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I. GENERAL

| (d) Take of                 |  |  |  | Time (LZT                     |            |                      | _(Zone); L               |                          | ReturnLor              |         |                          |
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| TYPE (a)                    | SQUADRON<br>(b)  | OFF ENEMY A/C TARGET CARRIED (PER PLANE) |  |                               |            |                      | FUZE, SETTING  (g)       |                          |                        |         |                          |
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| III. O                      | THER U. S.   | OR ALLIE                                 | DAIRCRAFT  | EMPLOYED                      | IN THIS    | OPER                 | ATION.                   |                          |                        |         |                          |
| TYPE                        | SQUADRON   | NUMBER                                   | 変更を決める 有性 人 内学者  | BASE                          |            | TYPE SQUADRON NUMBER |                          | BASE                     |                        |         |                          |
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| (a)                         | (b)  | (c)                                      | ERVED OR EN  |                               | (e)        | rcraft               | (f                       | )                        |                        | (g)     |                          |
| TYPE                        | OBSERVED   | NO ENGAGIN                               | G TIME<br>ENCOUNTERED  | LOCAT                         | OUNTER .   |                      | BOMBS, TORPEL<br>GUNS OF | DOES CARRIED,<br>BSERVED | CAMOUFLAGE AND MARKING |         |                          |
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|                             |  |  | (ZONE  | )                             |            |                      |                          |                          |                        |         |                          |
| (h) Apparer                 | nt Enemy M   | lission(s)                               |  |                               |            |                      |                          |                          |                        | n- 5    |                          |
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| (i) Encoun                  | ter(s) Occu  | r in Clouds                              | (YES OR NO)  | If so, Descri                 | ibe Clouds | -<br>),              | (BASE IN                 | FEET, TYPE A             | ND TENTHS OF           | COVER)  |                          |
| (i) of Sun                  | Day and Br   | illiance                                 | The state of the s |                               |            |                      |                          | _(k) Visib               | sility                 |         |                          |
| () Or Surr                  |  |  | (NIGHT, BRIGH  |                               |            |                      |                          |                          |                        | (MILES) |                          |
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|                             | - No. 2 - 1. No. 2 - 1 | SQUADRON                                 |  | OR GUNNER                     |            | GUNS                 | USED                     | WHERE                    | HII, ANGLE             |         | (d)<br>DAMAGE<br>CLAIMED |
| V. ENI  (a)  TYPE ENEMY A/C | (b) DESTRO   | T  |  | OR GUNNER                     |            | GUNS                 | USED                     | WHERE                    | HII, ANGLE             |         | DAMAGE                   |
|                             | (b) DESTRO   | T  |  | OR GUNNER                     |            | GUNS                 | USED                     | WHERE                    | HII, ANGLE             |         | DAMAGE<br>CLAIMED        |
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VI. LOSS OR DAMAGE, COMBAT OR OPERATIONAL, OF OWN AIRCRAFT (of those listed in II only). CAUSE: TYPE ENEMY A/C,
TYPE GUN, OR OPERATIONAL CAUSE WHERE HIT, ANGLE (List armor, self-sealing tanks, equipment hit) (a) (b) (e)
EXTENT OF LOSS OR DAMAGE,
(Give Bureau serial number of planes destroyed) TYPE OWN A/C SQUADRON

VII. PERSONNEL CASUALTIES (in aircraft listed in II only; identify with planes listed in VI by Nos. at left). (a) (b) (c) (d) (e) SQUADRON NAME, RANK OR RATING CAUSE CONDITION OR STATUS HOUR

VIII. RANGE, FUEL, AND AMMUNITION DATA FOR PLANES RETURNING

| (a)<br>TYPE | (b)<br>MILES | (c)<br>MILES | AV. HOURS | (e)<br>AV. FUEL | AV. FUEL | (g) TOTAL AMMUNITION EXPENDED |      |      | (h) |                         |
|-------------|--------------|--------------|-----------|-----------------|----------|-------------------------------|------|------|-----|-------------------------|
| A/C         | OUT          | RETURN       | IN AIR    | LOADED          | CONSUMED | .30                           | 50   | 20MM | MM  | NO. OF PLANES RETURNING |
| 737-3       | 84           | 90           | 3.25      | 330             | 160      | 2500                          | 2000 | ***  |     | 8                       |
|             |              |              |           |                 |          |                               |      |      |     |                         |

IX. ENEMY ANTI-AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERED (Check one block on each line).

| CALIBER                                   | NONE | MEAGER | MODERATE | INTENSE |
|---|------|--------|----------|---------|
| HEAVY — Time-fused shells, 75mm and over  |      |        |          |         |
| MEDIUM — Impact-fused shells, 20mm-50mm   |      | **     |          |         |
| LIGHT — Machine gun bullets, 6.5mm-13.2mm |      | 145.00 |          |         |

X. COMPARATIVE PERFORMANCE, OWN AND ENEMY AIRCRAFT (use check list at left).

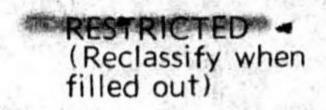
SPEED, CLIMB, at various altitudes

No opportunity for comparison

TURNS DIVES CEILINGS RANGE PROTECTION ARMAMENT

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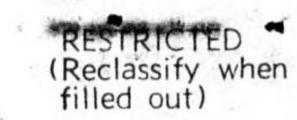


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|                          |                          | (BASE IN FEET                      | TYPE AND TENTHS OF COVER)                        |                             |  |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------------|--|-----------------------------|--|
| d) Visibility of Target  | (CLEAR, HA               | ZY, PARTIALLY OBSCURED             | BY CLOUDS, ETC.)                                 | Visibility                  | (MILES)  |
| f) Bombing Tactics: Type | 2 100                    | (LEVEL, GLIDE OR DIVE)             |  |                             | (TYPE)   |
| Bombs Dropped per Ru     | п(NUMBE                  | Spacing_                           | (FEET) Altitud                                   | e of Bomb Re                | ease(FEET)                                       |
| g) Number of Enemy Air   | craft Hit on Gro         | ound: Destroyed                    | Probably Destroyed                               |                             | _ Damaged  |
| (h)<br>AIMING POINT      | DIMENSIONS OR<br>TONNAGE | (j) NO. A/C ATTACKING (k) SQUADRON | BOMBS AND AMMUNITION EXPENDED, EACH AIMING POINT | NO. HITS On<br>Aiming Point | DAMAGE (None, slight, serious, destroyed or sunk |
| logid Aroa 797A          |                          |                                    |  | 91 1n<br>0100               | Tot observed                                     |
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coopensor of damage was impossible.

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#### CONFIDENTIAL

ENGAGEMENT WITH ENEMY OWN AIRCRAFT

> Disposition 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

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.)

> Bight IBM-3's from VI-12, eight bombers from VB-12 and four fighters from VBF-12 participated in this routine support mission for advancing troops on Okinawa. All reported in to CASCU at an approach point east of the island and wore directed to an orbitting point.

From here the torpedo planes were ordered to attack a road and buildings in Grid Area 7974 M-N-R-S.

Because of heavy low clouds it was impossible to make standard high speed glide runs so low level attacks were necessary. All bombs were dropped in train, in one run, and had 4-5 second delay tail fuses.

On this attack, which was conducted close to the front lines, the advance panels of our troops were clearly visibile, which had not been the case in many provious missions. double line of panels was used and this system is recommended for its better visibility to pilots.

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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 Mark IV bomb shackle fulled to release over the terget and the bomb later was jettlached on the way back to the ship. Also four of the bombo dropped did not detenate although they were believed to have been armed.

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