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f) Mission	Bomb ar	nd stra	fe					(a) Time	of Return	(GCT
			ALLY COVER	ED BY THIS	S REPORT.					
(a) TYPE	(b) SQUADRON	NO. OF SORTIES		NO. ATTACK- ING TARGET		OMBS A	(f) AND TORPEDOE: O (PER PLANE)	S	(g FUZE, SI	
F4U-1	VMO-25		None	14			. bomb.		1/10 sec	ond.
FG-1A	VMO-251	L 2	"	2	1x1000) lb	.bomb.		17	
	The second secon	OR ALLIED	AIRCRAFT I	MPLOYED	IN THIS	OPERA	TION.			
TYPE	SQUADRON	NUMBER	Come	BASE		YPE	SQUADRON	NUMBER	BA:	SE
F4U-1 SBD	VMF-221 VMSB-21		Same a	s VMO-2	21					
IV. EN		AFT ENCO	OUNTERED (E	1			(#)		(g)
TYPE	OBSERVED	OWN A/C	S TIME ENCOUNTERED	LOCAT	e) ION OF UNTER	8	BOMBS, TORPEL GUNS OF	SERVED	D; CAMO	UFLAGE AND ARKING
None.			(GCT)							
			(GCT)							
			(GCT)							
			(GCT)							
L) Appara	nt Engany Mi	insiam(s)								
1) Appare	nt Enemy Mi	ission (s)								
) Weathe	er and Clouds	at Location	n of Encounter	(5)						
		(j) Su	un or Moon					_ (k) Visi	bility	
V. ENE	MY AIRCRA	FT DESTR	OYED OR DAM	AAGED IN	AIR (By Ov	n Aire	craft Listed	in II Only).	
TYPE ENEMY A/C	(b) DESTROY	YED OR DAMA		OR GUNNER		guns u	SED	WHERE	(c) HIT, ANGLE	DAMAGE CLAIMED
None.		30,000	1,601			00113	340			Commo
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VI	LOSS OR DAMAGE.	COMBAT OR	OPERATIONAL	OF OWN	AIRCRAFT	(of those	listed in	II only).
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TYPE OWN A/C	(b) SQUADRON	CAUSE: TYPE ENEMY A/C TYPE GUN, OR OPERATIONAL CAUSE	(d) WHERE HIT, ANGLE	EXTENT OF LOSS OR DAMAGE, REMARKS
1 F4U-	VMO-251	Operational	No	Pilot landed with tail
2				wheel retracted caus-
3				ing only slight damage
4				to bottom of fuselage.
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12				
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VII. PERSONNEL CASUALTIES (in aircraft listed in II only; identify with planes listed in VI by Nos. at left).

(a) NO.	(b) SQUADRON	NAME, RANK OR RATING	(d) CAUSE	(e) CONDITION OR STATUS
	None.			

VIII. RANGE, FUEL, AND AMMUNITION DATA

(a) TYPE	MILES OUT	(c)	AV. HOURS	AV. FUEL AV. FUEL		(g) TOTAL	AMMUNITIO	ON EXPENDED,	PLANES RETURNI	NG
A/C	OUT	MILES RETURN	IN AIR	AV. FUEL LOADED	AV. FUEL CONSUMED	NO. OF PLANES	.30	50	20MM	MM
F4U-1	215	215	3.0	344	240	16		12,000		
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IX. COMPARATIVE PERFORMANCE, OWN AND ENEMY AIRCRAFT (use check list at left).

(OMIT THIS SHEET IF NO ATTACK WAS MADE)

(a) Location of Target(s) SIMPSON HARBOR, NEW BRITTAN (b) Time Over Target(s)0925 L 301

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

(d) Sun or Moon		(e) Visibilit	ty Unlimi	ted.
XI. TARGETS, RESULTS OF ATTACK. DESCRIPTION OF TARGET (List All Ships in Group, Whether or Not Individually Attacked)	(b) A/C ATTACKING (c) SQUADRON	(d) BOMBS AND AMMUNITION EXPENDED, EACH TARGET	ALTITUDE OF RELEASE	(f) HITS
MAA SUGAR, (Gun positions on west side of SIMPSON HARBOR).	8 VMO-251	4,000 rounds 50 Cs 8x1000 lb. bombs	2,500	
² Barges along western shore of SIMPSON HARBOR.	8 VMO-251	8,000 rounds 50 Ca	1.	Fired 2 Riddled
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7				
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TARGET #1. No damage seen from bombing.

TARGET #2. JENNINGS and BARTON caused two barges near TOBOI WHARF to burst into flame. HART's division riddled three other barges in vicinity of the MARINE RAILWAY. JENNINGS also started a fire among some buildings on KABAKON ISLAND, DUKE OF YORK.

AA STRE ENCOUNTERED: Pilots saw moderate amount of inaccurate light AA striking the water during their retirement. May have come either from MATUPI ISLAND or RALUANA POINT.

⁽g) RESULTS: (FOR SHIP TARGETS DRAW DIAGRAM, TOP OR SIDE VIEW OR BOTH, AS APPROPRIATE, SHOWING TYPE AND LOCATION OF HITS. FOR ALL TARGETS GIVE LOCATION AND EFFECT OF HITS, WITH DIAGRAMS OR CHARTS WHERE DESIRABLE. DESCRIBE TARGETS FULLY IN (a), AND IN REPORTING DAMAGE OR DESTRUCTION, IDENTIFY BY NUMBERS AT LEFT. USE ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY).

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.)

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

RECOMMENTS AND

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

OWN TACTICS

Method of Locating Target
Approach to Target
Altitudes, Speeds
Approach
Dive
Release
Pull-Out
Dive Angle
Strafing
Retirement
Defensive Tactics

DEFENSE, ENEMY

Evasive Tactics, Ships Concealment Anti-aircraft Searchlights Night Fighter Tactics

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

This attack was the second in two days against anti-aircraft guns and barges on the western side of SIMPSON HARBOR, RABAUL AREA. Once again the SBD's of VMSB-236 went in on AA positions to the NW and W of the harbor and sixteen fighter bombers divided equally between VMO-251 and VMF-223 hit the positions farther south but also on the western side of the harbor. Then sixteen more fighters, also equally divided among the two fighter squadrons already mentioned, strafed barges and other targets along the western shore.

The attack plan called for the first two fighter bombers of VMO-251 to hit the 2 Auto AA guns located on SE side of VULCAN CRATER, which they did, with unobserved results; the next four planes to hit the sispected AA positions just to the north of the VULCAN BARGE The first two of these four planes had one dud and one bomb which hung and later fell off the plane during retirement. The second two were prevented from making their attack by several SBD's which appeared beneath them at the moment they were about to release. So these two quit their dive and released on MG positions south of VULCAN CRATER, obtained area hits but could not see any damage. The last two planes of the eight fighter bombers of this squadron dropped on the one auto north of VULCAN They pushed over at 12,000 ft. and went into an 850 dive with dive brakes, attaining a speed of 340 knots indicated, one released at 4500-5000 ft. because his windshield was covered with oil and he couldn't see; the other released at 3,000, for two area hits.

The bombing tactics employed by the four planes which did seccessfully attack their assigned targets consisted of a pushover at 12,000 ft., 75 degree angle of dive, 340knots indicated air speed, with dive brakes, and a release at approximately 2500 feet with 90 mils lead.

The eight strafing planes of our squadron expended 8,000 rounds on barges and wharfs along the shore. They followed the bombers in by afew seconds, but all complained that the flight leader pushed over at too high an altitude(12,000 Ft), thus giving them too much speed (400 knots) for a good strafing run. Retirement was made at low level over BLANCHE BAY between MATUPI ISLAND and RALUANA POINT.

XIII. MATERIAL DATA. (Comment freely on performance or suitability, following check list at left. Use additional sheets if necessary).

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Guns, Gunsights Turrets Ammunition Bombs, Torpedoes Bomb Sights Bomb Releases

None.

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

MISSION LOG

Parachutes	PLANE NO.	PILOT REMARKS
Life Belts, Life Rafts Safety Belts Emergency Kits Rations, First Aid	036 942	TELLER Unobserved MOYNIHAN "
NAVIGATIONAL EQUIPMENT Compasses Driftsights Octants	065 221	TANNER Dud ROBINSON Hung and jettisoned
Automatic Pilots Charts Field Lighting	691 387	SMITH Area hit. NEILSON "
INSTRUMENTS Flight Power Plant	032 044	MAC LACHLAN "ROSELLEN "
OXYGEN SYSTEM	265	HART All eight of these planes strafed.
DECEPTION DEVICES	119 724	ERDMANN FLICKINGER
STRUCTURE Airframe Control Surfaces	394	CRUTCHER
Control System Dive Flaps Landing Gear	305 353	JENNINGS BARTON
Heating System Flight Characteristics At Various Loadings	413 739	FOLEY FRANK

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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I. GENERAL

a) Unit Re	porting V	MO-251	(Ь)	Based on or	PIVA N at BOUGAI		(c)	Report No	5
							at 4025'S		
f) Mission	Bom	b and s	trafe				(g) Time of F	Return 1050	L (G&X
II. OW	N AIRCRAI	T OFFICIA	LLY COVER	ED BY THIS	REPORT.				
(a) TYPE	(b) SQUADRON	NO. OF SORTIES	NO ENGAGING ENEMY A/C	NO ATTACK-	BOMBS CARR	(f) AND TORPEDOR	S	(g) FUZE, SET	TING F
F4U-1	VMO-25		None				cluster	No fuse	
FG-14	VMO-25	3	"	3		"		"	
III. OT	HER U. S. (OR ALLIED	AIRCRAFT I	EMPLOYED	IN THIS OPE	RATION.	-	A CALL STREET	
TYPE	SQUADRON	NUMBER		BASE	TYPE	SQUADRON	NUMBER	BASE	
F4U-1	VMF-22	3 16	Same as	VMO-251	L				
IV FN	EMY AIRCE	AFT FNCO	UNTERED (I	By Own Airce	raft Listed in I	I Only)			
(a) TYPE	(b) NO OBSERVED	NO ENGAGING OWN A/C		LOCATIO			DOES CARRIED; BSERVED	CAMOUFI MAR	g) LAGE AND KING
None.			(GCT)						
			(GCT)				4		
			(GCT)						
	nt Enemy M r and Clouds	at Location	of Encounter	·(s)			(k) Visibilit	у	
V. ENE	MY AIRCRA	FT DESTRO	YED OR DAN	MAGED IN A	IR (By Own A	ircraft Listed	in II Only).		
(a) TYPE ENEMY A/C	(b) DESTRO	YED OR DAMAG		OR GUNNER	GUNS	USED	(c) WHERE HIT,	ANGLE	DAMAGE CLAIMED
None.		SQU'ISINOT!		OK COMMEN	30,13	03.0			
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VI. LOSS OR DAMAGE, COMBAT OR OPERATIONAL, OF OWN AIRCRAFT (of those listed in II only).

(a) TYPE OWN A/C	(b) SQUADRON	CAUSE: TYPE ENEMY A/C, TYPE GUN, OR OPERATIONAL CAUSE	(d) WHERE HIT, ANGLE	EXTENT OF LOSS OR DAMAGE, REMARKS
1 F4U-1	VM0-251	Operational		Surveyed one elevator
2		-		when it struck side of
3				revetment at GREEN
4				ISLAND. The elevator
5				was replaced and the
6				plane flown back to
7				base by the pilot, ENDER
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1				
2				
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14				

VII. PERSONNEL CASUALTIES (in aircraft listed in II only; identify with planes listed in VI by Nos. at left).

(a) NO.	(b) SQUADRON	NAME, RANK OR RATING	(d) CAUSE	(e) CONDITION OR STATUS
	None.			
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VIII. RANGE, FUEL, AND AMMUNITION DATA

TYPE A/C	MILES OUT	(c)	AV. HOURS	(e)	(f)	(g) TOTAL	AMMUNITIO	N EXPENDED,	PLANES RETURN	VING
	OUT	RETURN	IN AIR	AV. FUEL LOADED	CONSUMED	NO. OF PLANES	.30	50	20MM	MM
F4U-1	123	215	2.8	344	175	16		2,600		
								-		

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

SPEED, CLIMB, at various altitudes

TURNS

DIVES

CEILINGS

RANGE

PROTECTION

ARMAMENT

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(OMIT THIS SHEET IF NO ATTACK WAS MADE)

X. ATTACK ON ENEMY SHIPS OR GROUND OBJECTIVES (By Own Aircraft Listed in !! Only),

(a) Location of Target(s) TALILI BAY, R	RABAUL, NEW E	BRITIAN (b) Time Over	Target(s)_	1025 L XX
(c) Weather and Clouds Over TargetCAVU.				
(d) Sun or Moon		(e) Visibili	ty_Unlin	mited.
XI. TARGETS, RESULTS OF ATTACK.				
DESCRIPTION OF TARGET (List All Ships in Group, Whether or Not Individually Attacked)	(b) A/C ATTACKING (c) SQUADRON	(d) BOMBS AND AMMUNITION EXPENDED, EACH TARGET	ALTITUDE OF RELEASE	(f) HITS
RATAVAL 124: Buildings and supply area inland from TALILI BAY.	13 VMO-251	13x500 lb.Mag. 2,600 rds. 50 Cal	2500	13 in Area
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All bombs of the thirteen planes which reached the target were seen to fall within the target area. After the attack, many small fires were seen, including one that put up a 1500 foot column of brownish gray smoke. One fire was also started at a point in the coccanut plantation about 3/4 mile to the south of the target. The target consisted of an area about 1/4 mile square which is reported to contain many buildings and huts, and is located between RABAUL TOWN and TALTLI BAY, south of the TUNNEL HILL ROAD.

No results seen from strafing.

⁽g) RESULTS: (FOR SHIP TARGETS DRAW DIAGRAM, TOP OR SIDE VIEW OR BOTH, AS APPROPRIATE, SHOWING TYPE AND LOCATION OF HITS. FOR ALL TARGETS GIVE LOCATION AND EFFECT OF HITS, WITH DIAGRAMS OR CHARTS WHERE DESIRABLE. DESCRIBE TARGETS FULLY IN (a), AND IN REPORTING DAMAGE OR DESTRUCTION, IDENTIFY BY NUMBERS AT LEFT. USE ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY).

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.)

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
Release
Pull-Out
Dive Angle
Strafing
Retirement

Defensive Tactics DEFENSE, ENEMY

Evasive Tactics, Ships Concealment Anti-aircraft Searchlights Night Fighter Tactics

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

This attack was staged through GREEN ISLAND for the purpose of picking up 500 lb. magnesium cluster bombs. The flight took offfrom BOUGAINVILLE at 0700, landed at GREEN at 0750, loaded and took off for the target at 0930. Approach to target was made from the west over TALILI BAY at 12,000 feet. Pushover was at 11,500 feet, in a 70 to 80 degree dive with dive brakes, attaining an indicated air speed of 320 to 350 knots. The planes did not dive on a particular building, but rather on the area, so no sight leadwas used. All bombs hit in the target area. Strafing was begun at 5,000 feet in the dive, and continued through the pull out.

Three planes did not reach the target for the following reasons: One did not take off from GREEN ISLAND because of an elevator damaged slightly while taxiing; another did not take off because of starting trouble, and FOWLER returned to GREEN after takeoff because of engine trouble.

XIII. MATERIAL DATA. (Comment freely on performance or suitability, following check list at left. Use additional sheets if necessary).

No comment.

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

MISSION LOG

Leak Proofing	TOT AND ME	DITOM	DENTADEO	
EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT	PLANE NO.	PILOT	REMARKS	
Parachutes Life Belts, Life Rafts Safety Belts Emergency Kits Rations, First Aid	036 942 221	BACHELER PIRAGES SPINDLER	Hit inarea.	
NAVIGATIONAL EQUIPMENT Compasses	157	JOHNSON, H.	"	
Driftsights Octants	387	JOLINK	Hit in area.	
Automatic Pilots	912	ENDERS	Did not get off from GREE	IN.
Charts Field Lighting	119	BOWERS	Hit in area.	
INSTRUMENTS	305	CORMAN	"	
Flight Power Plant				
OXYGEN SYSTEM	065	TELLER	Hit in area	
	413	MOYNIHAN	"	
CAMOUFLAGE AND DECEPTION DEVICES	739	ROBINSON	Direct hit.	
STRUCTURE	724	TANNER	Hit in area.	
Airframe				
Control Surfaces	099	FOWLER	Did not get off from GREE	EN.
Control System Dive Flaps	691	MC CABE	" " "	
Landing Gear	394	SWICK	Hit in area.	
Heating System Flight Characteristics	353	MASHETER	"	

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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CHELER, Major,

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I. GENERAL

eportina	VM0-251	(b)	Based on o				(c) Report No.	6
					DEATIN		(g) Time o	t Keturn 1122	TT (PRO-1)
(b)	1				OMBS A	(f)		(g)	
SQUADRON	SORTIES	ENEMY A/C	ING TARGET		CARRIE	(PER PLANE)		FUZE, SET	TING
VMO-25	1 13	None.	13	1x1000) lb			1/10 sec	
11	3	"	3	"				"	
HER U. S.	OR ALLIED	AIRCRAFT E	MPLOYED	IN THIS (OPERA	TION.			
SQUADRON	NUMBER		BASE	1		SQUADRON	NUMBER	BASE	
VMF-22	3 16	Same as	VMO-25	1					
EMY AIRCE	RAFT ENCO	UNTERED (B)	y Own Aire	raft Listed	in II	Only).			
(b) NO OBSERVED	NO ENGAGING OWN A/C	TIME ENCOUNTERED	LOCAT ENCOL	LOCATION OF BOMBS, TORPEDOES CARRIED GUNS OBSERVED		OES CARRIED; SERVED	CAMOUFLAGE AN		
		(GCT)						•	
		(GCT)							
		(GCT)							
	s at Location		(s)				_ (k) Visibi	lity	
			AGED IN	AIR (By Ov	n Air	craft Listed			(d)
TYPE A/C	SQUADRON		OR GUNNER		guns u	SED			DAMAGE CLAIMED
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	FACTION 28 BOMB TO AIRCRAI SQUADRON VMO-25 II FHER U. S. SQUADRON VMF-22 IEMY AIRCRAI OBSERVED STATEMY AIRCRAI OBSERVED	FACTION 28 August Bomb Truck Par No AIRCRAFT OFFICIA (b) SQUADRON NO OF SORTIES VMO-251 13 " 3 THER U. S. OR ALLIED SQUADRON NUMBER VMF-223 16 REMY AIRCRAFT ENCO (b) NO ENGAGING OWN A/C PART AIRCRAFT DESTRON (j) SUR EMY AIRCRAFT DESTRON (b) DESTROYED OR DAMAG TYPE A/C SQUADRON	Action 28 August, 1944 (e) Bomb Truck Park and gu N AIRCRAFT OFFICIALLY COVERE SQUADRON NO FORTIES NO ENGAGING (GCT) (GCT) ENT Enemy Mission(s) Per and Clouds at Location of Encounter (GCT) (GCT) ENTY AIRCRAFT DESTROYED OR DAM (b) DESTROYED OR DAMAGED BY: TYPE A/C SQUADRON PILOT OF ENCOUNTERED OR DAMAGED BY: TYPE A/C SQUADRON PILOT OF ENCOUNTERED OR DAMAGED BY: TYPE A/C SQUADRON PILOT OR ENCOUNTERED OR DAMAGED BY: TYPE A/C SQUADRON PILOT OR ENCOUNTERED OR DAMAGED BY: TYPE A/C SQUADRON PILOT OR ENCOUNTERED OR DAMAGED BY: TYPE A/C SQUADRON PILOT OR ENCOUNTERED OR DAMAGED BY: TYPE A/C SQUADRON PILOT OR ENCOUNTERED OR DAMAGED BY: TYPE A/C SQUADRON PILOT OR ENCOUNTERED OR DAMAGED BY: TYPE A/C SQUADRON PILOT OR ENCOUNTERED OR DAMAGED BY: TYPE A/C SQUADRON PILOT OR ENCOUNTERED OR DAMAGED BY: TYPE A/C SQUADRON PILOT OR ENCOUNTERED OR DAMAGED BY: TYPE A/C SQUADRON PILOT OR ENCOUNTERED OR ENCOU	Action 28 August, 1944 (e) Take off: Bomb Truck Park and guns, CA NAIRCRAFT OFFICIALLY COVERED BY THIS SQUADRON NO SORTIES NO ENGAGING NO ATTACK- ING TARGET VMO-251 13 None. 13 " 3 " 3 " 3 " 3 THER U. S. OR ALLIED AIRCRAFT EMPLOYED SQUADRON NUMBER BASE VMF-223 16 Same as VMO-25 IEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERED (By Own Airc OBSERVED NO ENCAGING OWN A/C (GCT) (GCT) (GCT) OR OF THE ENCOUNTERED (GCT) OR OF THE ENCOUNTERED (GCT) (GCT) (GCT) OR OF THE ENCOUNTERED (GCT) (GCT) (GCT) (GCT) (GCT) OR OF THE ENCOUNTERED (GCT) (GCT	### Action 28 August, 1944 (e) Take off: Time 091. ### Action 28 August, 1944 (e) Take off: Time 091. ### Bomb Truck Park and guns, CAPE LIGHT ### AIRCRAFT OFFICIALLY COVERED BY THIS REPORT. SQUADRON	(GCT) (b) Based on or at BOUGAIN (b) Based on or at BOUGAIN (c) Take off: Time 0915 L (d) Take off: Time 0915 L (d) Take off: Time 0915 L (e) Take off: Time 0915 L (f) Take off: Time 0915 L (h) Bomb Truck Park and guns, CAPE LIGUAN (N AIRCRAFT OFFICIALLY COVERED BY THIS REPORT. (b) SOUADRON NO ENGAGING NO ATTACK. (c) SOUADRON NO ENGAGING NO ATTACK. (d) Take off: Time 0915 L (d) Take	FACTION 28 August, 1944 (e) Take off: Time 0915 L (GCF); L. Bomb Truck Park and guns, CAPE LIGUAN IN AIRCRAFT OFFICIALLY COVERED BY THIS REPORT. SOUADRON	THER U. S. OR ALLIED AIRCRAFT EMPLOYED IN THIS OPERATION. SQUADRON NUMBER SQUADRON NUMBER	Comparison Com

VI. LOSS OR DAMAGE, COMBAT OR OPERATIONAL, OF OWN AIRCRAFT (of those listed in II only).

(a) TYPE OWN A/C	(b) SQUADRON	CAUSE: TYPE ENEMY A/C, TYPE GUN, OR OPERATIONAL CAUSE	(d) WHERE HIT, ANGLE	EXTENT OF LOSS OR DAMAGE REMARKS
None.				
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VII. PERSONNEL CASUALTIES (in aircraft listed in II only; identify with planes listed in VI by Nos. at left).

O. SQUADRON	NAME, RANK OR RATING	(d) CAUSE	CONDITION OR STATUS
None.			

VIII. RANGE, FUEL, AND AMMUNITION DATA

(a) TYPE	MILES OUT	MILES RETURN	AV. HOURS	(e)	AV EUE	(g) TOTAL	OITINUMMA	N EXPENDED, F	LANES RETURNI	NG
A/C	OUT RETU	RETURN	IN AIR	AV. FUEL LOADED	AV. FUEL CONSUMED	NO. OF PLANES	.30	.50	20MM	MM
F4U-1	215	215	2.8	344	225	4		5600		

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

SPEED, CLIMB, at various altitudes

TURNS

DIVES

CEILINGS

RANGE

PROTECTION

ARMAMENT

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(b) Time Over Target(s)1035 L GGT

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

XI. TARGETS, RESULTS OF ATTACK.	(e) Visibil	ity <mark>Unlimi</mark>	ted	
DESCRIPTION OF TARGET (List All Ships in Group, Whether or Not Individually Attacked)	(b) A/C ATTACKING (c) SQUADRON	(d) BOMBS AND AMMUNITION EXPENDED, EACH TARGET	ALTITUDE OF RELEASE	(f) HITS
Truck Park and storage bldgs east of CAPE LIGUAN	. 12 VMO-251	9x1000 lb.	2-300	A Direct I Area. I Damagin
² AA gun position just west of Truck Park		3x1000 lb. 5600 rds. 50 Cal	1500 1500	3 Damagin
3 Huts on WATOM ISLAND	1 VMO-251	1x1000 lb.	1500	1 Damagin
4 TAWII POINT	1 VMO-251	lx1000 lb.	1500	Miss.
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TARGET # 1: Destroyed an unknown number of buildings. One division leader reported that the entiretarget, when he looked back, appeared to have been completely obliterated.

TARGET # 2: Though no actual damage could be seen by pilots in the splitsecond retirement, they did see three bombs explode right in the target.

TARGETS # 3 & 4: These two pilots had "cock-pittrouble", did not have their master gun switch on, did not release in the attack. They then selected other targets.

⁽g) RESULTS: (FOR SHIP TARGETS DRAW DIAGRAM, TOP OR SIDE VIEW OR BOTH, AS APPROPRIATE, SHOWING TYPE AND LOCATION OF HITS. FOR ALL TARGETS GIVE LOCATION AND EFFECT OF HITS, WITH DIAGRAMS OR CHARTS WHERE DESIRABLE. DESCRIBE TARGETS FULLY IN (a), AND IN REPORTING DAMAGE OR DESTRUCTION, IDENTIFY BY NUMBERS AT LEFT. USE ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY).

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.)

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 Release Pull-Out Dive Angle Strafing Retirement

Defensive Tactics DEFENSE, ENEMY

Evasive Tactics, Ships Concealment Anti-aircraft Searchlights Night Fighter Tactics

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

PUSHOVER: 8-10,000 feet.

ANGLE OF DIVE: 60-75 degrees.

DIVE BRAKES: Yes.

SPEED IN DIVE: 300-320 knots.

RELEASE: 2-3000 feet.

SIGHT LEAD: Varied from 50-100 mils.

Pilots stated that this was one of the most successful missions they have undertaken in some time, largely because of the weather being so good and the target was easy to locate.

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

MISSION LOG

RECOGNITION	PLANE NO.	PILOT	REMARKS
Signals Battle Lights Procedures PROTECTION Armor; Points and Angles of Fire Needing Further Protection Leak Proofing	036	TELLER	Damaging hit
	942	MOYNTHAN	Direct hit
	221	ROBINSON	Damaging hit
	691	TANNER	Miss
EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT Parachutes Life Belts, Life Rafts Safety Belts Emergency Kits Rations, First Aid	387 912 065 032	SMITH NEILSON ROSELLEN MAC LACHLAN	Direct hit
NAVIGATIONAL EQUIPMENT Compasses Driftsights Octants Automatic Pilots Charts Field Lighting	265 119 394 724	HART ERDMANN FLICKINGER CRUTCHER	Dud Damaging hit
INSTRUMENTS Flight Power Plant	305	JENNINGS	Hit in area
	739	BARTON	Hung on and fell off in water.
OXYGEN SYSTEM	353 ·	FOLEY	Miss
	413	FRANK	Damaging hit.

STRUCTURE

DECEPTION DEVICES

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

WELCH, 2ndLt.

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28 August, 1944.

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I. GENERAL

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(a)	(b)		LLY COVER		KEPU		(f) ND TORPEDO (PER PLANI)FS		(g)	
TYPE	SQUADRON	NO. OF SORTIES	NO. ENGAGING ENEMY A/C	ING TARGET		CARRIED	(PER PLAN		F	UZE, SETTI	NG
F4U-1	VMO-25	1 12	None	12	1x	500 lb.			Inst		
FG-1A	"	3	17	3	1x	500 lb.			11		
	16 A,	C were	ordered	, but o	ne d	id not	take	off(See	Para.	X111)
TYPE	HER U. S. (OR ALLIED	AIRCRAFT	BASE	IN TH	IS OPERA	TION.	NUMBER		BASE	
F4U-1	VMF-22		Same as		1	TIPE	SQUADRON	NOMBER		DAGE	
SBD-5	VMSB-2			11							
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V. ENE		YED OR DAMAG	OYED OR DAI	MAGED IN	AIR (B	Own Airc	raft Liste				(4)
ENEMY A/C	TYPE A/C	SQUADRON		OR GUNNER		GUNS US	ED		(c) HIT, ANGLE		DAMAGE CLAIMED
None			,								
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VI. LOSS OR DAMAGE, COMBAT OR OPERATIONAL, OF OWN AIRCRAFT (of those listed in II only).

(a) TYPE OWN A/C	(b) SQUADRON	CAUSE: TYPE ENEMY A/C TYPE GUN, OR OPERATIONAL CAUSE	(d) WHERE HIT, ANGLE	EXTENT OF LOSS OR DAMAGE, REMARKS
1 F4U-1	VM0-251	Cause not known	Atop the green	Slight. Knocked a 4"
2		positively, could	house over pilot's	shole in the hood,
3		have been a 50 Cal.		necessitating a hood
4		richochet, AA fire		change.
5		or fragment from		
6		a friendly bomb.		
7				
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12				
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VII. PERSONNEL CASUALTIES (in aircraft listed in II only; identify with planes listed in VI by Nos. at left).

(a) NO.	(b) SQUADRON	NAME, RANK OR RATING	(d) CAUSE	(e) CONDITION OR STATUS
1	VMO-251	SWICK, Orville, lstLt	. See Para Vl	of the face, above and below the right eye.
				Not seriously hurt.

VIII. RANGE, FUEL, AND AMMUNITION DATA

(a) TYPE	(b) (c)	AV. HOURS	(e)	AV EUE	. (g) TOTAL AMMUNITION EXPENDED, PLANES RETURNING					
A/C	OUT	MILES RETURN	IN AIR	AV. FUEL LOADED	AV. FUEL CONSUMED	NO. OF PLANES	.30	.50	20MM	MM
F4U-1	215	215	3.0	344	230	14		9,600		

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

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TURNS

DIVES

CEILINGS

RANGE

PROTECTION

ARMAMENT

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Y	ATTACK	ON	ENEMY	CHIPC (OP CPOUND	ORIECTIVES	(Bu Own	Aircraft	Listed in II Only	1,
Λ.	ATTACK	NO	ENEMI	Julia (OK GROUND	OBJECTIAES	By Own	Aircraft	Listed in II Only	1).

TORIU RIVER and PONDO PLANTATION,

(a)	Location of Target(s) OPEN BAY, NEW 1	BRITAIN	(b) Time Over	Target(s)LC	10 L CC
2 Called Target #2. Jap bivouac 4 4x500 lb. on PONDO PLANTATION. VMO-251 2300 rds. 50 Cal. 2000 4 in area 3 Designated Target #5. Jap 8 8x500 lb.					
(d)	Sun or Moon		(e) Visibili	y Unlimi	ted.
	XI. TARGETS, RESULTS OF ATTACK.				
	DESCRIPTION OF TARGET (List All Ships in Group, Whether or Not Individually Attacked)			ALTITUDE OF	
1	Called Target #1. Jap bivous	VMO-251		2000	4 in area
2	Called Target #2. Jap bivous	c 4	4x500 lb.		4 in area.
3	Designated Target #5. Jap	8	8x500 lb.		8 in area.
4			4000 rds. 50 Cal.		Unknown.
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6					
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(g) RESULTS: (FOR SHIP TARGETS DRAW DIAGRAM, TOP OR SIDE VIEW OR BOTH, AS APPROPRIATE, SHOWING TYPE AND LOCATION OF HITS. FOR ALL TARGETS GIVE LOCATION AND EFFECT OF HITS, WITH DIAGRAMS OR CHARTS WHERE DESIRABLE. DESCRIBE TARGETS FULLY IN (a), AND IN REPORTING DAMAGE OR DESTRUCTION, IDENTIFY BY NUMBERS AT LEFT. USE ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY).

Results of bombing totally obscured by jungle. Good coverage was had of the assigned target, with 15 out of 15 bombs placed within the assigned targets.

The targets consisted simply of a designated piece of jungle where it is reported there are Japs encamped. The pilots did locate and thoroughly strafe several huts on the TORIU RIVER, approximately 2 miles up from the river's mouth.

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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.)

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

OWN TACTICS

Method of Locating Target
Approach to Target
Altitudes, Speeds
Approach
Dive
Release
Pull-Out
Dive Angle
Strafing
Retirement
Defensive Tactics

DEFENSE, ENEMY

Evasive Tactics, Ships Concealment Anti-aircraft Searchlights Night Fighter Tactics

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

The usual dive bombing tactics were employed; Pushover at 9000 feet; angle of dive 65-70 degrees; dive brakes used; speed 300 knots indicated; release at 2000 feet with 75 to 100 mils lead.

No AA fire was seen by any pilot.

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 plane did not go on this mission because the engine quit on takeoff, just after the plane became airborne. The pilot succeeded in landing the plane safely with only damage to tires.

Another pilot on a hop in this same plane later in the day reported that the throttle would fly back to "idle" position as soon as he took his hand off it. This may have been what happened on the takeoff described above.

MISSION LOG

PLANE NO.	PILOT	REMARKS
036 942 221 157	BACHELER PIRAGES SPINDLER JOHNSON, H.	Hit in area.
119 724 17 265	JENNINGS BARTON FOLEY FRANK	Hit in area. Did not takeoff. Hit in area.
895 387 912 032	JOLINK ENDERS BOWERS CORMAN	Hit in area.
065 717 691 739	FOWLER MC CABE JOHNSON, A. SWICK	Hit in area.

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I. GENERAL

	(a) TYPE	(b) SQUADRON	T	LLY COVERE (d) NO. ENGAGING ENEMY A/C	(e) NO. ATTACK- ING TARGET	THE RESERVE OF THE PARTY OF THE	OMBS AN	(f) ND TORPEDOES (PER PLANE)		FUZ	(g) ZE, SETTING	;
1	F4U-			None	4	1x500				1/100	sec.	dela
	4U-1 F4U-		4		4	2,000	rds	. 50 Ca	11.			
	FG-1	TO COMPANY OF THE PARK OF THE	4	"	4	1x500	lb.	bomb		Inst.	fuse	
	-		T	AIRCRAFT E		The state of the s		-				
	one	SQUADRON	NUMBER		BASE	T	YPE	SQUADRON	NUMBER		BASE	
	D/ FNF	LAY AIRC										
	IV. ENE	(b)	1	UNTERED (B	1			(f)	055 CARRIER		(g)	ANID
-	TYPE	OBSERVED	NO ENGAGING OWN A/C	ENCOUNTERED	LOCATIO ENCOU	ON OF NTER	BC	GUNS OB	OES CARRIED; SERVED	C	AMOUFLAGI MARKIN	G
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				(667)								
				(GCT)								
				(GCT)								
				(GCT)								
		t Enemy M and Clouds	s at Location	of Encounter	(s)				_(k) Visibi			
(i) '		AY AIRCRA		YED OR DAM	AGED IN A	IR (By Ow	n Airc	raft Listed				
(i) '	V. ENEA	(b) DESTRO	AFT DESTRO	D BY:					(c)		(d) DAMAGE
(i)	V. ENEA		AFT DESTRO	D BY:	OR GUNNER		n Airc		((d) DAMAGE CLAIMED
(i)	V. ENEA	(b) DESTRO	AFT DESTRO	D BY:					(c)		DAMAGE CLAIMED
(i)	V. ENEA	(b) DESTRO	AFT DESTRO	D BY:					(c)		(d) DAMAGE CLAIMED
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(i)	V. ENEA	(b) DESTRO	AFT DESTRO	D BY:					(c)		(d) DAMAGI CLAIMEI
(i)	V. ENEA	(b) DESTRO	AFT DESTRO	D BY:					(c)		(d) DAMAGI CLAIMEI
(i)	V. ENEA	(b) DESTRO	AFT DESTRO	D BY:					(c)		(d) DAMAGE CLAIMED
(i)	V. ENEA	(b) DESTRO	AFT DESTRO	D BY:					(c)		(d) DAMAGE CLAIMED

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VI. LOSS OR DAMAGE, COMBAT OR OPERATIONAL, OF OWN AIRCRAFT (of those listed in II only).

(a) TYPE OWN A/C	(b) SQUADRON	CAUSE: TYPE ENEMY A/C, TYPE GUN, OR OPERATIONAL CAUSE	(d) WHERE HIT, ANGLE	EXTENT OF LOSS OR DAMAGE REMARKS
1 None				
2				
3				
4				
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12				
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14				

VII. PERSONNEL CASUALTIES (in aircraft listed in II only; identify with planes listed in VI by Nos. at left).

(a) NO.	(b) SQUADRON	NAME, RANK OR RATING	(d) CAUSE	(e) CONDITION OR STATUS
	None			
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-				

VIII RANGE FUEL AND AMMUNITION DATA

TYPE A/C	(b)	(c)	AV. HOURS	AV. FUEL	AV EUE	(g) TOTAL	MUNITION	EXPENDED,	PLANES RET	JRNING
	MILES	LES MILES	IN AIR	AV. FUEL LOADED	AV. FUEL CONSUMED	NO. OF PLANES	.30	.50	20MM	T
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IX. COMPARATIVE PERFORMANCE, OWN AND ENEMY AIRCRAFT (use check list at left).

SPEED, CLIMB, at various altitudes

TURNS

DIVES

CEILINGS

RANGE

PROTECTION

ARMAMENT

RESTRICTED. (Reclassify when filled out)

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(c) Weather and Clouds Over Target See Bot	tom of this	page.		
(d) Sun or Moon		(e) Visibili	tý	
XI. TARGETS, RESULTS OF ATTACK.				
DESCRIPTION OF TARGET (List All Ships in Group, Whether or Not Individually Attacked)	(b) A/C ATTACKING (c) SQUADRON	(d) BOMBS AND AMMUNITION EXPENDED, EACH TARGET	ALTITUDE OF RELEASE	(f) HITS
Thatched huts on road 2 miles SE of KERAVAT AIRFIELD.	4 VMO-251	3x500 lb. bomb	1000 ft	.None
2 Huts along CAPE LAMBERT shore	4 VMO-251	2,000 rds. 50 Cal		
Buildings off west end of BUKA AIRSTRIP, BOUGAINVILLE	4 VMO-251	2x500 lb. bomb		. Unobserve
4				
5				
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8				

- (g) RESULTS: (FOR SHIP TARGETS DRAW DIAGRAM, TOP OR SIDE VIEW OR BOTH, AS APPROPRIATE, SHOWING TYPE AND LOCATION OF HITS. FOR ALL TARGETS GIVE LOCATION AND EFFECT OF HITS, WITH DIAGRAMS OR CHARTS WHERE DESIRABLE. DESCRIBE TARGETS FULLY IN (a), AND IN REPORTING DAMAGE OR DESTRUCTION, IDENTIFY BY NUMBERS AT LEFT. USE ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY).
 - 1. Unobserved.
 - 2. Smoked two huts.
 - 3. Unobserved.

WEATHER OT:

- 1. Fronts on either side of route. O'cast at 7,000 ft. Visibility:Unlimited
- 2. Good. Scattered Cu. at 4,000 ft. Thunderheads North of BUKA. CAVU.
- 3. Below average.

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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.)

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

OWN TACTICS

Method of Locating Target
Approach to Target
Altitudes, Speeds
Approach
Dive
Release
Pull-Out
Dive Angle
Strafing
Retirement
Defensive Tactics

DEFENSE, ENEMY

Evasive Tactics, Ships Concealment Anti-aircraft Searchlights Night Fighter Tactics

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

Usual dive bombing and strafing tactics



No comment.

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

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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

DECEPTION DEVICES

Airframe
Control Surfaces
Control System
Dive Flaps
Landing Gear
Heating System
Flight Characteristics
At Various Loadings

POWER PLANT

Engines
Engine Accessories
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Starters
Exhaust Dampers

HYDRAULIC SYSTEM

ELECTRICAL SYSTEM

Auxiliary Plant Lights

FUEL SYSTEM

FLIGHT CLOTHING

MAINTENANCE

SIGNATURE

BASE FACILITIES

Plane Servicing Equipment Personnel Facilities

H. B. WELCH, 2ndLt., A.C.I.O.

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MISSION LOG

PLANE NO.	PILOT	REMARKS
119 394 265 724	JENNINGS BARTON FOLEY FRANK	Dud. Jettisoned in water. Overshot.
691 413 739 353	SMITH NEILSON ROSELLEN MAC LACHLAN	No bombs. Strafed.
065 413 691 119	FOWLER MC CABE SWICK JOHNSON, A.	Jettisoned. Unobserved. Jettisoned. Unobserved.

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Major,

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1.	GENERAL	

f) Mission	Domb	and str	afe RATA	VAL 130	•		(g) Time of	Return	DO TIG
II. OW	N AIRCRAF	(c)	LLY COVERED	(e)		(f)		(g)	
TYPE	SQUADRON	NO. OF SORTIES	NO. ENGAGING N	O ATTACK- NG TARGET	BOMBS CARRI	AND TORPEDOE ED (PER PLANE)	5	FUZE, SE	
F4U-1	VMO-251	13	None	12	1x500 1	Lb. bomb		Inst.	
FG-lA	"	3	n	2		**		"	
	1		AIRCRAFT EA	APLOYED II	N THIS OPER				
TYPE	SQUADRON	NUMBER	В	ASE	TYPE	SQUADRON	NUMBER	BASI	E
None									
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V. ENE	(b) DESTROY	FT DESTRO	YED OR DAM.			USED	(c)	, ANGLE	DAMA CLAIM

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VI. LOSS OR DAMAGE, COMBAT OR OPERATIONAL, OF OWN AIRCRAFT (of those listed in II only).

(a) TYPE OWN A/C			(d) WHERE HIT, ANGLE EXTENT OF LOSS OR DAMAGE, REMARKS					
1 F4U-1	VMO-251	Hit by 20MM AA	Underneath engine	Plane lost.				
2 11	11	Hit by small AA	Top of Cowl	3"hole in top of cowl				
3								
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VII. PERSONNEL CASUALTIES (in aircraft listed in II only; identify with planes listed in VI by Nos. at left).

(a) NO.	(b) SQUADRON	NAME, RANK OR RATING	(d) CAUSE	CONDITION OR STATUS
L. 1	MO-251	FOLEY, James A. 1stLt.	Plane hit by AA	"Killed in Action".

VIII. RANGE, FUEL, AND AMMUNITION DATA

(a) TYPE	(b)	(c)	AV HOURS	(e)	(f)	(g) TOTAL	AMMUNITIO	ON EXPENDED, I	PLANES RETURNI	NG
A/C	MILES	MILES RETURN	AV. HOURS IN AIR	AV. FUEL LOADED	AV. FUEL CONSUMED	NO. OF PLANES	.30	.50	20MM	MM.
F4U-1	215	215	2.7	344	205	3		2,000		

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

SPEED, CLIMB, at various altitudes

TURNS

DIVES

CEILINGS

RANGE

PROTECTION

ARMAMENT

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- X. ATTACK ON ENEMY SHIPS OR GROUND OBJECTIVES (By Own Aircraft Listed in II Only),
- (a) Location of Target(s) East shore TALILI BAY, NEW BRITAIN(b) Time Over Target(s) 1110 L CXX
- (c) Weather and Clouds Over Target 10/10 at 10,000 feet directly over target.
- (d) Sun or Moon_______(e) Visibility Unlimited.

XI. TARGETS, RESULTS OF ATTACK.

DESCRIPTION OF TARGET (List All Ships in	(b) A/C ATTACKING	(d) BOMBS AND AMMUNITION	ALTITUDE OF	(f)
Group, Whether or Not Individually Attacked)	(c) SQUADRON	EXPENDED, EACH TARGET	RELEASE	HITS
Bldgs. 350 yards inland 2 mi.	2			
S of TUNNEL HILL ROAD.	VMO-251	2x500 lb. bombs	1200	Unobserved
2Supply area just east of	2			
KABAGADA POINT.	VMO-251	2x500 lb. bombs	1500	2 area.
Bldgs. NE of TUNNEL HILL	2			
coastal roads.	VMO-251	2x500 lb. bombs	1500	- 11
4	. 6			4 area.
RATAVAL 130	VMO-251	6x500 lb. bombs	2000	2 direct.
Groups of huts 1 mile in on	2			
KURAKAKAUL ROAD	VM0-251	2x500 lb. bombs	2000	2 direct.
6				
7				
8				

⁽g) RESULTS: (FOR SHIP TARGETS DRAW DIAGRAM, TOP OR SIDE VIEW OR BOTH, AS APPROPRIATE, SHOWING TYPE AND LOCATION OF HITS. FOR ALL TARGETS GIVE LOCATION AND EFFECT OF HITS, WITH DIAGRAMS OR CHARTS WHERE DESIRABLE. DESCRIBE TARGETS FULLY IN (a), AND IN REPORTING DAMAGE OR DESTRUCTION, IDENTIFY BY NUMBERS AT LEFT. USE ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY).

Only observed damage was one small fire putting up a small amount of gray smoke from huts on KURAKAKAUL ROAD.

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.)

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

OWN TACTICS

Method of Locating Target
Approach to Target
Altitudes, Speeds
Approach
Dive
Release
Pull-Out
Dive Angle
Strafing
Retirement
Defensive Tactics

DEFENSE, ENEMY

Evasive Tactics, Ships Concealment Anti-aircraft Searchlights Night Fighter Tactics

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

Clouds at 4,000 feet fouled up dive making it difficult to find target and observe results.

BARTON flew wing on FOLEY. FOLEY believed he got a direct hit and went back to look at target. When at 1200 feet between LOMANDAH and TAWUI POINT, he was hit by 20 MM explosive shell in engine. The AA was believed to have come from TAWUI POINT. FOLEY went right into the water 12 miles NW of TAWUI POINT. Oil slick was cloud covered in about ten minutes. There was no sign of life.

Best results were obtained by using the following tactics: Pushover 8,000 ft; Angle of dive 40-80°; Dive brakes used; Indicated speed 320; Release 1500-3000 ft; Cowl sight used.

Neilson strafed a hut on WATOM ISLAND.

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

Use additional sheets if necessary).

No comment.

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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PILOT PLANE NO. REMARKS 036 HART Jettisoned bomb. 942 ERDMANN 157 FLICKINGER Missed. 221 CRUTCHER 895 SMITH Area hit. 387 NEILSON 353 ROSELLEN MAC LACHLAN 032 119 JOLINK 724 ENDERS 394 MOYNIHAN 265 11 BOWERS Direct hit. **JENNINGS** 065 413 BARTON 11 FOLEY FRANK 691

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I. GENERAL

(f) Mission	Bomb	and str	rafe					(g) Time of	f Return 113	5 L (
II. OW	N AIRCRAF	T OFFICIA	LLY COVERI	ED BY THIS	REPORT.						
(a) TYPE	(b) SQUADRON	NO. OF SORTIES	(d) NO ENGAGING ENEMY A/C	NO ATTACK- ING TARGET	BC	MBS A	(f) ND TORPEDOE (PER PLANE)	s	FUZE, SETTING Inst.		
F4U-1	VMO-25	1 11	None	11	1x500	1b	. bomb				
FG-1A	"	1	11	1		"			"		
III. OT	THER U. S. C	OR ALLIED	AIRCRAFT I	EMPLOYED	IN THIS O	PERA	TION.		-		
None	SQUADRON	NUMBER		BASE	TY	PE	SQUADRON	NUMBER	BA	SE	
IV. EN	EMY AIRCR	AFT ENCO	UNTERED (By Own Airc	raft Listed	in II	Only)				
(a) TYPE	(b) NO OBSERVED	NO ENGAGING OWN A/C		LOCATIO	craft Listed in II Only). BOMBS, TORPEDOES CARRIED ONLY GUNS OBSERVED				CAMOUFLAGE AND		
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			(GCT)								
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TYPE ENEMY A/C	TYPE A/C	SQUADRON		OR GUNNER	G	UNS U	SED	WHERE H	t) IT, ANGLE	DAMAGE CLAIMED	
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VI. LOSS OR DAMAGE, COMBAT OR OPERATIONAL, OF OWN AIRCRAFT (of those listed in II only).

(a) TYPE OWN A/C	(b) SQUADRON	CAUSE: TYPE ENEMY A/C, TYPE GUN, OR OPERATIONAL CAUSE	(d) WHERE HIT, ANGLE	EXTENT OF LOSS OR DAMAGE REMARKS
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2				
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4				

VII. PERSONNEL CASUALTIES (in aircraft listed in II only; identify with planes listed in VI by Nos. at left).

(a) (O)	(b) SQUADRON	NAME, RANK OR RATING	(d) CAUSE	(e) CONDITION OR STATUS
	None			
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VIII. RANGE, FUEL, AND AMMUNITION DATA

(a) TYPE A/C	(b)	(c) MILES	AV. HOURS	(e)	(f)	(g) TOTAL	AMMUNITION	EXPENDED,	PLANES RETURNING	
A/C	MILES	RETURN	IN AIR	AV. FUEL AV. FUEL CONSUMED NO	NO. OF PLANES	.30	.50	20MM	MM	
F4U-1	41	41	1.0	344	120	7		4.000		
F1A	41	41	1.0	344	115	1		4,000		
- g	44	44		244		-				

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

SPEED, CLIMB, at various altitudes

TURNS

DIVES

CEILINGS

RANGE

PROTECTION

ARMAMENT

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X. ATTACK ON ENEMY SHIPS OR GROUND OBJECT	IVES (By Own Aircraft Listed in II Only)
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(a) Location of Target(s) SOUTH BOUGAIN	VILLE	(b) Time Ove	er Target(s)_	1100L 30
(c) Weather and Clouds Over Target 5/10 at	1500 ft. B	uild up of Cu. clo	uds up t	o 14,000 ft.
(d) Sun or Moon		(e) Visibi	lity_Unlim	ited.
XI. TARGETS, RESULTS OF ATTACK.				
DESCRIPTION OF TARGET (List All Ships in Group, Whether or Not Individually Attacked)	(b) A/C ATTACKING (c) SQUADRON	(d) BOMBS AND AMMUNITION EXPENDED, EACH TARGET	ALTITUDE OF RELEASE	(f) HITS
Huts below assigned target of MALABETA HILL	n 4 VMO-251	4x500 lb. bombs	1500	4 Area
2 2 houses inland north of MALABETA HILL	VMO-251	4x500 lb. bombs	2000	2 Area 2 Unobserve
3 3 thatched huts on MALABETA HILL	VMO-251	4x500 lb. bombs	3000	1 " 3 Area
4				
5				
6				

No damage seen.

⁽g) RESULTS: (FOR SHIP TARGETS DRAW DIAGRAM, TOP OR SIDE VIEW OR BOTH, AS APPROPRIATE, SHOWING TYPE AND LOCATION OF HITS. FOR ALL TARGETS GIVE LOCATION AND EFFECT OF HITS, WITH DIAGRAMS OR CHARTS WHERE DESIRABLE. DESCRIBE TARGETS FULLY IN (a), AND IN REPORTING DAMAGE OR DESTRUCTION, IDENTIFY BY NUMBERS AT LEFT. USE ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY).

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.)

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
Release
Pull-Out
Dive Angle
Strafing
Retirement
Defensive Tactics

DEFENSE, ENEMY

Evasive Tactics, Ships Concealment Anti-aircraft Searchlights Night Fighter Tactics

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

Attack was hindered by clouds over the target. Pilots selected various groups of huts which could be sighted through the few holes in the clouds. The primary target was obscured from view.

MISSION LOG

REMARKS

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JOHNSON. A. Unobserved.

Unobserved.

Unobserved.

Area hit.

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11

Hit in area.

Hit in area.

PILOT

BACHELER

SPINDLER

JOHNSON. H.

PIRAGES

FOWLER

SWICK

JOLINK

ENDERS

BOWERS

CORMAN

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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

No comment.

PLANE NO.

119

724

394

221

942

413

691

353

895

157

912

032

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

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NAVIGATIONAL EQUIPMENT

Compasses Driftsights Octants Automatic Pilots Charts Field Lighting INSTRUMENTS

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STRUCTURE

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HYDRAULIC SYSTEM

ELECTRICAL SYSTEM

Auxiliary Plant Lights

FUEL SYSTEM

FLIGHT CLOTHING

MAINTENANCE

BASE FACILITIES

SIGNATURE

Plane Servicing Equipment Personnel Facilities

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III. OTHER U. S. OR ALLIED AIRCRAFT EMPLOYED IN THIS OPERATION. TYPE SQUADRON (b) TANING (c) ENGAGED (B) TANING (D) TANI				er Sweep		2. 1330			1. 1055 Return 2. 1615
TYPE SQUADRON TAKING ENGANG ATTACKING CARRED (PER PLANE) (a) SPAU-1 VMO-251 3 None 3 1x500 lb. boinb Tist. 1						HIS REPORT.		_ (F) Time of F	letum
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III. OTHER U. S. OR ALLIED AIRCRAFT EMPLOYED IN THIS OPERATION. TYPE SQUADRON NUMBER BASE TYPE SQUADRON NUMBER BASE IV. ENEMY AIRCRAFT OBSERVED OR ENGAGED (By Own Aircraft Listed in II Only). (a) (b) OBSERVED OR ENGAGED (By Own Aircraft Listed in II Only). (b) OBSERVED ON ONN A/C ENCOUNTERED LOCATION OF ENCOUNTERED (LOCATION OF ENCOUNTERED ENCOUNTERED (LOCATION OF			1 3	7.700	3		. bomb		
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(a) TYPE OWN	A/C SQUADRO	N TYPE	CAUSE: TYPE EN GUN, OR OPERA	TIONAL CAUSE	WHERE H	(d) IIT, ANGLE (g tanks, equi	List armor,	(Give Bure	ENT OF LOSS au serial numb	OR DAMAGE, er of planes destroy
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IX.	. ENEMY	ANTI-AIRCRAFT	ENCOUNTERED	Check one block on each	ch line).
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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				

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

SPEED, CLIMB, at various altitudes

TURNS DIVES CEILINGS RANGE

PROTECTION ARMAMENT

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(OMIT THIS SHEET IF NO ATTACK WAS MADE)

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XI. ATTACK ON EN	EMY SHIPS O	R GROUND OBJECT	TIVES (By Own	Aircraft Liste	d in II Only	1. 0910 L
(a) Target(s) and Location	n(s) DUKE O	F YORK-CAPE	LAMBERT UNDER ATTACK)	(b) Time O	er Target(s)	2. 1430 L(Zone)
(a) Target(s) and Location (c) Clouds Over Target 2	. 4/10 1- Scatter CAPE MO	3000 ft. Sca ed Cu. 2/10	ttered Cu from 2-60	CAVU. OO ft. Re	in squa	lls at
(d) Visibility of Target	Clear	ZY, PARTIALLY OBSCURED		(e)	Visibility_ <u>U</u>	nlimited.
(f) Bombing Tactics: Type	,			Bomb Sight U	sed	
		(LEVEL, GLIDE OR DIVE)			(TYPE)
Bombs Dropped per Rui	n	Spacing	(FEET)	Altitude	of Bomb Rel	ease 1000-2500 f
(g) Number of Enemy Air	craft Hit on Gro	ound: Destroyed	Proba	ably Destroyed		Damaged
(h) AIMING POINT	DIMENSIONS OR TONNAGE	(j) NO A/C ATTACKING (k) SQUADRON	BOMBS AND EXPENDED, EACH	AMMUNITION H AIMING POINT	NO. HITS On Aiming Point	(n) DAMAGE (None, slight, serious, destroyed or sunk)
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USAUAT PLTN. Bldgs SW part of	BUKA	VMO-251	lx500 lb.	bomb	Unobse	rved
6						
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- (O) RESULTS: (For all hits claimed on ship targets and for land targets of special interest, draw diagram, top or side view or both, as appropriate, showing type and location of hits. For all targets give location and effect of hits, and identify by numbers above. Use additional sheets if necessary).
 - 1. Destroyed by bombing at least 4 wooden huts 1 mile SE of KERAVAT. One direct hit on each of two concentrated group of huts.
 - 2. None from bombing. Smoked 6 huts by strafing.

⁽p) Were Photographs Taken? Yes. Photographs of Damage, When Taken, Should Be Attached By Staple JENNINGS photographed truck park east of CAPE LIGUAN.

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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.)

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

ATTACK OWN TACTICS

Method of Locating Target
Approach to Target
Altitudes, Speeds
Approach
Dive
Pull-Out
Dive Angle
Strafing
Retirement
Defensive Tactics

Recognition, Aircraft

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

- 1. Strafed DUKE OF YORK ISLANDS. Lt. JENNINGS went in and photographed the truck park just east of CAPE LIGUAN.
- 2. SMITH, NEILSON and MAC LACHLAN smoked 6 huts on TAKIS PLANTATION. Also strafed DUKE OF YORK. ROSELLEN, the fourth member of SMITH's division took off late because of flat tire and was unable to over take flight. So he dropped his bomb on a large building on SW tip of BUKA ISLAND. Results unobserved.

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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

No comment.

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

REPORT PREPARE

Plane Servicing Equipment Personnel Facilities

MISSION LOG

PLANE NO.	PILOT	REMARKS
895 032	JENNINGS FRANK	Hit in area.
724 119	SWICK BARTON	Direct hit.
8 95 032 119 387	SMITH NEILSON MAC LACHLAN ROSELLEN	Miss. " " Unobserved.

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