T/E, 3 S/E KANOYA A/F: 30 S/E, 19 T/E. TAKEYAMA A/F:
15 U/I

19. ESTIMATE CLAIMS: DESTROYED: NONE PROBABLY DESTROYED: 1, ~~DAMAGED~~
DAMAGED: 3

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20. OTHER INFORMATION: FUSING OF BOMBS: 10 BOMBS PER A/C M124 LONG
DELAY FUSE; BALANCE INST NOSE, ND TAIL.

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19. ESTIMATED CLAIMS: DESTROYED: NONE PROBABLY DESTROYED:
1 DAMAGED 3

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FROM: BOM COM XXI

TO : COMAF 20

INFO: DEPCOMAF 20 (POA)

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SUBJECT: PRELIMINARY MISSION REPORT BULLISH 4 STRIKE 91, AND SKEWER 1 STRIKE 94, 22 APRIL 1945.

1. PRIMARY: IZUMI A/F (MISSION 91) TOMITAKA A/F (MISSION 94)

2. SECONDARY: RADAR: KAGASHIMA A/F

3. LAST RESORT: NONE ASSIGNED

4. OPPORTUNITY: SHIMIZU CITY (MISSION 91)

5. A/C ATACKING PRIMARY: 19 B-29'S DROPPED FOLLOWING BOMBS ON IZUMI A/F XROM 16,250 TO 17,500 FT AT 212252 TO 212305Z VISUALLY THRU 0/10 CLOUDS:

133 X AN-M64 (TNT) INST NOSE, NON-DELAY TAIL
19 X " " NO NOSE, 1-HR DELAY TAIL.
19 X " " NO NOSE, 2-HR DELAY TAIL.
38 X " " NO NOSE, -HR DELAY TAIL
57 X " " NO NOSE, 12-HR DELAY TAIL
38 X " " NO NOSE, 24-HR DELAY TAIL
19 X " " NO NOSE, 36-HR DELAY TAIL

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18 B-29'S DROPPED THE FOLLOWING BOMBS ON TOMITAKA A/F FROM 16,000 TO 17,200 FT AT 212336Z VISUALLY THRU 0/10 CLOUDS:

126 X AN-M64 (TNT) INST NOSE, NON-DELAY TAIL
18 X " " NO NOSE, 1 HR DELAY TAIL

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18 X " " NO NOSE, 2 HR DELAY TAIL.

36 X " " NO NOSE, 6 HR DELAY TAIL

54 X " " NO NOSE, 12 HR DELAY TAIL

36 X " " NO NOSE, 24 HR DELAY TAIL

18 X " " NO NOSE, 36 HR DELAY TAIL

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6. A/C ATTACKING SECONDARY: NONE

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7. A/C ATTACKING LAST RESORT: NONE

8. A/C ATTACKING OPPORTUNITY: 1 B-29 VISUALLY RELEASED FOLLOWING BOMBS ON SHIMIZU CITY, NO CLOUDS FROM 16,250 FT AT 212305Z:

7 X AN-M64 (TNT) INST NOSE, NON-DELAY TAIL

1 X " " NO NOSE, 1-HR DELAY TAIL

1 X " " NO NOSE, 2-HR DELAY TAIL

2 X " " NO NOSE 6 HR DELAY TAIL

3 X " " NO NOSE 12 HR DELAY TAIL

2 X " " NO NOSE 24 HR DELAY TAIL

1 X " " NO NOSE 36 HR DELAY TAIL

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9. A/C AIRBORNE: 39 BETWEEN 211425 AND 211600Z

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10. A/C NON EFFECTIVE: 1. MECHANICAL REASON.

11. A/C LOST OR MISSING: NONE

12. BOMBING RESULTS: STRIKE PHOTOS SHOW: MISSION 91: IZUMI A/F, 1 SQ GOOD 1 SQ FAIR. MISSION 94, TOMITAKA A/F, 2 SQS EXCELLENT.

13. PERSONNEL CASUALTIES: NONE

14. ENEMY AIR OPPOSITION: MISSION 91: SLIGHT 25 TO 30 UNAGGRESSIVE ATTACKS FROM TARGET TO LANDS END. MISSION 94: NONE

15. ANTIAIRCRAFT: MISSION 91, HEAVY, MEAGER, INACCURATE, CONTINUOUSLY POINTED OVER TARGET. IN VICINITY OF MIYAKONOJO, MEAGER AND IN-ACCURATE.

MISSION 94: NONE

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16. FIGHTER SUPPORT: NONE

17, WEATHER: CLEAR WITH SLIGHT HAZE OVER BOTH TARGETS. WINDS 280 DEG TO 290 DEG, 25 TO 30 KT.

18. OBSERVATIONS: A. LARGE WARSHIP, ANCHORED APPROX 31/30 N, 130/35 E) 212315Z

B. 13 SMALL VESSELS ANCHORED IN NOBEOKA HARBOR, 212226Z

C. 22 U/I SHIPS, ANCHORED (32/03 N - 131/30 E) 212338Z

X D. POSSIBLE PT BOAT TAKING EVASIVE ACTION OFF OKINA SHIMA, 212300Z

X E. MANY U/I VESSELS ANCHORED (32/25 N - 132/33 E), 212310Z

H POSITION DOUBTFUL

19. CLAIMS: MISSION 91. 0 DESTROYED; 1 PROBABLY DESTROYED; 1 DAMAGED.

MISSION 94: NONE 94

20. COMMENTS: NONE

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TELECON MESSAGE FN-2[illegible]8 OP OP SECRET [illegible]355Z

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FROM: BOM VOM XXI

TO : COMAF 20

INFO: DEPCOMAF 20 (POA)

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SUBJECT: PRELIMINARY MISSION REPORT, NECKCLOTH ONE STRIKE 93, ~~2~~ 22 APRIL 1945

1. NAME OF PRIMARY: MIYAZAKI AIR FIELD~~X~~ K KYUSHU

2. NAME OF SECONDARY: NONE

3. NAME OF LAST RESORT: NONE

4. TARGET OF OPPORTUNITY: NONE

~~TY: NONE~~

5. 21 (21 A/C) A/C DROPPED 174 X 500 LB GP (TNT) WITH ANM103A1 INST NOSE FUZES AND ANM101A2 N. D. FUZE AND 1845 (20 - 1 HOUR DELAY, 20 - 2 HOUR DELAY 40 6 HOUR DELAY 56 - 12 HOUR DELAY, 48 - 24 TO 36 HOUR DELAY) WITH NO NOSE FUZE AND M 124 A1 DELAY TAIL FUZE, BY VISUAL MEANS THROUGH 0/10 CLOUDS FROM 14,000 TO 17,300 FT AT 212234Z TO 220010Z.
NOTE: ONE A/C WHICH LANDED AT SAIPAN TO REFUEL WAS INTERROGATED TOO LATE FOR INCLUSION IN THIS REPORT. ONE A/C WHOSE BOMBS HUNG UP ON TH FORMATION BOMB RUN RETURNED AT 220010Z TO BOMB MIYAZAKI RATHER THAN JETTISON BOMBS IN THE SEA.

6. A/C ~~ATTJIKING~~ ATTACKING SECONDARY: NONE

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7. A/C ATTACKING LAST RESORT TARGETS: NONE

8. A/C ATTACKING OPPORTUNITY TARGETS: NONE

9. 22 A/C WERE AIRBORNE BETWEEN 211430Z AND 211450Z

10. NO. A/C RETURNED EARLY: NONE

11. NO. A/C ARE LOST OR MISSING NONE

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12. CREWH REPORTED GOOD TO EXCELLENT RESULTS ON PRIMARY TARGET.

13. CASUALTIES: NONE

14. ENEMY AIR OPPOSITION: 19 AIRCRAFT WERE SIGHTED, OF WHICH TWO ATTACK-
ED THE FORMATION.

15. AA FIRE: HEAVY CALIBER, MEAGER TO MODERATE INTENSITY, INACCURATE TO
ACCURATE FIRE, WITH FIVE A/C REPORTED DAMAGED BY FLAK.

16. FIGHTER SUPPORT: NONE

17. WEATHER: CLEAR, WITH VISIBILITY OF ~~29~~ 20 MILES IN LIGHT HAZE; FEW
SCATTERED CIRRUS CLOUDS AT 27,000 FT. WIND: 35 KNOTS FROM 300
DEGREES .

18. OBSERVATIONS: NONE

19. CLAIMS: NONE 93

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20. OTHER OBSERVATIONS: NONE

THIS MSG DISPATCHED FROM XXI BOM COM CONTROL ROOM AT 221355Z

CCNS:
5. 21 A/C DROPPED ETC.
THIRD LINE UNDER 5. SHD READ 48-24 TO 36 HOUR
AND ANM101A2 N. D. FUZE AND 1845 (20 - 1 HOUR DELAY, 20 -2 HOUR DELAY,
ALSO UNDER 5
NOTE: ONE A/C WHICH LANDED INSTEAD OF ONE A/
UNDER 17. WHXX SHOULD READ
WEATHER: CLEAR, WITH VISIBILITY OF 20 MILES RPT 20 MILES INSTEAD OF 29
MILES
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AND ANM101A2 N.D. FUZE AND 1845 (20- 1 HOUR DELAY

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Washington, D. C.

Information for Briefing on XXI Bomber Command
Mission No. 91 through 95 21-22 Apr 1945
Date

Mission Code Name "see below" (As of 1100 22x Apr 45)
Date

Targets: ~~Primary~~ AIRFIELDS, KUSHU
~~Secondary~~ Opn 91 BULLISH 4 Izumi
Opn 92 SAEWER 1 Tomitaka
Opn 93 CHECKBOOK 5 Kanoya
~~Last Resort~~ Opn 94 AEROSCOPE 2 Kushira
Opn 95 NECKCLOTH 1 Miyazaka (Miyazaki)

Take-off Times: 210958 - 211200 Washington (211358z - 211600z)

Time Over Primary Target: Not yet available

Tactics: Visual daylight bombing; details not yet available

Aircraft Bombing: Incomplete; approximately ~~95~~ 90

Primary Target -
Secondary Target - Full details on number of a/c bombing each target not yet ava ilable
Other Targets -

Bomb Load: Planned : 500 lb. GP's, fused instantaneously and long delay

Losses: Details not yet ava ilable on these items

Target Weather:

Fighter Opposition:

Anti-Aircraft Encountered:

Claims:

Results of Bombing: Good to excellent

Remarks: This information is fragmentary and is subject to change so should not be used or presented as final.

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Mission Report 92	Telecon	FN-23-14		231322Z	NP
Mission Report 93	"	FN-23-13		230318Z	NP

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MISSION REPORT OF XXI BOMBER COMMAND

OPERATION NOS. 91 THRU 95 - 22 APRIL 1945

Targets: AIRFIELDS ON KYUSHU
Operation 91 - BULLISH 4 - Izumi
" 92 - AEROSCOPE 2 - Kushira
" 93 - NECKCLOTH 1 - Miyazaki
" 94 - SKEWER 1 - Tomitaka
" 95 - CHECKBOOK 5 - Kanoya

Take-off: 210958 - 211200 Washington; (211358Z - 211600Z)

Time Over Target: 211833 - 212010 Washington; (212233Z - 220010Z)

A/C Bombing:

Total Bombing	95
Izumi	19
Kushira	11
Miyazaki	22
Tomitaka	18
Kanoya	24
Other Targets	1

A/C Lost or Missing: None

Casualties: 0 killed; 10 wounded - crash landing on return; 0 missing

Bombs Dropped: 1425 - M-64; 1/3 of bombs instant nose and non-delay tail; 2/3 of bombs no nose fuse, and from 1 hour to 36 hour delay tail fuse.

Tactics: Daylight visual bombing from an altitude of 14,000 to 17,500 ft. by squadrons.

Weather: Clear, with visibility of 20 miles in light haze. Winds 290 deg., 25 to 40 knots.

Fighter Opposition:
Izumi - Slight, 25 to 30 unaggressive attacks from target to lands end.
Kushira - 10 Tojos, 2 Zekes, 1 Tony, 7 Oscars, 20 S/E U/I sighted - 6 attacks. Breakway from Kushira to lands end, 6 Oscars, 8 Tojos, 8 S/E U/I sighted - 8 attacks.
Miyazaki - 19 a/c were sighted - 2 attacked the formation.
Tomitaka - None
Kanoya - IP to target, 3 Tonys, 4 Tojos, 3 Zekes, 2 U/I sighted - 1 attack. Target area, 2 Tonys, 5 Tojos, 1 Zeke, 1 S/E U/I sighted - 3 attacks. Breakway from target to lands end, 4 Zekes, 5 Tojos, 3 Tonys, 2 S/E U/I sighted - 7 attacks.

Flak:
Izumi - Heavy, meager, inaccurate, continuously pointed over target. In vicinity of Miyakanojo, meager and inaccurate.
Kushira and Kanoya - Meager to moderate and fairly accurate in target area.
Miyazaki - Heavy caliber, meager to moderate intensity, inaccurate to accurate fire, with 5 a/c reported damaged by flak.
Tomitaka - None reported.

Claims: 0 destroyed; 2 probably destroyed; 4 damaged

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Observations:

Ship Observations:
a. Large warship, anchored approximately 31/30 N - 130/35 E, 212315Z.
b. 13 small vessels anchored in Nobeoka Harbor, 212226Z.
c. 22 U/I ships, anchored 32/03 N - 131/30 E, 212338Z.
d. 24 boats, 10 ships in harbor at Aburatsu, 1 medium and 4 small ships 3 miles N of Cape Hi Saki.
e. 6 - 8 small vessels in Takayama Bay
f. 10 ships, 3 large, by radar 12 - 15 miles N of Yakushima.

A/C Observations:
a. Kanoya E A/F - 10 - 12 T/E, 3 S/E.
b. Kanoya A/F - 30 S/E, 19 T/E
c. Takayama A/F - 15 U/I

Results:

Missions 92 thru 95 - Good to Excellent
Mission 91 - Fair to Good

Remarks:

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As of 1600, 22 April 1945

William P. Savoie
for LAURIS NORSTAD
Brigadier General, U. S. Army
Chief of Staff

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FROM: BOMCOM XXI

TO : COMAF 20

INFO: CXX DEPCOMAF 20 (POA)

2303/00Z

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SUBJECT: MISSION REPORT FOR NECKCLOTH ONE, MISSION 93, 22 APRIL 9145

1. DESIGNATION OF UNIT: 314TH BOMB WING, XXI BOMBER COMMAND.

2. TIME OF TAKE OFF: 211430Z TO 211521Z

3. TIME OF TEXX RETURN: 220505Z TO 220651Z

4. NO. A/C AIRBORNE: 22

5. NO. A/C ATTACKING PRIMARY: 22

6. NO. A/C ATTACKING SECONDARY: NONE

7. NO. A/C ATTACKING LAST RESORT: NONE

8. NO. A/C WHICH FA

XXXXXXX ATTACKING TARGET OF OPPORTUNITY: NINE

9. NO. A/C WHICH FAILED TO BOMB DESIGNATED TARGETS: NONE

10. NO. A/C LOST TO FLAK: NONE

11. NO. A/C LOST TO E/A: NONE

12. NO. A/C LOST BY ACCIDENT: NONE

13. NO. A/C LOST BY REASONS UNKNOWN: NONE

14. TIME OF ATTACK: PRMAY: 211///212234Z TO 212245Z. (.ONE A/C AT 220010Z)

15. ALTITUDE OF ATTACK: PRIMARY: 14,000 FT TO 17,500 FT

16. BOMBS ON EACH TARGET:

PRIMARY: 362 X 550 LB GP AN-M-64 FUSED SXX AS FOLLOWS:

INST NOST, ND TAIL	1 HR DELAY	2HR DELAY	6 HR DELAY	12HR DELAY
184	16	16	32	57

24 TO 36 HOUR DELAY

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A. BOMB LOADINGS: 379 X 550 LB AN-M-64 FUSED AS FOLLOWS:

INST NOSE ND TAIL	1 HR DELAY	2 HR DELAY	6 HR DELAY	12 HR DELAY
191	17	17	34	60

24 TO 36 HR DELAY

60

B. BOMB UNACCOUNTED FOR: NONE

17. NO. A/C JIETTISONING BOMBS: 3

17 X 550 LB GP AN-.M-64 FUSES AS FOLLOWS:

INST NOSE ND TAIL	1 HR DELAY	2HR DELAY	6 HR DELAY	12 HR DELAY
7	1	1	2	3

24 TO 36 HR DELAY

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18. NO. A/C BRINGING BOMBS BACK: NONE

19. PERSONNEL CASUALTIES: NONE

20. NO. E/ A DESTROYED: NONE. PROBABLY DESTROYED: NONE. DAMAGED: NONE.

21. REMARKS:

A. ENEMY AIR OPPOSITION: ONE SINGLE ENGINE AIRCRAFT WAS SIGHTED AT THE ASSEMBLY POINT, AND 21 SINGLE ENGINE AIRCGAFT IN THE TARGET AREA. OF THE LATTER, 20 FLEW IN TWO FORMATIONS 5000 FT BELOW OUR FORMATION.

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THREE ATTACKS WERE MADE, TWO MAKE BY A TONY BEFORE BOMBS AWAY AND ONE BY AN OSCAR AFTER BOMBS AWAY.

B. FLAK: HAAVY, MEAGER TO MODERTE MODERATE, INACCURATE TO ACCURATE FLAK REPORTED OVER TARGET AREA. HEAVY, MEAGER, INACCURATE FLAK REPORTED 10 MILES WEST OF IP. THREE AIRCRAFT REPORTED MODEATE FLAK IN THE TARGET AREA; THE BALANCE, MEAGER FLAK. THE GREATER PORTION OF THE FLAK ENCOUNTERED WAS PRIOR TO AND DURING THE BOMB RUN, AND WAS DESCRIBED AS CONTIMUOUSLY POINED FIRE.

C. A/C LOST OR IN DISTRESS: NONE

D. A/C SEROUSLY DAMAGED OR CRASHEC ON RETURN: NONE

E. A/C BATTLE DAMAGE: 2 REPAIRABLE IN TWO DAYS AND 6 REPAIRABLE IN ONE DAY.

F. OBSERVATIONS: NONE

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XXXXX PHOTO INTERPRETATION: SEE OUR FN-23-3

H. CREW CMMENTS : NONE

I. WATHER: BASES AT TAKE OFF: 3 - 4/10 CXX LOW CLOUD, BASE 1500 FT, TOP 5-6000 FT WITH LIGHT SHOWERS IN THE VICINITY OF SAIPAN.

ROUTE OUTGOING: TO 22,:

XXXXX 22N; 4/10 LOW CLUHRDUZNAMZ CDOCIFR OKZEJRCKKQV

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ROUTE OUTGOING: TO 22N:

XXXXX 22N: 4/10 LOW CLUHRDUZNAMZ CDOCIFR OKZEJRCKKQ

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ROUTE OUTGOING: TO 22N: 4/10 LOW CLOUD, BASE 1800 FT, TOP 6-7000 FT.

22N TO 25N: 8/10 LOW CLOUD, BASE 1500 FT, TOP 8000 FT; 4-6/10 MIDDLE CLOUD, BASE 12,000 FT, TOP 14,000 FT; MODERATE TURBULANCE, VISIBILITY 15 MILES LOWERING TO 3-5 MILES IN LIGHT RAIN SHOWERS.

25N TO TARGET AREA: 2-4/10 LOW CLOUD, BASE 2000 FT,TOP 4000 FT; 2/10 HIGH CLOUD, BASE 25,000 FT.

TARGET: 1/10-2/10 LOW CLOUD; 2-4/10 HIGH CLOUD, BASE 25,000 FT; VISIBILITY 20 MILES LOWERING TO 15 MILES IN VERY LIGHT HAZE. WINDS AT 16,000 FT WERE FROM 280 DEGREES AT 35 KNOTS.

ROUTE RETURNING: SAME CONDITION AS PREVAILED ON ROUTE OUTGOING.

BASES ON TEXX RETURN: SAIPAN: 4/10 TO 5/10 LOW CLOUD, BASE 1800 FT, TOP 5-7000 FT. GUAM: 6/10 LOW CLOUD, BASE 1500 FT, TOP 8000 FT.

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ON YOUR QUESTION SHOULD BE NONE RPT NONE AND NOT NINE

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TELECON MESSAGE FN-23-16 SECRT OP OP 231610Z.

FROM : BOMCOM XXI

TO : COMAF 20 9494

INFO : DEPCOMAF 20 (POA)

SUBJECT: MISSION REPORT FOR BULLISH FOUR, MISSION 91 AND SKEWER ONE, MISSION 94, 22 APRIL 1945.

1. DESIGNATION OF UNIT: 73RD BOMB WING, XXI BOMBER COMMAND.

2. TIME OF TAKE OFF: MISSION 91: 211425Z TO 211505Z
MISSION 94: 211550Z TO 211559Z.

3. TIME OF RETURN: MISSION 91: 220414Z TO 220640Z
MISSION 94: 220458Z TO 220629Z.

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4. NO. A/C AIRBORNE: 41 (39 STRIKE AND 2 SUPERDUMBOS)

5. NO. A/C ATTACKING PRIMARY: MISSION 91: 19
MISSION 94: 18

6. A/C ATTACKING SECONDARY: NONE

7. NO. A/C ATTACKING LAST RESORT: NONE

8. NO. A/C ATTACKING TARGET OF OPPORTUNITY: MISSION 91: 1
TARGET: SHIMIZU CITY NO. A/C: 1
MISSION 94: NONE.

9. NO. A/C WHICH FAILED TO BOMB ANY TARGET: 1
REASON: MECHANICAL (MISSION 91)

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10. NO. A/C LOST TO FLAK: NONE

11. NO. A/C LOST TO E/A: NONE

12. NO. A/C LOST BY ACCIDENT: NONE

13. NO. A/C LOST BY REASONS UNKNOWN: NONE

14. TIME OF ATTACK: MISSION 91 PRIMARY: 212207Z TO 212357Z

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14. TIME OF ATTACK: MISSION 91 PRIMARY: 212252Z TO 212305Z

TARGET OF OPPORTUNITY: SHIMIZU CITY 212305Z

MISSION 94 PRIMARY: 212336Z

15. ALTITUDE OF ATTACK: MISSION 91 PRIMARY: 16,250 TO 17,500 FT.

TARGET OF OPPORTUNITY: SHIMIZU CITY 16,250 FT.

MISSION 94 PRIMARY: 16,000 TO 17,200 FT.

16. BOMBS ON EACH TARGET: MISSION 91 PRIMARY:

323 X 535 LB GP AN-M-64 (TNT) FUSED AS FOLLOWS:

INST NOSE, ND TAIL	1 HR DELAY TAIL	2 HR DELAY TAIL	6 HR DELAY TAIL
133	19	19	38

12 HR DELAY TAIL	24 HR DELAY TAIL	36 HR DELAY TAIL
57	38	19

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TARGET OF OPPORTUNITY: SHIMIZU CITY 17 X 535 LB GP AN-M-64(TNT) FUSED AS FOLLOWS:

INST NOSE, ND TAIL	1 HR DELAY TAIL	2 HR DELAY TAIL	6 HR DELAY TAIL
7	1	1	2

12 HR DELAY TAIL	24 HR DELAY TAIL	36 HR DELAY TAIL
3	2	1

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MISSION 94 PRIMARY : 306 X 535 LB GP AN-M-64(TNT) FUSED AS FOLLOWS:

INST NOSE, ND TAIL	1 HR DELAY TAIL	2 HR DELAY TAIL	6 HR DELAY TAIL
126	18	18	36

12 HR DELAY TAIL	24 HR DELAY TAIL	36 HR DELAY TAIL
54	36	18

4. BOMB LOADINGS: 663 X 535 LB GP AN-M-64(TNT) FUSED AS FOLLOWS:

INST NOSE, ND TAIL	1 HR DELAY TAIL	2 HR DELAY TAIL	6 HR DELAY TAIL
273	39	39	78

12 HR DELAY TAIL	24 HR DELAY TAIL	36 HR DELAY TAIL
117	78	39

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B. BOMBS UNACCOUNTED FOR: NONE

17. NO. A/C JETTISONING BOMBS: 1 A/C 17 X 535 LB GP AN-M-64(TNT) FUSED AS FOLLOWS:

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INST NOSE, ND TAIL	1 HR DELAY TAIL	2 HR DELAY TAIL	6 HR DELAY TAIL
7	1	1	2

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17. NO. A/C JETTISONING BOMBS: [illegible]

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INST NOSE, ND TAIL	1 HR DELAY TAIL	2 HR DELAY TAIL	6 HR DELAY TAIL
7	1	1	2

12 HR DELAY TAIL	24 HR DELAY TAIL	36 HR DELAY TAIL
3	2	1

18. NO. A/C BRINGING BOMBS BACK: NONE

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19. PERSONNEL CASUALTIES: NONE

20. NO. E/A DESTROYED: NONE. PROBABLY DESTROYED: 2
DAMAGED: 2

21. REMARKS:

A. ENEMY AIR OPPOSITION: MISSION 91: 20 TO 30 E/A ENCOUNTERED INCLUDING TONYS, ZEKES, TOJOS AND POSSIBLY FRANKS AND GEORGES. APPROX 50 ATTACKS SUSTAINED FROM JUST AFTER BOMBS AWAY TO 30 MILES PAST LANDS END. WHILE REPORTED UNAGGRESSIVE, ONE B-29 SUSTAINED DAMAGE. ONE SERIES OF "CHOW LINE" ATTACKS RPORTED. MISSION 94: NONE.

B. FLAK: MISSION 91: OVER TARGET HEAVY, MOSTLY CONTINUOUSLY POINTED, SOME BARRAGES, MEAGER AND FAIRLY ACCURATE. HEAVY, MEAGER, INACCURATE AND CONTINUOUSLY POINTED FLAK REPORTED OVER MIYAKONOJO A/F. AT KOBAYASHI A HEAVY, MEAGER, ACCURATE BARRAG OBSERVED. ON COAST SOUTH OF MIYAZAKI HEAVY, MEAGER, INACCURATE, CONTINUOUSLY POINTED. FLAK NIL OVER SHIMIZU CITY. MISSION 94: NO FLAK:

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C. A/C LOST OR IN DISTRESS: NONE

D. A/C SERIOUSLY DAMAGED OR CRASHED ON RETURN: NONE

E. A/C BATTLE DAMAGE: 2 READY IN ONE HALF DAY: 3 READY IN 2 DAYS; 1 INDEFINITE DAYS.

F. OBSERVATIONS: LARGE SHIP (POSSIBLY BB OR CV) ANCHORED AT 31/30N - 130/35E FROM 16,200 FT. ONE LARGE AND ONE MEDIUM CARGO SHIP ANCHORED AT 32/23N - 130/15E FROM 16,800 FT. FACTORIES AND STEEL MILLS AT HINAGU (IP) FROM 16,500 FT.

G. PHOTO INTERPRETATION: SEE OUR MESSAGE FN-23-3.

H. CREW COMMENTS: NONE

I. WATHER: SEE OUR MESSAGE FN-23-13.

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PRESENT HERE: LT E B WICKHAM
STATION: YAMFG
SUBJECT: 20 AF TRAFFIC
TELECON MSG FN-23-14 OP OP SECRET 2312M
FROM: BOMCOM XXI
TO : COMAF 20
INFO: DEPCOMAF 20 (POA)
SUBJECT: MISSION REPORT FOR AROSCOPE TWO. MISSION 92 AND CHECK-
BOOK FIVE, MISSION 95, 22 APRIL 1945.

1. DESIGNATION OF UNIT: 313TH BOMB WING, XXI BOMBER COMMAND

2. TIME OF TAKE OFF: 211358Z TO 211538Z

3. TIME OF RETURN: 220438Z TO 220700Z

4. NO. A/C AIRBORNE: 42

5. NO. A/C ATTACKING PRIMARY: MISSION 92: 9
MISSION 95: 19

6. NO. A/C ATTACKING SECONDARY TARGET: MISSION 92: 5
MISSION 95: NONE

7. NO. A/C ATTACKING LAST RESORT TARGETS: NONE

8. NO. A/C ATTACKING TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY: NONE

9. NO. A/C WHICH FAILED TO BOMB DESIGNATED TARGETS: 9 4
REASONS: MECHANICAL: 7 HANG-UPS OVER TARGET: 2

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10. NO. A/C LOST TO FLAK: NONE

11. NO. A/C LOST TO E/A: NONE

12. NO. A/C LOST BY ACCIDENT: 1 EARLY RETURN CRASH LANDED.

13. NO. A/C LOST BY REASONS UNKNOWN: NONE

14. TIME OF ATTACK: MISSION 92: PRIMARY TARGET: 212258Z TO 212345Z
SECONDARY: KANOYA AIRFIELD 212345Z
MISSION 95: PRIMARY TARGET: 212234Z TO 212345Z

15. ALTITUDE OF ATTACK: MISSION 92: PARIMARY 16,000 TO 16,600 FT
SECONDARY: 15,400 TO 16,500 FT.
MISSION 95: PRIMARY: 15,000 TO 15,500 FT.

16. BOMBS ON EACH TARGET: MISSION 92 PRIMARY: 156 X 550 LB GP AN-M-64,

SECONDARY: 73 X 550 LB GP AN-M-64.

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MISSION 95 PRIMARY: 337 X 550 LB GP AN-M64.

A. BOMB LOADINGS: MISSION 92: 314 X 550 LB AN-M-64.

MISSION 95: 431 X 550 LB GP AN-M-64.

B. BOMBS UNACCOUNTED FOR: MISSION 92: NONE.

MISSION 95: NONE.

17. NO. A/C JETTISONING ~~[illegible]~~ Bombs: MISSION 92: 4 A/C.

6/ X 550 LB GP AN-M-64.

MISSION 95: 3 A/C 53 X 550 LB GP AN-M-64.

18. NO. A/C BRINGING BOMBS BACK: MISSION 92: 2 A/ C.

8 X 550 LB GP AN-M-64.

MISSION 95: 3 A/C. 41 X 550 LB GP AN-M-64.

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19. PERSONNEL CASUALTIES: KILLED: NONE

SERIOUSLY WOUNDED: 1

SLIGHTLY WOUNDED: 10

MISSING: NONE

20. CLAIMS: REFER TO OUR PRELIMINARY MISSION REPORT.

21. REMARKS:

A. ENEMY AIR OPPOSITION: REFER TO OUR PRELIMINARY MISSION CEPORT.

B. FLAK: HEAVY, MEAGER TO MODERATE AND FAIRLY ACCURATE, CONTINUOUSLY POINTED FIRE IN BOTH TARGET AREAS.

C. A/CPLOST OR IN DISTRESS: NONE.

D. A/C SERIOUSLY DAMAGED OR CRASHED ON RETURN: 1 A/C EARLY RETURN CRASHED.

E. A/C BATTLE DAMAGE: 3 REPAIRABLE IN ONE DAY.

F. OBSERVATIONS: 9 SURFACE VESSELS OBSERVED AT 212346Z AT KOGOSHIMA. 20 SURFACE VESSELS OBSERVED AT 212405Z AT MAITSU. AT 212240Z OBSERVED 2 NAVAL VESSELS AT 31/25N-131/10E. OBSERVED 1 TANKER AND 5 OTHER SURFACE VESSELS NORTHWEST OF SAKURA JIMA. 21 VESSELS IN NORTHEAST PART OF KOGOSHIMA WAN.

G. PHOTO INTERPRETATION: SEE OUR FN-23-3.

H. CREW COMMENTS : NONE

I. WEATHER: SEE OUR FN-23-13.

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SUBJECT: COMMUNIQUE NO 89 RESTRICTED

TO: COMGENBOMCOM 21 INFO DEPCOMAF 20 POA INFO COMGEN BOMCOM 20

FROM: COMAF 20

THE FOLOWINVV COMMUNIQUE WILL BE RELEASED HERE AT 222200Z

SUPERFORTRESSES, RETURNING TO KYUSHU YEATERDAY APRIL 21ST EWT (APRIL 22ND, JAPANESE TIME) FOR THE SECOND TIME IN 24 HOURS, STRUCK AT TWO NEW AIR INSTALLATIONS IN ADDTION TO BOMBING AIRFIELDS VISITED BEFORE. THE B-29S IN LARGE FORCE, WERE FROM MAJOR GENERAL CURTIS E. LEMAY'S XXI BOMBER COMMAND IN THE MARIANA ISLANDS.

IMPORTANT AIRFIELDS AT MIYAZAKI AND TOMITKA ON THE SOUTHERMOST ISLAND OF THE JAPANEST HOMELAND, WERE THE NEW TARGETS. KANOYA, KUSHIRA AND IZUMI WERE TARGETS OF RENEWED ATTACK. THE AMERICAN PLANES MET SLIGHT AND UNAGGRESSIVE FIGHTER OPPOSITION AND MODERATE ANTI-AIRCRAFT FIRE. AL OF OUR AIRCRAFT RETURNED SAFELY TO THEIR BASES.

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SUBJECT: PRESS FLASH.

TO: COMGENBOMCOM 21 INFO DEPCOMAF 20 INFO COMGENBOMCOM20
(ATTENTION: GLASS)

THE FOLLOWING PRESS FLASH WILL BE RELEASED HERE AT 220120Z

" SUPERFORTRESSES AGAIN RETURNED TO KYUSHU TODAY, APRIL 21ST EWT (APRIL 22D, JAPANESE TIME), TO STRIKE AT MAJOR JAPANESE AIR INSTALLATIONS: MAJOR GENERAL CURTIS E. LEMAY, COMMANDING GENERAL OF THE XXI BOMBER COMMAND, SENT A LARGE TASK FORCE OF MARIANA-BASED B-29'S ON THE MISSION. KYUSHU IS THE SOUTHERNMOST ISLAND OF THE JAPANESE HOMELAND AND THIS IS THE FOURTH TIME IN FIVE DAYS THAT IT HAS BEEN ATTACKED BY B-29'S.

" ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE RENEWED ATTACK WAS MADE AT HEADQUARTERS OF THE TWENTIETH AIR FORCE IN WASHINGTON, WHICH DECLARED THAT FURTHER DETAILS WOULD BE MADE KNOWN WHEN ALL PLANES HAD RETURNED TO THEIR BASES

(ATTENTION: REES INFO WIPPOLD FROM DOULENS)

(INFO PRO'S ALL WINGS)

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TOD:042202052

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FN-01-02	Photo Interpretation, 3 PHM 180, 181, 182, 30 April 1945	1 May 1945

TO:	INFO:	FROM:
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PHM 180: Target area: Kyushu south and east, Kurume, Yatsushiro, Shimonoseki and Sasebo. Mean time of photography 292351Z. Quality good.

Kanoya Airfield (31/22 N - 130/50 E) target 1878. Aircraft visible: 182 S/E and 60 T/E. Damage from XXI BomCom missions 118 and 124 of 28 and 29 April shows 4 A/C destroyed and 1 A/C damaged. There are a great number of bomb craters on the landing field; several craters are still visible on the two main runways.

Kanoya East airfield (31/22/30 N - 130/54/00E) Target 2516. A/C visible: 52 S/E. Damage from XXI BomCom mission 123 of 29 April shows the north half of the field covered with craters. Runway in middle of field does not appear to be operational. South half of field is being repaired and extreme south side of field appears to be operational.

Kagoshima Airfield (31/33 N - 130/34 E) target 2514. Aircraft visible: 48 S/E and 2 T/E. 16 S/E inoperative. (Boneyard not counted).

Izumi Airfield (32/05 N - 130/20 E) target 2512. A/C visible: 41 S/E and 7 T/E. Damage from XXI BomCom missions 91, 108, 114 of 22, 27, 28 April shows 3 S/E and 2 T/E damaged or destroyed. Some new damage is seen on buildings in the hangar area. Landing field is well covered with bomb craters and only signs of repair seem to be on the runways. Runway has not been completely cleared of craters.

Imajiku Airfield (33/35 N - 130/15 E) target 2508. A/C visible: 3 S/E.

Gannosu Airfield (33/40 N - 130/24 E) target 663. A/C visible: 23 S/E and 8 T/E. 2 S/E possibly damaged. 2 T/E inoperative and 4 T/E fuselages not included in above.

Hakata Seaplane Station (33/39/30 N - 130/22/00 E) target 2505. A/C visible: 17 S/E floatplanes.

Saitozaki Airfield (33/39 N - 130/21 E) target 2538. A/C visible: 11 S/E and 6 T/E. 2 S/E inoperative not included in above.

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Najima S. S. (33/39 N - 130/26 E) target 2530. A/C visible: 4 S/E.

Oita Airfield (33/15 N - 131/38 E) target 1308. A/C visible: 84 S/E and 6 T/E. 11 S/E damaged or destroyed not included in above. Old craters on landing field are filled in.

Oita S. S. (33/15 N - 131/37 E) target 2552. A/C visible: 8 S/E (minimum)

Nagasaki Harbor (32/44 N - 129/52 E) naval vessels: 2 - probably PF UN-2. M. V.'s 21 over 200 ft. in length.

Sasebo Harbor (33/10/00 N - 129/40/15 E) naval vessels: 1 CV approximately 740 ft. (camouflaged) possibly Hayataka class, 1 CV approx. 705 ft. possibly Unryu class, 1 CVL approx 650 ft. (camouflaged) possibly Ryuho class, 1 CA 400 ft., 14 DE 220 ft. to 270 ft. (4 in drydock), 1 DD 430 ft. (in drydock, 1 SS 370 ft, 1 DD 410 ft, 2 SS 190 ft, 2 DD 380 ft, 1 SS 220 ft (in drydock), 4 possible midget SS (2 in drydock), numerous other small naval vessels present. 9 MV over 200 ft. in length.

Shimonoseki Straits (33/57 N - 130/57 E) naval vessels: 5 possible frig. PF UN-2 (220 ft.), 3 possible frig. PF UN-1 (260 ft), 2 LSM 264 ft, 71 MV over 208 ft in length.

PHM 181: target area: Mito. Mean time of photography 300015Z. Quality good, except as noted below.

Shimoshizu Airfield (35/39 N - 140/09 E) target 1470. A/C visible: 16 S/E and 2 T/E.

Kasumigaura Airfield (36/0-N - 140 12 E) target 1466. A/C visible: 190 S/E and 17 T/E.

Kasumigaura S. S. (36/08 N - 140/14 E) target 1491. A/C visible: None

Mito South Airfield (36/21 N - 140/29 E) target 2779. A/C visible: 21 S/E and 17 T/E (minimum). Hazy photography.

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Iida Airfield (36/27 N - 140/26 E) target 2755. A/C visible: 8 S/E.

Shimazu S. S. (36/02 N - 140/15 E) target 2795. A/C visible: None Photography 300423Z. Quality good.

PRM 182: Target area: Tokyo, Takasaki and Mito. Mean time of photography 300426Z. Quality good.

Narimasu Airfield (35/46/00 N - 139/37/30 E) target 2783. A/C visible: 41 S/E.

Mageshi Airfield (36/07 N - 139/22 E) target 2775. A/C visible: 15 S/E. Field 25 percent obscured.

Kumagaya Airfield (36/09 N - 139/18 E) target 1644. A/C visible: 55 S/E and 20 T/E.

Kisarazu Airfield (35/23 N - 139/55 E) target 573. A/C visible: 64 S/E and 59 T/E operational. 5 A/C destroyed and 2 T/E fuselages not included in above.

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FW-23-4	Flash Strike Attack Report, Kyushu Strikes, 22 Apr 45. 91-95	23 Apr 45

TO:	INFO:	FROM:
COMAF 20	DEPCOMAF 20	BOMCOM 21

1. Mission 91: Target 90.37-2512, Izumi Airfield: 73rd Wing reports fair to excellent results. Strike photos show good concentration of hits E-W diagonally across center of field. A few hits in N end of S dispersal area probably damaged three aircraft. Second concentration of hits in NE part of field destroyed four small buildings, augmented old damage to hangers. Aircraft Visible: 52 S/E, 17 T/E. Of these 1 T/E and 3 S/E probably damaged. Ten aircraft previously damaged not included.

2. Mission 92: Target 90.38-2524, Kushira Airfield: 313th Wing reports hangar area well covered with bursts damaging some buildings and service apron area. Runways cratered near intersecting point. One aircraft probably destroyed.

3. Mission 94: Target 90.33-2536, Tomitaka Airfield: 73rd Wing reports excellent results with two concentrations on field. One concentration covers entire length of field, extending into dispersal area at SW edge. Second concentration in and immediately SW of hangar line. Direct hits on at least four hangars. Three smaller buildings. Aircraft Visible: 33 S/E, 1 T/E. Of these 7 S/E destroyed, 2 S/E probably destroyed. 1 S/E probably damaged.

4. Mission 95: Target 90.38-1378, Kanoya Airfield: 313th Wing reports both runways cratered. Hangar, service apron well covered by pattern. One aircraft probably destroyed.

5. Mission 93: Target 90.38-2529, Miyazaki Airfield: 314th Wing reports at least five sticks of bursts across airfield.

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FN-04-12	FAILURES OF AIRBORNE A/C TO BOMB PRIMARY TARGET	4 May 45

TO:	INFO:	FROM:
COMAF 20		COMGENBOMCOM 21

Mission 83 21 April 1945

313th Bomb Wing

6th Bomb Group
42-63552 A. No. 3 prop governor failed causing No. 3 engine to overspeed causing internal failure. Metal found in rear sump. Engine frozen.
B. No information.
C. 45-557.

Mission 86 21 April 1945

313th Bomb Wing

505th Bomb Group
42-24844 A. No compression on No. 1, 2, 4, and 6 cylinders No. 2 engine.
B. No information.
C. 45-576.

Mission 89 21 April 1945

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Mission 97 26 April 1945

73rd Bomb Wing

497th Bomb Group
42-63549 A. Ball socket frozen to ryan clamp. Vibration pulled clamp off fitting No. 2 engine No. 8 exhaust stack blown. No. 4 engine ran away on take off. Governor found to be corroded.
B. Exhaust collector ring and stacks replaced, governor replaced.
C. 45-467.

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TO:	INFO:	FROM:
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Mission 104 26 April 1945

314th Bomb Wing

19th Bomb Group

42-63573 A. Radar out. Modulator cover was loose.
B. No information.
C. None

42-66342 A. VHF had a mechanical defect.
B. No information.
C. None.

Mission 106 26 April 1945

314th Bomb Wing

39th Bomb Group

44-69768 A. Radar set out.
B. None since cause still undetermined.
C. None as yet.

44-9779 A. Radar transmitter out.
B. Maintenance being done on radar set.
C. Will be submitted if defect is discovered.

44-169890 A. Fire in radio compartment.
B. Cause undetermined.
C. None as yet.

44-69768 A. Oil temperature No. 1 engine up. RPM fluctuated 300 RMPs, ran up to 2800. Metal particles found in front sump.
B. Engine changed.
C. None as yet

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314th Bomb Wing

330th Bomb Group
42-93935 A. Failure of carbon vanes on both fuel transfer pumps.
B. Pumps replaced and system flushed.
C. None as yet.

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313th Bomb Wing

59th Bomb Group
42-24900 A. No. 1 engine cut out. 3 reconditioned spark plugs with porcelain broken around center electrode.
B. Plugs changed.
C. 45-619.

42-93896 A. No. 3 engine power failure. No compression on No. 3 and No. 6 cylinders.
B. No information.
C. 45-03.

505th Bomb Group
42-93894 A. No. 2 engine backfired in auto rich and lean in all power settings. No. 4 cylinder no compression No. 1 and No. 3 low compression.
B. No information.
C. 45-544.

44-69662 A. Carbon vanes in both fuel transfer pumps broken.
B. Selector valves are being pulled and cleaned.
C. 45-591.

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313th Bomb Wing

6th Bomb Group

42-24825 A. Manifold pressure No. 1 engine dropped to 32" HG after take off. Supercharger drain valve was inoperative, pressure seal broken.
B. Other engines are being changed for time. No. 1 will then be flight tested to see if any other cause.
C. Pending.

42-24684 A. Bot bomb bay door motors bumed out. Doors would not open all the way or close.
B. Motors being replaced.
C. 45-712.

9th Bomb Group

42-63512 A. Front short exhaust stack blown off No. 4 cylinder No. 3 engine caught fire.
B. Engine being changed.
C. 45-556.

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