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Mission No. 251 - Chiba
252 - Akashi
253 - Shimizu 6/7 July 1945
254 - Kofu
255 - Maruzen - 3/5 WG

MISSION NO. 251 CHIBA
252 AKASHI
253 SHIMIZU 6/7 July 1945
254 KOFU
255 MARUZEN

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Brief of Field Order	Telecon	7r-05-34		052335Z	JR

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MISSION PLAN

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QFN-05-31

FROM: LEMAY COMGENBOMCOM 21 052335Z

TO: COMAF 20

INFO: DEPCOMAF 20 (SAME PRECEDENCE AS ACTION)

AIMCR 5281 SUBJECT: BRIEF OF FIELD ORDER NUMBER 96 CHIBA, AKASHI, SHIMIZU, KOFU URBAN AREAS AND TARGET 90.25-1764 ARE SCHEDULED TO BE ATTACKED ON NIGHT OF 6/7 JULY.

TARGET	MPI	FORCE	TONNAGE
CHIBA	086094	58 WING - 120 A/C	900
AKASHI	106053	73 WING - 120 A/C	960
SHIMIZU	061097	313 WING- 120 A/C	900
KOFU	062085	314 WING - 120 A/C	900
90.25-1764	126093	315 WING - 60 A/C	540

MPI REFERENCE: XXI BOM COM LITHO MOSAICS:

CHIBA - CHIBA AREA NO. 90.14-2145

AKASHI - AKASHI AREA, KAWASAKI A/C CO. NO 90.25-1547.

SHIMIZU" SHIMIZU AREA NO. 90.18 URBAN

KOFU - KOFU AREA NO. 90.16 URBAN

90.25-1764 - WAKAYAMA AREA, MARUZEN OIL REFINERY 90.25-1764

BOMB LOAD:

58 WING: 2 GROUPS M-47IB'S.

2 GROUPS CLUSTERS CONTAINING M-69 BOMBS.

73 WING: 1 GROUP M-76IB'S.

3 GROUPS CLUSTERS CONTAINING M-69 BOMBS.

313 WING: 2 GROUPS M-47IB'S.

2 GROUPS M-17 CLUSTERS.

314 WING: 1 GROUP M-47IB'S

3 GROUPS CLUSTERS CONTAINING ~~3X 14970 :)7534 :9,5 INING~~ M-69 BOMBS.

315 WING: 500 LB GP'S.

BOMB FUSING: M-47IB - INSTANTANEOUS NOSE.

M-76IB - INSTANTANEOUS NOSE AND NON DELAY TAIL.

S CLUSTERS - FOR 58 AND 314 WINGS - OPEN 5000 FEET ABOVE TARGET.

CLUSTERS - FOR 73 WING - OPEN 2500 FEET ABOVE TARGET.

M-17 CLUSTERS - OPEN 3000FEET ABOVE TARGET.

500 LB GP'S - 1/40 NOSE AND NON DELAY TAIL.

ROUTE: THROUGH IWO JIMA TO AND FROM TARGETC

58 WING	73 WING
351830N - 14025E (IP)	3350N - 13445E
TARG ET	341930E - 1344530E (IP)
180 DEGREE RIGHT TURN	TARGET
3535N - 14031E	3452N - 13505E

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ROUTE: THROUGH IWO JIMA TO AND FROM TARGETC

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58 WING

351830N - 14025E (IP)

TARG
ET

180 DEGREE RIGHT TURN

3535N - 14031E

3520N - 14045E

S

73 WING

3350N - 13445E

341930E - 1344530E (IP)

TARGET

3452N - 13505E

3458N - 13440E

LEFT TURN

3333N - 13419E

313 WING

3441N - 13927E

345830N - 1390730E (IP)

TARGET S

3401N - 13815E

314 WING

I 3436N - 13814E (IP)

TARGET - RIGHT TURN

3514N - 1$909E

ZL315 WING

3322N - 13403E

3350N - 1344430E GKIP)

TARGET

3335N - 13557E

GENERAL SCHEME OF ATTACK: BY INDIVIDUAL AIRCRAFT PRECEDED BY 12 AIRCRAFT FROM EACH WING FLOWN BY BEST RADAR BOMBING CREWS. WINGS ARE TO COMPRESS FORCE OVER TARGET TO WITHIN 70 MINUTES. NO FIGHTER ESCORT.

ALTITUDE OF ATTACK: 58 WING - 10,000 - 10,800 FEET.
73 C313 WINGS -7,000 - 7,800 FEET.
314 WING - 13,200 - 14,000 FEET.
315 WING - 10,000 - 11,000 FEET.

TIME CONTROL:

WING	TAKE OFF	OVER TARGET	Y RETURN TO BASE
58	060930Z	061630Z	062255Z
73	060800Z	061520Z	062255Z
313	060900Z	061600Z	062220Z
314	060800Z	061530Z	062210Z
315	060700Z	061440Z	062130Z

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ECC: UNDER BOMB FUSING: M-17 CLUSTERS - OPEN 3000 FPRT 3000 FEET INSTEAD OF 300
TOD 060025Z DM K
TOD: 060051Z RT

ROGER V WCR 0051Z

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CC. LINE AFTER 314TH WIND

RPT WING

3 GROUPS CLUSTERS CONTAINING M-69 BOMBS.

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1st Jo	251	Telecom	FN-06-22		061012z	SK
" "	252	Telecom	FN-06-15		060823z	SK
" "	253	Telecom	FN-06-20		060934z	SK
" "	254	"	FN-06-13		060810z	SK
" "	255	"	FN-06-11		060720z	SK
Takeoff		Telecom				
Takeoff	252	Telecom	FN-06-23		061046z	SK
"	253	"				
"	254	"				
Takeoff	255	"	FN-06-19		060932z	SK
Takeoff Report #251		"	FN-06-28		061243z	NA

TAKE OFF REPORTS

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TELECON MESSAGE FN-06-28

FROM: BOMCOM XYI 061243 Z

TO: COMAF 20

INFO: DEPCOMAF 20

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AIMCR 5320 SUBJECT: TAKE OFF REPORT FOR MISSION NO. 251

TARGET CHIBA URBAN AREA, 253 TRAGET SHIMIZU URBAN AREA FLOWN

6 JULY 45. RPT 1945

MISSION NO:		251	253
1. UNITS:	XXI BOMCOM	58TH	313TH
2. A/C SCHEDULED:	270	132	138
3. A/C S AIRBORNE:	267	129	138
4. 1ST A/C OFF:	060849Z	060930Z	060849Z
5. LAST A/C OFF:	061121Z	061106Z	061021Z

6. REMARKS: 4 RADAR JAMMING A/C AIRBORNE WITH STRIKE 251

AND 1 SUPERDUMBO AIRBORNE - NOT INCLUDED IN TOTALS ABOVE.

END:

TOD: 1305Z EK

END:

TOD: 1328Z VF

ROGER 1328Z WCR

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ACTION:	C/S	DC/S Opr	DC/S TM&E	DC/S P&A	A-1	A-2	A-3 Tng	A-3 OC&R	A-4	A-5 Plans	Air Insp
	PRO	Comm.	Op Anal	Stat Con	Anti-Acft	FSO	A.G.	Surg			
INFORMATION:	C/S	DC/S Opr	DC/S TM&E	DC/S P&A	A-1	A-2	A-3 Tng	A-3 OC&R	A-4	A-5 Plans	Air Insp
	PRO	Comm.	Op Anal	Stat Con	Anti-Acft	FSO	A.G.	Surg			

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QWCR V RGE NR 33 (OP OP OP SECRET) 6 JULU 45
TELECON MESSAGE FN-06-19..

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FROM: BOMCOM XXI ~~06092~~ ~~XXXX~~ 060932Z

TO: COMAF 20

INFO: DEPCOMAF 20 (POA)

AIMCR 5309

~~SUBJEVT: TAKE OFF REPOGTHMISSIOM 255 TAGGET MARUZ~~
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SUBJECT: TAKE OFF REPORT MISSION 255 TARGET MARUZEN OIL REFINERY

FLOWN 6 JULY 45.

1. UNIT: 315TH WING

2. NO. ~~A/C: SCHEDULED: 60~~ A/C SCHEDULED: 60

3. NO A/C AIRBORNE: 60

4. FIRST A/C OMF: 060700Z

5. LAST A/C OFF: 060807Z

END:

TOD: 0952Z JAW.

END:

TOD: 1040Z VF

CC.. 2. NO. A/C SCHD SCHEDULED: 60

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ROGER 1040Z WCR

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WCR V RGE 37 (OP OP OP SECRET) 6 JULY 45

TELECON MESSAGE FN-06-23

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FROM: BOMCOM XXI 061046Z
TO : COMAF 20
INFO: DEPCOMAF 20 (POA)

AIMCR 5314 SUBJECT: TAKE OFF REPORT FOR MISSIONS NO. 252 TARGET AKASHI URBAN AREA, 254 TARGET KOFU URBAN AREA FLOWN 6 JULY 45.

MISSION NO:		252	254
1. UNITS:	XXI BOMCOM	73RD	314
2. A/C SCHEDULED:	264	132	132
3. A/C AIRBORNE:	269	131	138
4. 1ST A/C OFF:	060730Z	060800Z	060730Z
5. LAST A/C OFF:	060912Z	060912Z	060909Z
6. EARLY RETURNS:	3	3	0

7. REMARKS: 3 SUPERDUMBOS AIRBORNE NOT INCLUDED IN ABOVE FIGURES.

END

TOD:1116Z RB/JAW

END:

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TOD: 1120Z VF

ROGER 1120Z WCR

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WCR V RGE NR 19 (OP OP OP SECRET) 6 JULY 45

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TELECON MESSAGE FN-06-11
FROM: COMGENBOMCOM 21 060720Z

TO: COMAF 20

INFO: DEPCOMAF 20 (POA)

AIMCR 5301 SUBJECT: FIRST TAKEOFF REPORT ON STRIKE NO. 255 (MARUZEN)

FIRST AIRCRAFT AIRBORNE AT 060700Z

WEATHER EXPECTED:

BASES ON TAKEOFF: 4/10 LOW CLOUD BASE 1800 TOP 6000 WITH FEW TOPS TO 25000 AND SCATTERED SHOWERS.

ROUTE TO TARGETS: AS BASE EXCEPT FOR NARROW ZONE AT ABOUT 18 DEG NORTH WHERE LOW CLOUD INCREASES TO 6/10 BASE 1500 TOPS 12 TO 18000 AND FEW TOPS TO 30000 WITH MODERATE SHOWERS. NORTH OF THIS LINE OF INCREASED CLOUD CONDITIONS GENERALLY SCATTERED PATCHES OF LOW CLOUD WITH SIMILAR MIDDLE CLOUD.

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TARGET: 4/10 LOW CLOUD AT 1800 BASE WITH TOPS 6000 AND LITTLE MIDDLE CLOUD.

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ROUTE RETURNING: AS ROUTE TO TARGET.

BASES AT RETURN: 4/10 LOW CLOUD BASE 2000 TOPS 5 TO 6000 FEET.

VISIBILITY UNRESTRICTED.

END

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TOD 060742Z FER
ROG

END: 0755Z VF
ROGER 0755Z WCR

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WCR V RGE NR 27 (OP OP SECRET) 6 JULY 45

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QTELECON MESSAGE FN-06-13

FROM COMGENBOMCOM 21 060810Z

TO COMAF 20

INFO DEPCOMAF 20 (POA)

AIMCR 5304 SUBJECT: FIRST TAKEOFF REPORT ON STRIKE NO. 254 (KOFU)

FIRST AIRCRAFT AIRBORNE AT 060730Z.

WEATHER EXPECTED: SAME AS OUR AIMCR 5301 DTG 060720Z EXCEPT AT TARGET.

TARGET: 4/10 LOW CLOUD AT BASE 1800 TOPS 7000 WITH 5/10 MIDDLE CLOUD IN PATCHES AT 16000 FEET.

END

TOD 060826Z FER

END:

TOD: 0850Z VF

ROGER 0850Z WCR

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TELECON MESSAGE FN-06-20

FROM: COMGENBOMCOM 21 060934Z

OPR

TO: COMAF 20

INFO: DEPCOMAF 20 (POA)

AIMCR 5310

SUBJECT: FIRST TAKE OFF REPORT ON STRIKE NO. 253 (SHIMIZU)

FIRST AIRCRAFT AIRBORNE AT 060849Z.

WEATHER EXPECTED: SAME AS OUR AIMCR 5301, DTG 060720Z EXCEPT AT TARGET.

TARGET: 5/10 LOW CLOUD BASE 1500 TOPS 6000 FEET WITH PATCHES OF 6/10 MIDDLE CLOUD AT 14,000 FEET.

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TOD: 1008Z JW.
KEND:

TOD: 1035Z VF
ROGER 1035Z WCR

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WCR V RGE NR 26 (OP OP SECRET) 6 JULY 45

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TELECON MESSAGE FN-06-15

FROM COMGENBOMCOM 21 060823Z

TO COMAF 20

INFO DEPCOMAF 20 (POA)

AIMCR 5305 SUBJECT: FIRST TAKEOFF REPORT ON STRIKE NO. 252 (AKASHI)

FIRST AIRCRAFT AIRBORNE AT 060800Z.

EATHER EXPECTED: SAME AS OUR AIMCR 5301 DTG 060720Z.

END

NOTE: INFO ADSES ARE SAME PRECEDENCE S ACTION

TOD 060837Z FER

END:

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TOD: 0850Z VF

ROGER 0850Z WCR

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WCR V RGE NR 34 (SECRET OP OP) 6 JULY 45

KTELECON MESSAGE FN-06-22

FROM: COMGEN BOMCOM 21 061012Z

TO: COMAF 20

INFO: DEPCOMAF 20 (POA)

KAIMCR 5312 SUBJECT: FIRST TAKEOFF REPORT ON STRIKE NO. 251 (CHIBA)

FIRST AIRCRAFT AIRBORNE AT 060930Z

WEATHER EXPECTED: SAME AS OUR AIMCR 5301, DTG 060720Z EXCEPT AT TRXXRPT TARGET.

TARGET: 8/10 LOW CLOUD BASE 1000 TOPS 4000 FEET WITH PATCHES OF 6/10 MIDDLE CLOUD ABOVE .

END:

TOD: 1030Z RB

END:

TOD: 1050Z VF

ROGER 1050Z WCR

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1st Bombs Away Rpt #255	Telecon	FN-06-30		061438Z	HH
1st Bombs Away Rpt #254	"	FN-06-31		061558Z	HH
1st Bombs Away Rpt #252	"	FN-06-32		061606Z	HH
1st Bombs Away Rpt #253	"	FN-06-33		061623Z	HH
1st BA - 251	"	FN-06-36		061750Z	SR
Cons. B.A. 254-255	"	FN-06-35		061725Z	SR
Cons. B.A. 252-253		FN-06-37		061818Z	SR
" " 251	"	FN-06-38		062026Z	RR
Return Report 252, 3, 4	"	" - 07-06		070555Z	139R
" " 251, 5	"	" - 07-11		070704Z	139R

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RETURN RPTS

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WCR V RGE NR 18 (OP OP SECRET)
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TELECON MESSAGE FN-Ø7-11

FROM: BOMCOM XXI Ø7Ø6Ø4Z

TO : COMAF 2Ø

INFO: DEPCOMAF 2Ø ROA..(OPOP)
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AIMCR 5350

SUBJECT: RETURN REPORT, MISSION 251 AND 255 TARGET CHIBA AND MARUZEN

OIL REFINERY FLOWN 6-7 JULY 45.

MISSION NO:	251	255
1. UNIT:	58TH WING	315TH WING
2. A/C RETURNED:	116	6Ø
3. A/C AWAY:	13	Ø
4. KNOWN LOSSESCC	Ø	Ø
5. A/C MISSING:	Ø	Ø
6. TIME DOWN FIRST:	Ø62243Z	Ø62Ø51Z
7. TIME DOWN LAST:	Ø7Ø243Z	Ø62237Z
8. A/C NOT BOMBING:	4	Ø
9. A/C BMMBS UNKNOWN:	2	Ø

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1Ø. TGTS ATKD.	NO.A/C	CLOUD	ALTITUDE	METHOD	RESULTS
STK 251: CHIBA	123	8-1Ø/1Ø	1Ø,ØØØ	118R-1V-1N-1?	UNOBS
STK 255: MARUZEN OIL REFINERY	58	5-1Ø/1Ø	1Ø,45Ø	57R - 1N	UNOBS
UNKNOWNOPP. TLT	2	1Ø/1Ø	1Ø,5ØØ	RADAR	UNOBS

11. E/A OPPOSITION: STK 251: NIL. STK 255: FLIGHT.

12. FLAK:	CALIBER	INTENSITY	ACCURACY
STK 251: PT	HEAVY	MEAGER	INACCURATE
STK 255: PT	HEAVY	MEAGER	INACCURATE

13. OBSERVATIONS: NONE

14. REMARKS: STK 251: 3 RCM A/C LANDED AT TINIAN, 1 AT IWO.

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TELECON MESSAGE FN-Ø7-11

FROM: BOMCOM XXI Ø7Ø6Ø4Z

TO : COMAF 2Ø

INFO: DEPCOMAF 2Ø PCOA..(OPOP)
CACSUBC
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AIMCR 535Ø

SUBJECT: RETURN REPORT, MISSION 251 AND 255 TARGET CHIBA AND MARUZEN

OIL REFINERY FLOWN 6-7 JULY 45.

MISSION NO:	251	255
1. UNIT:	58TH WING	315TH WING
2. A/C RETURNED:	116	6Ø
3. A/C AWAY:	13	Ø
4. KNOWN LOSSESCC	Ø	Ø
5. A/C MISSING:	Ø	Ø
6. TIME DOWN FIRST:	Ø62243Z	Ø62Ø51Z
7. TIME DOWN LAST:	Ø7Ø243Z	Ø62237Z
8. A/C NOT BOMBING:	4	Ø
9. A/C BMMBS UNKNOWN:	2	Ø

SECRET

1Ø. TGTS ATKD.	NO.A/C	CLOUD	ALTITUDE	METHOD	RESULTS
STK 251: CHIBA	123	8-1Ø/1Ø	1Ø,ØØØ	118R-1V-1N-1?	UNOBS
STK 255: MARUZEN OIL REFINERY	58	5-1Ø/1Ø	1Ø,45Ø	57R - 1N	UNOBS
UNKNOWNOPP. TLT	2	1Ø/1Ø	1Ø,5ØØ	RADAR	UNOBS

11. E/A OPPOSITION: STK 251: NIL. STK 255: FLIGHT.

12. FLAK:	CALIBER	INTENSITY	ACCURACY
STK 251: PT	HEAVY	MEAGER	INACCURATE
STK 255: PT	HEAVY	MEAGER	INACCURATE

13. OBSERVATIONS: NONE

14. REMARKS: STK 251: 3 RCM A/C LANDED AT TINIAN, 1 AT IWO.

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WCR V RGE NR 15 OP OP SECRET

FN-Ø7-Ø6

FROM: BOMCOM XXI Ø7Ø419Z

KTO : COMAF 2Ø

INFO: DEPCOMAF 2Ø LOA

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SUBJECT RETURN REPORT, MISSION NO. 252-3-4, TARGET AKASHI, SHIMIZU AND KOFU URBAN AREAS FLOWN 6-7 JULY 1945

MISSION NO:	252	253	254
1. UNIT:	73RD	313TH	314TH
2. A/C RETURNED:	129	134	135
3. A/C AWAY:	2	2	3
4. KNOWN LOSSES:	Ø	Ø	Ø
5. A/C MISSING:	Ø	Ø	Ø
6. TIME DOWN FIRST:	Ø62Ø29Z	Ø62100Z	Ø62129Z
7. TIME DOWN LAST:	Ø7ØØØ1Z	Ø62334Z	Ø62352Z
8. A/C NOT BOMBING:	7	3	7
9. A/C BOMBS UNKNOWN:	Ø	2	3

1Ø. TARGETS ATKD.	NO.A/C	CLOUD	ALTITUDE	METHOD	RESULTS
STK 252 - AKASHI	123	9-1Ø/1Ø	7,5ØØ	118R-4V-1N	UNOB-EXCEL
O/TGT - OSAKA	1	1Ø/1Ø	8,2ØØ	NAVIG	UNOBS
STK 253 A SHIMIZU	131	4-1Ø/1Ø	7,6ØØ	RADAR	UNOBS-EXCEL
STK 254 - KOFU	128	7-1Ø/1Ø	14,5ØØ	1Ø6R-22V	UNOBS-EXCEL

11. E/A OPPOSITION: STK 252: NIL STK 253: SLIGHT STK 254: NILO

12. FLAK:	CALIBER	INTENSITY	ACCURACY
STK 252 - TGT	LIGHT-MED-HVY	MEAGER	INACCURATE
STK 253 - TGT	HVY AND MED	N/L-MOD	INACCURATE
STK 254 - TGT	HEAVY	MEAGER	INACCURATE

13. OBSERVATIONS

STK 252: SMALL FIRES AT HIROHATA AND HIMEJI.

STK 253: FEW A/C REPORTED SHIMIZU ABLAZE DOWN TO WATERFRONT.

STK 254: LARGE STREAM OF VEHICLES LEAVING KOFU. LARGE FIRES WITH SMOKE TO 22,ØØØ FT.

14. REMARKS: NONE

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TOD V RGE Ø7Ø555Z LC

ROGER V WCR Ø555Z

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UWCR V YAMF NR52 OPOP SECRET
PASS TO COMAF 20 AS FN-06-38

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FROM: BOM COM XXI 061946Z
TO : COMAF 20

INFO: DEPCOMAF 20 (POA) ROUTINE: BOMWG'S 58,73,313,314,315.
ATTN: A-2'S (T TO GPS)

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AIMCR 5330 SUBJECT: CONSOLIDATED BOMBS AWAY FOR MISSION 251 TARGET CHIBA URBAN AREA FLOWN 6 JULY 1945.

1. MISSION NO: 251

2. UNIT: 58TH WING
3. NO A/C REPORTING: 6

4. TARGETS BOMBED: PRIMARY
5. BOMB METHOD: RADAR
6. CLOUD COVER: 10/10

7. RESULTS: A. GEN CONFLAG: 2, B. UNOBSERVED: 4

8. FIGHTER OPPOSITION: 2 A/C - SLT
9. FLAK: NIL TO MOD
10. TIME OVER TARGET: FIRST: 061659 Z, LAST: 061742 Z
11. EARLY RETURNS: 2

12. REMARKS: NIL
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TOD:.2010Z SL K

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TOD:-2026Z RH
ROGER 2026Z WCR

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ACTION:	C/S	DC/S Opr	DC/S TM&E	DC/S P&A	A-1	A-2	A-3 Tng	A-3 OC&R	A-4	A-5 Plans	Air Insp	PRO
	Comm.	Op Anal	Stat Con	Anti-Acft	FSO	A.C.	Surg					
INFORMATION:	C/S	DC/S Opr	DC/S TM&E	DC/S P&A	A-1	A-2	A-3 Tng	A-3 OC&R	A-4	A-5 Plans	Air Insp	PRO
	Comm.	Op Anal	Stat Con	Anti-Acft	FSO	A.C.	Surg					

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WCR V RF
RGF NR 52 OPO SECRET

T-COMAF 20 AS FN-06-37

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SECRET

FROM: BOMCOM XXI 061818Z

TO : COMAF 20

INFO: DEPCOMAF 20 (POA) BOMWG'S 58 73 313 314 315. ATTN: A-2'S

(T TO GPS)

AIMCR 5329 SUBJECT: CONSOLIDATED BOMBS AWAY FOR J MISSIONS 252-253 TARGETS AKASHI AND SHIMIZU URBAN AREA S FLOWN 6 JULY 45.

1. MISSIONS NOS:	252	253
2. UNITS:	73	313
3. NO. A/C REPORTING:	7	8
4. TARGETS BOMBED:	PRIMARY	PRIMARY
5. BOMB METHOD:	RADAR	RADAR
6. CLOUD COVER:	3-10/10	7-10/10
7. RESULTS:A. GEN CONFLAG:	1	3
B. SEVERAL LARGE FIRES:	4	2
C. FEW SCATTERED FIRES:	1	0
D. UNOBSERVED:	1	3
8. FIGHTER OPPOSITION:	1 A/C-SLT.	1 A/C-SLT
9. FLAK:	NIL TO MG	NIL TO MOD
10. TIME OVER TARGET:	1ST:061528Z,LST:061602Z.	1ST:061533Z,LST:061658Z
11. EARLY RETURNS:	6	3
12. REMARKS:	NIL	NIL

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TOD: 2052Z NT

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FROM: BOM COM XXI 061725Z

TO : COMAF 20

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INFO: DEPCOMAF 20 (POA) BOMWG'S 58 73 313 314 315. ATTN A-2'S
(T TO GPS) (PRECEDENCE ROUTINE FOR INFO ADDEE)

GR-150

IMCR 5327 SUBJECT: CONSOLIDATED BOMBS AWAY FOR MISSION 254-255

TARGETS: KOFU URBAN AREA AND MARUZEN OIL REF OSAKA, FLOWN 6 JULY 45.

1. MISSION NOS: 254 255
2. UNITS: 314 315
3. NO. A/C REPORTING: 9 4
4. TARGETS BOMBED: PRIMARY PRIMAY
5. BOMB METHOD: RADAR RADAR
6. CLOUD COVER: 7-10/10 10/10
7. RESULTS: A. GEN CONGALG: 1 0
B. SEVERAL LARGE FIRES: 4 1
C. FEW SCATTERED FIRES: 0 0
D. UNOBSERVED: 4 3
8. FIGHTER OPPOSITION: 1 A/C -SLT 1 A/C-SLT
9. FLAK: NIL TO MOD NIL
10. TIME OVER TGT:1ST: 061441Z - LST:061550Z. 1ST:061416Z,LST:061458Z
11. EARLY RETURNS: 7 0
12. REMARKS: NIL

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TOD:061750Z HP K

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PASS TO COMAF 20 AS FN-06-36

FROM: LEMAY COMGENBOMCOM XXI 061750Z

TO : COMAF 20

INFO: DEPCOMAF 20 (POA) (SAME PRECEDENE AND ACTION)

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CT: ~~FIRSXXXXXX~~ FIRST BOMBS AWAY REPORT ON STRIKE NO.

251 CHIB
(A)

FIRST AIRCRAFT BOMBED PRIMAY T~~ARXXXXX~~ TARGET BY RADAR AT 061659Z

~~THUR~~ THRU 10/10 CLOUDS REPORTING UNOBSERVED RESULTS, NO ~~XXXX~~ FIGHTER

OPPOSITION AND NO FLAK.

END
TOD 061755Z HP K

END

TOD 061812Z EW

ROGER 1812Z WCR

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ACTION:	C/S	DC/S Opr	DC/S TM&E	DC/S P&A	A-1	A-2	A-3 Tng	A-3 OC&R	A-4			
	A-5 Plans	Air Insp	PRO	Comm.	Op Anal	Stat Con	Anti-Acft	FSC				
	A.G.	Surg										
INFORMATION:	C/S	DC/S Opr	DC/S TM&E	DC/S P&A	A-1	A-2	A-3 Tng	A-3 OC&R	A-4			
	A-5 Plans	Air Insp	PRO	Comm.	Op Anal	Stat Con	Anti-Acft	FSC				
	A.G.	Surg										

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RGE PASS TO COMAF 20 AS FN-06-33

FROM: LEMAY COMGENBOMCOM XXI 061627Z

TO COMAF 20

INFO: DEPCOMAF 20 (POA) (SAME PRECEDENCE AS ACTION)

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AIMCR 5325 SUBJECT: FIRST BOMBS AWAY REPORT ON STRIKE NO. 253 (SHIMIZU)

FIRST AIRCRAFT BOMBED PRIMARY TARGET BY RADAR AT 061533Z THRU 9/10 CLOUDS REPORTING UNOBSERVED RESULTS, SLIGHT ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION AND NO FLAK.

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TOD: 061633Z CB

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TOD 17/7Z

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DISTRIBUTION

ACTION:	C/S	DC/S Opr	DC/S TM&E	DC/S P&A	A-1	A-2	A-3 Tng	A-3 OC&R	A-4		
	A-5 Plans	Air Insp	PRO	Comm.	Op Anal	Stat Con	Anti-Acft	FSO			
	A.C.	Surg									
INFORMATION:	C/S	DC/S Opr	DC/S TM&E	DC/S P&A	A-1	A-2	A-3 Tng	A-3 OC&R	A-4		
	A-5 Plans	Air Insp	PRO	Comm.	Op Anal	Stat Con	Anti-Acft	FSO			
	A.C.	Surg									

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S TO COMAF 20 AS FN-06-32

FROM: LEMAY COMGENBOMCOM XXI 061606Z

TO: COMAF 20
INFO: DEPCOMAF 20(POA)(SAME PRECEDENCE AS ACTION)

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AIMCR 5324 SUBJECT: FIRST BOMBW AWAY RPT BOMBS AWAY REPORT ON STRIKE NO. 252 (AKASHI)

FIRSTAIRCRAFT BOMBED PRIMARY TARGET BY RADAR AT 061528Z THRU 6/10 CLOUDS REPORTING SEVERAL LARGE FIRES, NO ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION AND NO FLAK.

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TOD: 061610Z CB

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TOD: 1710Z NT

ROGER 1710Z WCR

DISTRIBUTION

ACTION:	C/S	DC/S Opr	DC/S TM&E	DC/S P&A	A-1	A-2	A-3 Tng	A-3 OC&R	A-4	A-5 Plans	Air Insp
	PRO	Comm.	Op Anal	Stat Con	Anti-Acft	FSC	A.G.	Surg			
INFORMATION:	C/S	DC/S Opr	DC/S TM&E	DC/S P&A	A-1	A-2	A-3 Tng	A-3 OC&R	A-4	A-5 Plans	Air Insp
	PRO	Comm.	Op Anal	Stat Con	Anti-Acft	FSC	A.G.	Surg			

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RGE PASS TO COMAF 20 AS FN-06-31

FROM: LEMAY COMGENBOMCOM XXI 061558Z

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TO: COMAF 20
INFO: DEPCOMAF 20 (POA) (SAME PRECECEN A AS ACTION)
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AIMCR 5323 SUBJECT: FIRST BOMBS AWAY REPORT ON STRIKE NO. 254 (KOFU)
FIRST AIRCRAFT BOMBED PRIMARY TARGET BY RADAR AT 061459Z THRU 8/10

CLUDS REPORTING RPT CLOUDS REPORTING GENERAL CONFLAGRATION, NO FIGHTER

OPPOSITION AND MODERATE FLAK.

END...

TOD: 061604Z CB

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TOD: 1712Z NT

ROGER 172/// 1712Z WCR

DISTRIBUTION

ACTION:	C/S	DC/S Opr	DC/S TM&E	DC/S P&A	A-1	A-2	A-3 Tng	A-3 OC&R	A-4		
	A-5 Plans	Air Insp	PRO	Comm.	Op Anal	Stat Con	Anti-Acft	FSO			
	A.G.	Surg									
INFORMATION:	C/S	DC/S Opr	DC/S TM&E	DC/S P&A	A-1	A-2	A-3 Tng	A-3 OC&R	A-4		
	A-5 Plans	Air Insp	PRO	Comm.	Op Anal	Stat Con	Anti-Acft	FSO			
	A.G.	Surg									

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PASS TO COMAF 20 AS FN-06-30

FROM: LEMAY COMGENBOMCOM XXI 061438Z

TO : COMAF 20

INFO: DEPCOMAF 20 (POA)

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AIMCR 5321 SUBJECT: FIRST BOMBS AWAY REPORT ON STRIKE NO. 255 (MARUZEN)

FIRST AIRCRAFT BOMBED PRIMARY TARGET BY RADAR AT 061422Z THRU 10/10 CLOUDS WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS, REPORTING NO ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION AND NO FLAK.

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TOD.061446Z TAS.

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TOD: 1514Z NT

ROGER 1514Z WCR

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ACTION:	C/S	DC/S Opr	DC/S TM&E	DC/S P&A	A-1	A-2	A-3 Tng	A-3 OC&R	A-4	A-5 Plans	Air Insp	PRO
	Comm.	Op Anal	Stat Con	Anti-Acft	FSO	A.G.	Surg					
INFORMATION:	C/S	DC/S Opr	DC/S TM&E	DC/S P&A	A-1	A-2	A-3 Tng	A-3 OC&R	A-4	A-5 Plans	Air Insp	PRO
	Comm.	Op Anal	Stat Con	Anti-Acft	FSO	A.G.	Surg					

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SPECIFIC SUBJECT	TYPE OF MESSAGE	MESSAGE NO.	DATE AND TIME SENT	DATE AND TIME REC'D	INITIALS
Mission Summary 251	Telecon	FN-07-21		071348Z	KGR
" " #252	"	FN-07-22		071425Z	NA
" " #253	"	FN-07-25		071600Z	NA
" " #254	"	FN-07-24		071515Z	NA
" " #255	"	FN-07-26		071640Z	NA
DAAS Info	typed		7 July		KGR

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SUMMARY

HEADQUARTERS TWENTIETH AIR FORCE

7 July 1945

REPORT OF XXI BOMBER COMMAND

OPERATION NO. 251 - 255 - 6 July 1945

Date

Targets Bombed:

Total A/C Bombing: 570

251 - Chiba - 124

252 - Akashi - 123

253 - Shimizu - 133

254 - Kofu - 130

255 - Maruzen Oil Refinery, Shimotsu - 58

OTHER - 2

Time Over Target: 251, 070140 - 070405; 252, 070015 - 070127; 253, 070033 - 070158 254, 062347 - 070135; 255, 062313 - 070018 Theater Time

Bomb Load: 4246.39 ton (10782 E-46, 30118 M-47, 159 M-26, 2410 M-17, 1500 M-64, 145 M-164A)

Results: Kofu - Unobserved to Excelletn, large fires resulted and smoke observed rising above 20,000 ft.; Chiba - Unobserved; Akashi - Unobserved to Excellent; Shimizu - Large glows observed through undercast and several crews observed entire city ablaze down to waterfront. Several thermals reported; Maruzen oil Refinery - Unobserved.

Tactics: Night bombing by visual and Radar methods from an altitude of 7,500 to 14,500 ft.

A/C Lost or Missing: None

Weather: Shimizu - 4 to 10/10 low cloud with 6/10 thin middle cloud in scattered layers; Chiba - 10/10 low cloud, 7/10 thin middle cloud; Akashi - 4 to 8/10 low cloud, 8/10 middle cloud in thin broken layers; Kofu - 8/10 low cloud, 5/10 middle cloud. Few breaks allowed some visual checks on bombing; Shimatsu - Same as Chiba.

Weather:

Fighter Opposition: Chiba - Nil to weak, 2 S/E/F and 11 unidentified a/c sighted - no attacks.
Kofu - 19 U/I E/A sighted - 1 air to air rocket bombing attack reported.
Akashi - 3 U/I E/A with wing tip lights observed - no attacks.
Shimizu - 26 E/A sighted which made 4 unaggressive attacks. Majority of a/c sighted had their wing lights on.
Shimotsu - 3 S/E, 9-13 U/I E/A observed, several E/A reported closing to very close range - none opened fire, although 12 pursuit curve interceptions reported. 2 ramming attempts, apparently intentional, reported by crews. Collision believed averted by violent evasive action. Majority of E/A kept running lights on while at a distance - turned lights off when closed range.

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Flak:

Chiba - Heavy, medium and light - nil to meager and inaccurate.
Kofu - Heavy and AW, meager and inaccurate, 4-8 S/L's seen in vicinity of Hiratsuka.
Akashi - Heavy medium - meager and inaccurate, cont. pointed. 3 S/L's in target area and 1 S/L N of target area ineffective.
Shimizu - No. of a/c reported no flak at all but those who did reported heavy, medium and AW fire, meager to moderate, and generally inaccurate. Fire in most cases limited to 30 sec. Detection devices seemed to indicate 2 gun laying radar in the area, but inaccurately directing fire. Ground rockets reported in target area, some in groups of six. Flak also reported from Shizuoka, O'Shima, Torishima, and Hachijo Jima.
Shimotsu - Heavy, meager to nil and inaccurate. One series of bursts continuously pointed fire. 3 S/L beams, none coned our a/c. Balloon sighted over target at est. 11,500 ft. Object like a basket in appearance dangling from cable, this believed to be a free explosion balloon, observation made from glow from fires.

~~Claims:~~

Observations: Large stream of vehicles seen leaving Kofu.

~~Fighter Support:~~

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FN-07-26

FROM: BOMCOM XXI 071640

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TO: COMAF 20
INFO: DEPCOMAF 20 (POA) ROUTINE--- BMWG'S58-73-313-314 ATTEC

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AIMCR 5387 SUBJECT: MISSION SUMMARY FOR MISSION NO. 255, TARGET MARUZEN OIL REFINERY, SHIMOTSU, FLOWN 6 JULY 1945.

1. UNIT: 315TH WING

2. TAKE OFF FIRST: 060700Z LAST: 060806Z

3. A/C AIRBORNE: 60

4. BOMBS AIRBORNE: A. TYPE AND NUMBER:

M-64 1560

A164A 145

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B. FUSING:

M-64 FUSED .025 NOSE, INST. TAIL.

A164A FUSED .025 NOSE, INST. TAIL

5. BOMB DISPOSITION:

TARGET AND TYPE BOMBS		A/C	BOMBS		
PRIMARY	M-64	58	1500	375	411.5
	A164A		145	36.5	

B. JETTISONED: 2 A/C 59 X M-64

C. RETURNED: 1 X M-64

D. UNACCOUNTED FOR: NIL

6. A/C NOT BOMBING: 2

A. MECHANICAL: 0 B. PERSONNEL: 0

C. WEATHER: 1 (TOWERING CUMULUS OBSCURED RETURN ON SCOPE)

D. OTHER: 1 (NEAR COLLISION FORCED A/C TO MAKE SECOND RUN, BOMBS HUNG UP AND RELEASED 3 MINUTES PAST TARGET.)

7. AVERAGE BOMB ALTITUDE: A. PRIMARY: 10,550 FT

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8. TIME BOMBS AWAY: A. PRIMARY FIRST: 061413Z LAST: 061518Z

9. BOMB METHOD:

A. PRIMARY: 57 RADAR, 1 NAVIGATION

10. TIME OF RETURN: FIRST: 062052Z LAST: 062237Z

11. CLAIMS: NIL

12. CASUALTIES: NIL

13. NO. A/C LOST: NIL

14. A/C DAMAGED: NIL

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PART B: NARRATIVE:

1. AIR OPPOSITION: 3 S/E, 9-13 UNIDENTIFIED E/A OBSERVED. SEVERAL E/A REPORTED CLOSING TO VERY CLOSE RANGE. NONE OPENED FIRE, ALTHOUGH 12 PURSUIT CURVE INTERCEPTIONS REPORTED. TWO RAMMING ATTEMPTS, APPARENTLY INTENTIONAL, REPORTED BY CREWS. COLLISION BELIEVED AVERTED BY VIOLENT EVASIVE ACTION. MAJORITY OF E/A KEPT RUNNING LIGHTS ON WHILE AT A DISTANCE--TURNED LIGHTS OFF WHEN CLOSED RANGE.

2. FLAK: HEAVY, MEAGER TO NIL, INACCURATE FLAK. ONE SERIES OF BURSTS IN TARGET AREA CONTINUOSLY POINTED FIRE. 3 SEARCHLIGHT BEAMS, NONE CONED OUR A/C. BALLOON SIGHTED OVER TARGET AT ESTIMATED 11,500 FT. OBJECT LIKE A BASKET IN APPEARANCE DANGLING FROM CABLE, THIS BELIEVED TO BE A FREE EXPLOSIVE BALLOON, OBSERVATION MADE FROM GLOW FROM FIRES.

3. WEATHER: SEE OUR AIMCR 5383.

4. AIR SEA RESCUE: NIL

5. FIGHTER ESCORT: NONE

6. BOMBING RESULTS: (BASED ON CREW INTERROGATION) UNOBSERVED.

7. REMARKS: NONE.

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FROM: BOMCOM XXI 071515Z

TO : COMAF 20

INFO: DEPCOMAF 20 (POA) (PRECEDENCE TO INFO'S ROUTINE)

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AIMCR 5385 SUBJECT: MISSION SUMMARY FOR MISSION NO. 254, TARGET KOFU, FLOWN 6 JULY 1945.

1. UNIT: 314TH WING

2. TAKE OFF FIRST: 060730Z

LAST: 060926Z

3. A/C AIRBORNE: 138

4. BOMBS AIRBORNE:

A. TYPE AND NUMBER:

M-47 7110

E-46 3906

M-17A1 30

M-'6 (FLASH) 50

B. FUSINGS: M-47 - M-126A1 INST. NOSE AND NO TAIL.

E-46 - NO NOSE AND T-73 26-29 TAIL.

M-17A1 - T-55;1 19 SEC NOSE AND NO TAIL.

M-46 - M-111A2 33 SEC NOSE AND T-73 26-28 SEC TAIL.

5. BOMB DISPOSTION:

TARGET AND TYPES BOMBS		A/C	BOMBS		
PRIMARY	M-47	130	6560	226.2	964.7
	E-46		3655	731.0	
	M-17		30 ÷4	7.5	
	M-46		45		

B. JETTISONED: 7;"-/C

TYPE BOMBS	NO. BOMBS
M-47	366 ✓
E-46	249 ✓
M-46	5 ✓

C. RETURNED: 2 X E-46

D. UNACCOUNTED FOR: 1 A/C 184 X M-47

6. A/C NOT BOMBING:

A. MECHANICAL: 7

7. AVERATE BOMBING ALTI
G TUDE:

A. PRIMARY: 13,756 FT

8. TIME BOMBS AWAY:

A. PRIMARY FIRST: 061447Z

LAST: 061635Z

9. BOMB METHOD:

A. PRIMARY: 107 RADAR, 23 VISUAL

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TYPE BOMBS	NO. BOMBS
M-47	366
E-46	249
M-46	5

C. RETURNED: 2 X E-46

D. UNACCOUNTED FOR: 1 A/C 184 X M-47

6. A/C NOT BOMBING:

A. MECHANICAL: 7

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7. AVERATE BOMBING ALTI
G TUDE:

A. PRIMARY: 13,756 FT

8. TIME BOMBS AWAY:

A. PRIMARY FIRST: Ø61447Z

LAST: Ø61635Z

9. BOMB METHOD:

A. PRIMARY: 1Ø7 RADAR, 23 VISUAL

1Ø. TIME OF RETURN FIRST: Ø62129Z

LAST: Ø72352Z

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11. CLAIMS: NIL

12. CASUALTIES: NIL

13. NO. A/C LOST: NIL

14. A/C DAMAGED:

A. MAJOR: Ø

B. MINOR: 2 (AA)

PART B: NARRATIVE:

1. AIR OPPOSITION: 19 UNIDENTIFIED E/A SIGHTED. ONE AIR TO AIR ROCKET BOMBING ATTACK REPORTED.

2. FLAK:

LOCATION	CALIBER	INTENSITY	ACCURACY
PRIMARY	HEAVY AND AW	MEAGER	INACCURATE
SHIZUOKA	AW	MEAGER	INACCURATE
OMIYA	AW	MEAGER	INACCURATE
NAMPO SHOTO IS.	HEAVY & AW	---	---

4-8 SEARCHLIGHTS SIGHTED, VICINITY OF HIRATSUKA.

3. WEATHER: WEE OUR AIMCR
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4. AIR SEA RESCUE: NIL

5. FIGHTER ESCORT: NONE

6 BOMBING RESULTS: (BASED ON CREW INTERROGATION) UNOBSERVED TO EXCELLENT. LARGE FIRES RESULTED AND SMOKE WAS OBSERVED RISING ABOVE 2Ø,ØØØ FEET.

7. REMARKS: NONE.

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FN-Ø7-25

FROM: BOMCOM XXI Ø716ØØZ

TO : COMAF 2Ø

INFO: DEPCOMAF 2Ø (POA) (PRECEDENCE TO INFO'S ROUTINE)

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AIMCR 5386 SUBJECT: MISSION SUMMARY FOR MISSION NO. 253, TARGET SHIMIZU, FLOWN 6 JULY 1945.

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1. UNIT: 313TH WING

2. TAKE OFF FIRST: Ø6Ø849Z

LAST:)61Ø34Z

3. A/C AIRBORNE: 136

4. BOMBS AIRBORNE:

A. TYPE AND NUMBER:

M-47A2 12818

M-17 2473

B. FUSING: M-47 - INST. NOSE.

M-17 - TO OPEN AT 3,ØØØ FEET.

5. BOMB DISPOTION:

TARGET AND TYPE BOMB		A/C	BOMBS		
PRIMARY	M-47	133	12620	435.17	1030.17
	M-17		2380	595	

B. JETTISONED: 3 A/C

TYPE BOMBS		NO. BOMBS
M-47	S	197
M-17		93

(INCLUDES HANGUPS ON 8 A/C BOMBING PRIMARY)

C. RETURNED: 1 A/C 1 X M-47

D. UNACCOUNTED FOR: NIL

6. A/C NOT BOMBING:

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A. MECHANICAL: 3

7. AVERAGE BOMBING ALTITUDE:

A. PRIMARY: 7,5ØØ FT

8. TIME BOMBS AWAY:

A. PRIMARY FIRST:I)56)!3Z

LAST: Ø6171ØZ

9. BOMB METHOD:

A. PRIMARY: 119 RADAR, 8 VISUAL, 6 RADAR AND VISUAL.

1Ø. TIME OF RETURN FIRUT: Ø621ØØZ

LAST: Ø6233ØZ

11. CLAIMS: NIL

12. CASUALTIES: NIL

13. NO. A/C LOST: NIL

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C. RETURNED: 1 A/C 1 X M-47

D. UNACCOUNTED FOR: NIL

6. A/C NOT BOMBING:

A. MECHANICAL: 3

7. AVERAGE BOMBING ALTITUDE:

A. PRIMARY: 7,500 FT

8. TIME BOMBS AWAY:

A. PRIMARY FIRST:I)56)!3Z

LAST: 061710Z

9. BOMB METHOD:

A. PRIMARY: 119 RADAR, 8 VISUAL, 6 RADAR AND VISUAL.

10. TIME OF RETURN FIRUT: 062100Z

LAST: 062334Z

11. CLAIMS: NIL

12. CASUALTIES: NIL

13. NO. A/C LOST: NIL

14. A/C DAMAGED: 3 (AA)

A. MAJOR: 2

B. MINOR: 1

PART B: NARRATIVE:

1. AIR OPPOSITION: 26 E/A SIGHTED WHICH MADE 4 UNAGGRESSIVE ATTACKS. MAJORITY OF A/C SIGHTED HAD THEIR WING LIGHTS ON.

2. FLAK: A NUMBER OF A/C REPORTED NO FLAK AT ALL AT THE PRIMARY TARGET, BUT THOSE WHO DID REPORTED HEAVY, MEDIUM AND AUTOMA

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TARGET, BUT THOSE WHO DID REPORTED HEAVY, MEDIUM AND AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE, MEAGER TO MODERATE AND GENERALLY INACCURATE. DURATION OF FIRE LIMITED IN MOST CASES TO 30 SECONDS. DETECTION DEVICES SEEMED TO INDICATE 2 GUN LAYING RADAR IN THE AREA, BUT INACCURATELY DIRECTING FIRE. GROUND ROCKETS REPORTED IN THE TARGET AREA, SOME IN GROUPS OF SIX. FLAK ALSO REPORTED ENCOUNTERED FROM SHIZUOKA, O'SHIMA, TORISHIMA AND HACHIJO JIMA.

3. WEATHER: SEE OUR AIMCR 5383

4. AIR SEA RESCUE: NIL

5. FIGHTER ESCORT: NONE

6. BOMBING RESULTS: (BASED ON CREW INTEROGATION) LARGE GLOWS OBSERVED THROUGH UNDERCAST AND SEPERAL CREWS TBSERVED ENTIRE CITY ABLAZE DOWN TO THE WATERFRONT. SEVERE THERMALS REPORTED.

7. REMARKS: ~~7~~ ~~2,3~~ NONE

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UFN-07-22

QFROM: COMGENBOMCOM XXI 071425Z

TO: COMAF 20

INFO: DEPCOMAF 20 (POA) (ROUTINE)

A-2'S (T TO GROUPS)

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AIMCR 5382 SUBJECT: MISSION SUMMARY FOR MISSION NO. 252, TARGET AKASHI, FLOWN 6 JULY 1945.

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1. UNIT: 73RD WING

2. TAKE OFF FIRST: 060800Z LAST: 060858Z

3. A/C AIRBORNE: 131

4. BOMBS AIRBORNE:

A. TYPE AND NUMBER:

SECRET

E-46 5105

M-46 12

B. FUSING: E-46'S FUSED TO OPEN 2,500 FT ABOVE TARGET.

M-46'S FUSED TO OPEN 2, 3, 4, & 5,000 FT ABOVE TARGET.

5. BOMB DISPOSITION:

TARGET AND TYPE BOMB		A/C	BOMBS
PRIMARY		123	4755
	E-46		
	M-46	11	11 //////
OSAKA (OPP)	E-46	1	40

95 1/1

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B. JETTISONED: 7 A/C

TYPE BOMBS	NO. BOMBS
E-46	308
M-46	1

(INCLUDES 29 X E-46 JETTISONED BY 3 A/C THAT BOMBED PT)

C. RETURNED: 1 A/C

TYPE BOMBS	NO. BOMBS
E-46	2

SECRET

D. UNACCOUNTED FOR: NIL

6. A/C NOT BOMBING:

A. MECHANICAL: 7

7. AVERAGE BOMBING ALTITUDE:

A. PRIMARY: 7,500 FT

B. OTHERS: 8,200 FT

8. TIME BOMBS AWAY:

SECRET

A. PRIMARY FIRST: 061515Z LAST: 061627Z

B. OTHERS: 061544Z

9. BOMB METHOD:

A. PRIMARY: 114 RADAR, 6 VISUAL, 3 NAVIGATIONAL

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6. A/C NOT BOMBING:

A. MECHANICAL: 7

7. AVERAGE BOMBING ALTITUDE:

A. PRIMARY: 7,500 FT

B. OTHERS: 8,200 FT

8. TIME BOMBS AWAY:

A. PRIMARY FIRST: 061515Z LAST: 061627Z

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B. OTHERS: 061544Z

9. BOMB METHOD:

A. PRIMARY: 114 RADAR, 6 VISUAL, 3 NAVIGATIONAL

B. OTHERS: NAVIGATIONAL

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10. TIME OF RETURN FIRST: 062029Z LAST: 070001Z

11. CLAIMS: NIL

12. CASUALTIES: NIL

13. NO. A/C LOST: NIL

14. A/C DAMAGED: NIL

PART B: NARRATIVE:

1. AIR OPPOSITION: 3 UNIDENTIFIED E/A (WITH WING TIP LIGHTS) OBSERVED. NO ATTACKS.

1. FLAK: LOCATION CALIBER INTENSITY ACCURACY FIRE CONTROL

SECRET

PRIMARY	HEAVY & MEDIUM	MEAGER	INACCURATE	CONT. POINTED
KUSHIMOTO	HEAVY & MEDIUM	MEAGER	INACC.-ACC.	CONT. POINTED
BETWEEN 33/48 N 134/45 E				
AND TOKUSHIMA	HEAVY & MEDIUM	MEAGER	INACCURATE	CONT. POINTED
HIMEJI	HEAVY	MEAGER	INACCURATE	PRED.CONCENTRATION
HIKETA	HEAVY	5 BURSTS	INACCURATE	-----

2. - 3 SEARCHLIGHTS IN TARGET AREA AND 1 SEARCHLIGHT NORTH OF TARGET

RPTIN ABOVE LINE ---- SHOULD READ::

2 - 3 SEARCHLIGHTS IN TARGET AREA AND 1 SEARCHLIGHT NORTH OF TARGET AREA--INEFFECTIVE.

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3. WEATHER: TO FOLLOW.

4. AIR SEA RESCUE: NIL

5. FIGHTER ESCORT: NONE

6. BOMBING RESULTS: (BASED ON CREW INTERROGATION) UNOBSERVED TO EXCELLENT.

7. REMARKS: NONE.

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TOD: 071510Z CB

TOD: 071608Z RT

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SECRET

A FROM : BOMCOM XXI Ø71213Z

TO : COMAF 2Ø

INFO : DEPCOMAF 2Ø (POA) (OP OP)

AIMCR 538Ø

SUBJECT: MISSION SUMMARY FOR MISSION NO. 251, TARGET CHIBA, FLOWN 6 JULY 1945.

1. UNIT: 58TH WING

2. TAKE OFF FIRST Ø6Ø

LAST: Ø611Ø6Z

3. A/C AIRBORNE 129

4. BOMBS AIRBORNE:

SECRET

A. TYPE AND NO.

E-46 2488

M-47 11582

M26 159

B. FUSING: E-46'S FUSED TO OPEN 5,ØØØ FT ABOVE TARGET.

M-47'S INSTANT NOSE.

M-26'S FUSED TO OPEN 1,ØØØ FT BELOW PLANES.

5. BOMB DISPOSITION:

TARGET AND TYPE BOMBS		A/C BOMBS		
PRIMARY	E-46	124	2432 ÷ 5 = 486.4 T	889.02
	M-47		10754 ÷ 29 = 370.82	SECRET
	M-26		159 ÷ 5 31.8	
T/O (UNKNOWN)	M-47	1	184 ÷ 29 6.34	

B. JETTISONED: 4 A/C JETTISONED 575 M-47'S INCLUDING 23 BY 1 A/C ~~ALSO~~ ALSO BOMBING PT, AND 48 E-46'S INCLUDING 8 BY 3 A/C ALSO BOMBING PT.

C. RETURNED: 2 A/C (ALSO BOMBED PT)

TYPE BOBS	NO. BOMBS
M-47	69

SECRET

D. UNACCOUNTED FOR: NIL

6. A/C NOT BOMBING:

A. MECHANICAL: 4

7. AVERAGE BOMB ALTITUDE:

A. PRIMARY: 1Ø,ØØØ FT.

B. OTHERS: (OPP) UNKNOWN

8. TIME BOMBS AWAY:

A. PRIMARY FIRST: Ø616 4ØZ

LAST: Ø619Ø5Z

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D. UNACCOUNTED FOR: NIL

6. A/C NOT BOMBING:

A. MECHANICAL: 4

7. AVERAGE BOMB ALTITUDE:

A. PRIMARY: 10,000 FT.

B. OTHERS: (OPP) UNKNOWN

8. TIME BOMBS AWAY:

A. PRIMARY FIRST: 061640Z

LAST: 061905Z

C. OTHERS: (OPP) UNKNOWN

SECRET

9. BOMB METHOD:

A. PRIMARY: 119 RADAR, 1 VISUAL, 1 NAVIGATIONAL, 3 UNKNOWN.

B. OTHERS: (OPP) UNKNOWN.

10. TIME OF RETURN FIRST: 062242Z

LAST: 070243Z

SECRET

11. CLAIMS: NIL

12 CASUALTIES: NIL

13. A/C LOST: NIL

SECRET

14. A/C DAMAGES: NIL

PART B. NARRATIVE:

1. AIR OPPOSITION: NIL TO WEAK , 2 S/E/F AND 11 UNIFENTIFIED A/C SIGHTED--NOATTACKS.

2. FLAK C// LOCATION CALIBER INTENSTY ACCURACY

PRIMARY HVY, MEDIU M & LIGHT NIL TO MEAGER, INACCURAT

3. WEATHER: TO FOLLOW:

4. AIR SEA RESCUE: NIL

5. FIGHTER ESCORT: NONE

6. BOMBING RESULTS: (BASED ON CREW INTERROGATION) UNOBSERVED.

7. REMARKS: ITEMS 11, 12, AND 14 DO NOT TAKE INTO ACCOUNT 3 A/C STILL AT IWO FOR WHICH REQUISITE INFORMATION NOT AVAILABLE.

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TOD: 07,3YKMYTXT
~~REKX PA~~ ROGER ~~B~~ WCR 1348Z

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Communique #125	"	7-	071600Z		HA

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SUBJECT COMMUNIQUE NO 125

TO COMGENBOMCOM 21

DEPCOMAF 20 POA

FROM COMAF 20

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Missions 251-255

THE FOLLOWING COMMUNIQUE WILL BE RELEASED HERE 071630Z:

" NO LOSSES WERE SUSTAINED AND RESULTS WERE DESCRIBED AS UNOBSERVED TO EXCELLENT BY CREWMEN OF THE VERY LARGE TASK FORCE OF SUPERFORTRESSE FRM XXXRPT FROM MAJOR GENERAL CURIS E. LEMAY'S TWENTIETH AIR FORCE FOLLOWING THE QUINTUPLE INCENDIARY-DEMOLITION STRIKE 6 JULY EWT (7 JULY JAPANESE TIME) AT SHIMOTSU, CHIBA, KOFU, AKASHI, AND SXX SHIMIZU.

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" THE PORT TOWN OF SHIMIZU WAS ABLAZE TO THE ATER RPT WATER FRONT AS THE B-29S RETURNED TO THEIR MARIANAS BASES, WHILE AT KOFU, LARGE FIRES BURNED AND A LONG STREAM OF VEHICLES WAS OBSERVED LEARXXXRPT LEAVING THE CITY. NO ENEMY AI RPT AIR OPPOSITION WAS ENCOUNTERED B Y RPT BY OUR AIRCRAFT. ANTIAIRCRAFT FIRE TO AND FROM THE TARGETS WAS DESCRIBED AS MEAGER AND INACCURATE."

(INFO REES FOR WIPPOLD FROM HIGGINS)

(PRO'S ALL WINGS)

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TOD 071600Z

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ACTION:	C/S	DC/S Opr	DC/S TM&E	DC/S P&A	A-1	A-2	A-3 Tng	A-3 OC&R	A-4	A-5 Plans	Air Insp
	PRO	Comm.	Op Anal	Stat Con	Anti-Acft	FSO	A.G.	Surg			
INFORMATION:	C/S	DC/S Opr	DC/S TM&E	DC/S P&A	A-1	A-2	A-3 Tng	A-3 OC&R	A-4	A-5 Plans	Air Insp
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SUBJECT : PRESS FLASH

TO: COMGENBOMCOM 21 DEPCOMAF 2Ø POA FROM : COMAF 2Ø

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THE FOLLOWING PRESS FLASH WILL BE RELEASED HERE ONE HOUR AFTER RECEIPT OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF FIFTH " BOMBS AWAY ":

" CONTINUING THEIR ATTACK AGAINST JAPAN'S INDUSTRIAL CITIES, A VERY LARGE TASK FORCE OF SUPERFORTRESSES LAUNCHED A FIVE PRONGED ATTACK AGAINST SHIMOTSU, KAXX KOFU, SHIMIZU, AKASHI, AND CHIBA 6 JULY EWT

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~~(RPT THE ABOVE LINE)~~)

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(7 JULY JAPANESE TIME). ALL THE CITIES ARE LOCATED ON HONSHU. THE ATTACK WAS AT NIGHT WITH INCENDIARY AND DEMOLITION BOMBS IT WAS ANNOUNCED AT HEADQUARTERS OF THE TWENTIETH AIR FORCE IN WASHINGTON . THE MISSION WAS STAGED FROM MARIANAS BASES OF MAJOR GENERAL CURTIS E. LEMAY'S XXI BOMBER COMMAND AND DETAILS WILL BE RELEASED AGTER THE BOMBERS HAVE RETURNED. SHIMOTSU, IN THE WAKAYAMA AREA, IS THE SITE OF IMPORTANT REFINERIES AND OIL STORAGE FOR THE JAPANESE NAVY. IT WAS ATTACKED BY B-29S 2 JULY EWT(3 JULY JAPANESE TIME) IN MEDIUM FORCE.

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KOFU, WITH A PPXX RPT POPULATION OF 1Ø2,4ØØ IS LOCATED IN THE HIGH MOUNTAINOUS REGION WHICH SEPARATES TOKYO AND NAGOYA. THE AREA PROVIDE RPT PROVIDES THE COASTAL RIGHT-OF -WAY FOR THE KEY TAXX TOKAIDO RAIL WAY AND HAS WAR INDUSTR RPT INDUSTRY PLANTS OF MAJOR IMPORTANCE.

INFORMATION: A-5 Plans Air Insp PRO Comm. Op Anal Stat Con Anti-Acft FSO A.C. Surg

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TELECON MSG NO. P.-23-11

SUBJECT: Supplement to Photo Interpretation 3PEL 345
See our ALMCR 6048

DATE: 23 July 1945

TO: COMGENUSASTAF GUAM

INFO: COMGENUSASTAF NEAR

FROM: COMGENAAF 20 GUAM

2314242

Mission 252

ALMCR 6087

Kobe Harbor: Harbor 10 percent cloud covered. Naval: 10. Merchant: 20, about 24,400 G. T. operative and 56,000 G. T. inoperative.
NV: 1 CVE, Kobe Type
1 DD, Matsu Class
1 PF, Kaibokan Class
1 SS, 274'
1 SS, 262'
1 SS, 230'
1 SS, 157'
1 SS, 145'
1 SS, 130'
1 APA, Mayazan Maru, 9,525 G. T.
LV: 20 over 200'

Mihara (34/24 N - 133/05 E): Naval: None visible. Merchant: 2; 8,070 G. T.
LV: 1 SBL, Type A, modified, 445'
1 FED, 250'

Osaka Harbor: Harbor 95 percent covered on 24". Five percent clouds on full 6" cover. Naval: 7. Merchant: 40; about 92,000 G. T.
NV: 1 DD, Matsu Class, fitting
2 E, fitting
2 LST, HA Class, one fitting, one building
1 PC, No. 3 Class, in drydock
1 PF, Kaibo Class, Fitting
LV: 20 over 200'; about 42,000 G. T., operative
20 over 200'; about 50,000 G. T., inoperative

Ikeda Wan (34/37 N - 134/13 E): Six inch oblique coverage only. Naval: 1 CV, Ikoma, Unryu Class. Merchant: None visible.

Shido Wan (34/21 N - 134/12 E): Six inch oblique coverage only. Naval: 1 CVE, Kobe Class. Merchant: None visible.

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TO:

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FROM:

Shio Tsu (34/06 N - 135/10 E): Six inch vertical coverage only. Naval: None visible. Merchant: 1, unidentified, 380'; 4,532 G.T.

Lower Eishama (34/41 N - 134/50 E): Six inch vertical coverage only. Naval: None visible. Merchant: 2; 3,445 G. T.
LV: 1 unidentified, 300' about 2,245 G. T.
1 unidentified, 240', about 1,200 G. T.; close to shore.

Damage to Akashi City 90.25 Urban.

XXI BomCom Mission 252, 6-7 July, 73rd Wing.

Built up area: sq. mi. total: 1.73, sq. mi. destroyed .71. Percent destroyed: 41.

Planned target area: 8 sq. mi. Percent destroyed: 89.

Total damage to date: 1.03 sq. mi. percent of built up area: 59

Targets damaged by current strike: 0 numbered, 2 other.

New coverage with good quality photos show the above results to Akashi City. The eastern and northern section of the city received the least amount of damage while the central southern and western sections are almost completely destroyed.

Damage to targets is as follows:

	Percent New Damage	Percent Total Damage
Textile Mill	100	100
Unidentified	5	5

End...
TOD: 231602Z

DIST	ACTION	INFO	C/S - DC/OPRS - DC/S P&A - DC/S TME
	DC/S Opr (2)		A-2 (16); A-3 OCLR (7); A-5 Plans (2); OA; ACO (2); AA; A-2 Col. Div.

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TELECON MSG NO.	SUBJECT	DATE
EN-10-27	PHOTO INTERPRETATION, 3 PRM 330, FLOWN 10 JULY 1945	July 10, 1945

TO:	INFO:	FROM:
COMAF 20	DEPCOMAF 20 FOA	COMGENBOMCOM 21

AIMCR 5534 1020000Z

Target Area: Mito (90.14), Tokyo (90.17), and Shizuoka (90.18).
Mean Time of Photography 092347Z. Altitude: 30,000 ft.
Damage to Shimizu- 90.18 - Urban: From XXI Bom Com Mission 253, 6-7 July 1945 Totals about .668 sq. mi. or about 47 percent of 1.41 sq. mi. Total built-up area as determined from Photographs. Damage from previous raid amounting to .030 sq. mi. brings the total damage to about .70 sq. mi. or about 50 percent of the total built-up area. The entire Urban Area has been destroyed by fire with the exception of small portions in the extreme North and South sections, and a relatively small portion of the Waterside Industrial area has been damaged. Only two humbered Industrial Targets show damage from this raid.

Target 90.18-1178 Shumizu Docks, is divided into two area, North and South of the River Mouth. About 60 percent of the Northern part has been destroyed or about 43 percent of the total target.

Target XXI-6080, Honan Vegetable Oil Plant is approximately 30 percent destroyed.

Target 90.17-2008, Tachikawa Army Air Arsenal: Photot Reconnaissance shows damage to Target 2008 resulting from XXI Bom Com Mission 200, 10 June 1945, to be 1,005,400 sq. ft. or 23.6 percent of the total roof area, 4,232,500 sq. ft.

The damage is distributed through-out the entire plant with a small concentration in in the Eastern Section.

Eighty-eight (88) buildings suffered damage ranging from minor roof damage to destroyed. buildings are as follows' (Building numbers as shown on J.T.G. illustration No. 90.17-2008 P4/1 dated 26 April 1945)

25, 27, 34, 44, 73, 82, 84, 85, 86, 91, 93, 96, 100, 101, 103, 104, 122, 127, 128, 130, 136, 140, 151, 152, 159, 163, 164, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 178, 179, 180, 183, 185, 186, 198, 201, 204, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 215, 218, 219, 220, 222, 223, 226, 228, 230, 232, 262, 264, 266, 268, 271, 273, 288, 306, 308-325, 330, 331, 343, 181.

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INFO:

FROM:

Damage to Chiba-90.14 - Urban' From X I Bom Com Mission 251, 6-7 July 1945. Totals .86 sq. mil. or 43.4 percent of the heavily populated area which covers 1.98 sq. mi. as seen on photos.

Damage is concentrated in the Central Portion of the city with the Southern and North-Western portions left with little or no damage.

END.

TOD:. 102043Z

DIST: ACTION: ~~DC/S Opr~~ INFO: C/S - DC/OPRS - DC/S P&A - DC/S TME

~~A-2 (16); A-3 (OC&R) (7); A-5 Plans (2); OA;~~ Stat Con (2); AA; A-2 Coll Div.

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TELECON MSG NO. FN-11-08

SUBJECT: Correction to Photo Interpretation for 3PRM 330, and Supplement No. 1 to Photo Interpretation for 3PRM 327 and Supplement No. 1 to Photo Interpretation for 3PRM 331 Correction - Flash Report 330

DATE: 11 July 45

TO: COMAF 20

INFO: DEFCOMAF 20 FOA

FROM: COMGENBOMCOM 21

110809Z

AMCR 5569

Target 90.17 - 2008 Tachikawa Army Air Arsenal: Reconnaissance photos show damage or removal, since 18 May 1945, to be about 898,400 sq. ft., or approximately 21.2 percent of the total roof area (4,232,500 sq. ft.), instead of 1,005,400 sq. ft., or 23.6 percent of the total roof area as was listed in CIU flash report 330. Damage resulted from XXI BomCom Mission 200, 10 June 1945. Total damage or removal to date is about 1,486,700 sq. ft., or about 35.1 percent of the total roof area. Several minor buildings, not included in the total sq. ft. of roof area listed in "Building Construction Analysis", were removed previously and are not included in the total damage or removal to date, buildings showing damage and/or removal since 18 May 1945 are listed as follows (building numbers as shown in JTG illustration No. 90.17-2008 M4/1, 26 April 1945):

27 and 44, noted as being partially removed previously, are now seen to be entirely removed - 25, 34, 38, 85, 86, 9, 93, 96, 100, 101, 103, 104, 122, 127, 128, 130, 136, 140, 151, 152, 159, 163, 164, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 178, 179, 180, 181, 183, 185, 186, 190, 201, 204, 206, 208, 209, 210, 211, 251, 218, 219, 220, 222, 223, 226A, 228, 230, 232, 262, 264, 266, 268, 271, 273, 288, 306, 308-325, 330, 331, 343.

Flash Report No. 327 - Supplement No. 1

Mission No: 3PRM 327
Date Flown: 9 July 1945
Mean Time of Photography: 31(Z
Target 90.14-1468 - Mito A/F
A/C Visible: 4 S/E
Not in total: 2 S/E, 2 T/E inoperative
Target 90.14 - 2754 - Hyakurigahara A/F - partial cloud cover
A/C Visible: 105 S/E (minimum)
Not in total: 29 S/E inoperative or dummy A/C, 1 T/E inoperative
Target 90.18 - 2805 - Yazu A/F
A/C Visible: 34, 31 S/E, 3 T/E

54 & 35 -43-: Kufo (90.16)
Altitude: 30,000', 27,000'

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TO:	INFO:	FROM:

Flash Report No. 331 - Supplement No. 1 11 July 1945

Mission No: 3PR5M 331 Target Area: Nagoya (90.20)
Osaka (90.25)

Date Flown: 10 July 1945
Mean Time of Photography: 0957K Altitude: 30,000'
Akashi City (XXI BomCom Mission 252, 6-7 July 1945):
Hazy reconnaissance photos of the city of Akashi show at least .42 sq. mi., or 24 percent of the total built-up area to be destroyed (1.73 sq. mi. as determined from photos). Total damage to date is .75 sq. mi., or 43.5 percent of the total built-up area. Total built-up area includes Target 1547 (.316 sq. mi.) which was previously destroyed to the extent of 64.3 percent (.23 sq. mi.).
Damage is located in one large area in the center of the city, and four smaller areas widely scattered. Hazy photos greatly limited interpretation.

End...
TOD: 110907Z

DIST	ACTION	INFO
	DC/S Opr (2)	C/S - DC/OPRS - DC/S P&A - DC/S TME A-2 (16); A-3 OC&R (7); A-5 Plans (2); OA; SCO (2); AA; A-2 Col. Div.

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TELECON MSG NO.	SUBJECT	DATE
FN-10-23	Photo Interpretation 3 PRM 327 flown 9 July 1945	10 July 1945

TO:	INFO:	FROM:
COMAF 20	DEPCOMAF 20 POA	COMGENBOMCOM 21

AIMCR 5528 101230Z

Mission 254

Target Area: Kofu (90.16) mean time of photography 090117Z. Altitude 27,000 and 30,000 feet.

Kofu (90.16) Urban: Photo reconnaissance shows that damage to Kofu resulting from XXI BomCom mission 254, 6-7 July 1945, is 1.3 sq. mi. or 64 percent of the total built-up area, 2.05 sq. miles. Total built-up area has been determined from photos. The southern section of the city has been almost completely destroyed while the rest of the damage is scattered throughout the northern and eastern sections. 50 percent of the buildings in the K. R. marshalling yard south of the city have been destroyed. 5 percent of the target was cloud covered.

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FIS-07-23	Weather Summary for Missions 251 thru 255 Flown 6 Jul 45	7 July 45

TO:	INFO:	FROM:
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AIMCR 5383

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Bases at take-off: 4 to 6/10 low cloud base, 1,800 Ft. tops, 6,000 Ft with patches of 6/10 middle cloud estimated 14,000 Ft. Visibility Unrestricted.
Route to targets: to 20 Deg. N: 4 to 6/10 low cloud base, 1,000 Ft. tops, 5 to 7,000 Ft. with few tops to 20,000 Ft. and occasional lightning visible. One line of cloud near 17 Deg. N with tops to 25,000 Ft. about 10 miles wide.

To 32 Deg. N: 2 to 4/10 low cloud base, 2,000 tops, 4,000 Ft. GM. To coast: low cloud increasing rapidly to 6 to 8/10 with tops 8 to 11,000 Ft. and half of tops to 17-20,000 Ft. with 8/10 middle cloud at 13,000 Ft. Tops unknown and scattered high cloud.

Target: Chiba: 10/10 low cloud base unknown tops 6-7,000 Ft. 7/10 thin middle cloud at estimated 17,000 Ft. Visibility above cloud unrestricted.

Kofu: 8/10 low cloud with tops 8 to 11,000 Ft and 5/10 middle cloud near 11,000 Ft. tops 13,000 Ft and second layer of middle cloud at 18,000 Ft. Few breaks allowed some visual checks on bombing .

Shimizu: 4 TP 10/10 low cloud tops 7-333,500 Ft with 6/10 thin middle cloud in scattered layers 11 to 20,000 Ft. Visibility 10 miles.

Akashi: 4 TP 8/10 low cloud tops 7,000 Ft. and 8/10 middle cloud in thin, broken layers between 7 and 20,000 Ft.

Nakayama: As Chiba. Route returning: as route to targets except aircraft returned at 20,000 Ft. and encountered icing, moderate turbulence and occasional hail and rain in section just off enemy coast. Bases on return: 2 TP 5/10 low cloud base, 1,800 Ft. tops, 5,000 Ft. with scattered upper cloud. Visibility unrestricted.

END
TOD 071528Z

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KOFU - This area is part of the high mountainous region which separates Tokyo and Nagoya. Provides coastal right-of-way for the key Tokaido Railway and includes war industry plants of major importance. Population: 102,419.

SHIMIZU - Deep water port and industrial center. The Japanese light metals Alumina plant. One of the largest in Japan has an estimated capacity of around 100,000 metric tons or 25% of the total capacity under Japanese control. Other plants include the Koito engineering works which produces small electrical equipment for aircraft; the Ito Iron Works reported to produce Diesel engines; the Nippon Denchi, large manufacturer of batteries - reputed to have added to the plant capacity; the Marukuni - manufacturing engine tools. Marine repair work and some shipbuilding done by 3 firms. Population: 68,617

AKASHI - West of Kobe is a new industrial area which includes the main engine works of the Kawasaki Aircraft Company. The Akashi plant reported to be Kawasaki's main engine works - which put out commission during the early part of the war, was later repaired, hit again on 22 June at which time 24% damage was inflicted.

CHIBA - Extension of the Tokyo area. Most important plant Hitachi A/C Co, which was struck on 10 June with no damage inflicted.

MARUZEN OIL REFINERY - SHIMOTSU, OSAKA - Important refineries & oil storage for Jap Navy. Combined crude, capacity 4600 bbls per day. Iso-octane, capacity 25 bbls per day. Storage capacity unknown but at least 15 large tanks. Products - aviation gasoline, lube oil, gasoline & fuel oil.