BLUE FORCE

28 Feb. 1945

CHARLIE FLIGHT

11. Frobom 86 Q
12. Schneider 73 D
13. Keller 88 S
21. Tackes * 81 L
22. Drislane 65 P
23. Gregg 56 G
31. Anderson * 60 K

ABLE FLIGHT

11. Hammett 700 Y
12. Seaman * 79 B
13. Paeton 77 H
21. Solda * 74 E
22. Seaman * 79 B
23. Sugua 87 R
31. LaChance 58 I

BAKER FLIGHT

11. Kelver 63 N
12. Latimer * 53 D
13. Stewart, D. 52 C
21. Forster 50 A
22. Hanes 62 M
23. Eiden * 61 L

* Camera aboard

BRIEF: 0545A
START ENGINES: 0745A
TAXI OUT : 0800A
TAKE OFF : 0815A

ALT.#10: BRESCIA WEST M/Y (45-33, 10-11).
ALT.#11: BRESCIA GOODS DEPOT (45-33, 10-11).
ALT.#12: BRESCIA STATION AND LOCO DEPOT (45-33, 10-13).

RENDEZVOUS: NO. 2 BG will be in rendezvous rectangle from 0907A until 0931A. Nos. 3 & 1 BGs will follow SOI to rendezvous with lead BG. No. 2 BG will enter rectangle at Candeia, go around 1 ½ times and depart at Bovino en route to TP #1 direct. No. 2 BG 10,000’, No. 3 BG 11,000’, No. 1 BG 12,000’

ORDER OF FLIGHT: No. 2 BG lead, No. 3 BG, No. 1 BG.
ROUTE OUT: Base to TP #1 to TP #2 to TP #3 to TP #4 to TP #5 to IP to Tgt.

TURN POINT #1: Pistoria (43-56, 10-55), base alt: 23,000’.
AXIS OF ATTACK: 109 deg. TC. INT. SETTING: 30’ (visual only).
TARGET TIME: 1220A.
TARGET ELEVATION: 1866’.

ORDERING ALTITUDE: 25,000’.
RALLY: Left.
ROUTE BACK: Target to RP (S. Candido 46-44, 12-18) to TP #6 to TP #7 to Base.
BOMB LOAD: 500# RDX fused .1 nose and .01 tail.
NOTE: No. 3 BG will be at bombing altitude and go into column of boxes at TP #4. PFF A/C will lead for navigation only. This is a planned VISUAL MISSION. Extreme caution will be exercised to avoid flying over SWISS TERRITORY.

RADIO RANGE: Lake Lesina, callsign “LA”, Frequency 263 Kcs.


BOMBER CALL SIGNS: No. 1 BG “Rubbish 3”, No. 2 BG “Rubbish 1”, No. 3 BG “Rubbish 2”.

FIGHTER CALL SIGNS: “Platoon”.
WX RECON A/C: Route Out: “Butler 1”, Route Back “Butler 2”.
RECALL IDENTIFICATION CODEWORD: “Moonglow”.
SQ. CALL SIGNS: Sq. 1 “Wellfed”, Sq. 2 “Thankless”, Sq. 3 “Raceclub”, Sq. 4 “Steadful”.

VISUAL SIGNALS: See reverse side.

ALDIS LAMP: Red “W”.
NOTE: All units so equipped will employ carpet. All A/C load 3 cartons window. Dispensing will begin 3 minutes before IP and continue at the rate of 3 bundles every 20 seconds until clear of flak.

FIGHTER ESCORT: P-51s will provide roving target cover over Brenner route targets and will also patrol Udine Area.