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Camera Aboard

FIRST ATTACK UNIT

ABLE FLIGHT

11. Keese 300 Z A
12. McCoy 302 X B
13. Ammons 35 F C
21. Behrel 40 K
22. Stonecipher * 31 B
23. Swanson 39 J
31. Poy * 30 A

BAKER FLIGHT

11. Weaver * 63 N B
12. Gregg 65 P A
13. Kennedy 56 G C
21. Nowacki 62 M
22. Halliday * 53 D
23. Branson 55 F
31. Savage 60 K

START ENGINES:

11. Keese 300 Z
12. Gregg 65 P

BRIEF:

0630B
11. Keese 300 Z
12. Gregg 65 P

TAXI OUT:

BRIEF:

0825B
21. Behrel 40 K
21. Nowacki 62 M

SECOND ATTACK UNIT

DOG FLIGHT

11. Dufour 28 S
12. Spieth 26 Q
13. Parks * 20 K
21. Yanney 29 T
23. Parker 15 F
31. Demaio 16 G

EASY FLIGHT

11. Tackes 74 E
12. Frobom * 83 N
13. Gartland 73 D
21. Leese 72 C
22. Pearson * 87 R
31. Meyers 88 S

TAXI OUT:

BRIEF:

0845B
22. Halliday 53 D
23. Branson 55 F
31. Savage 60 K

SECOND ATTACK UNIT

TAKE OFF:

11. Dufour 28 S
12. Spieth 26 Q
13. Parks * 20 K
21. Yanney 29 T
23. Parker 15 F
31. Demaio 16 G

ORDER OF FLIGHT: BG 1 – lead, BG 3, BG 2.

TARGET:

RR CARS IN ST POLTON M/Y (48-13, 15-38).
ALT #1: Krottendorf/St. Marien Engr Wks (47-27, 15-19).
ALT #3: Selzthal M/Y (47-33, 14-18).
ALT #4: St. Michael M/Y (47-21, 15-01).

BOMBER RENDEZVOUS: None. All Gps will leave Departure Point BOVINO enroute to TP #1 via CASALNUOVO. BG 1 – 0954B; BG 3 – 1004B; BG 2 – 1014B. Departure Point Altitude: 8,000 ft for all Gps.

ROUTE OUT: Base to TP #1 to TP #2 to Practice Target (Gloggnitz M/Y) To IP to Target.

TURN POINT #1: Split (43-31, 16-27). ALTITUDE 15,000 ft.

INITIAL POINT: Pernitz (47-54, 15-58).

AXIS OF ATTACK: 324 TC.

TARGET TIME: 1255B

TARGET ELEVATION: 951 ft.

BOMBING ALTITUDE: BG 1 – 18,000; BG 2 – 19,000; BG 3 – 19,000; BG 2 – 18,000 ft.

RALLY Left.

ROUTE BACK: Target to TP #3 to TP #4 to Base.

NOTE: All Gps will bomb by individual boxes. This is a PLANNED VISUAL MISSION.

NOTE: No bombs will be jettisoned in YUGOSLAVIA.

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


COMMUNICATIONS: Tower: Channel “B”; Interplane: 5210 or Channel “B”; VHF Channel “A” for Fighters; VHF Channel “C” for Intergroup.

BOMBER CALL SIGNS: BG 3 “Ripple 2”; BG 1 “Ripple 1”; BG 2 “Ripple 3”.

FIGHTER CALL SIGNS: “Pixis”.

WX RECON A/C: Route out, “Tankstop 1”; Route back, “Tankstop 2”.

RECALL IDENTIFICATION CODEWORD: “Poker”.

RUSSIAN LANDING CODEWORD: “Dryclean”.

RUSSIAN RECOGNITION SIGNALS: Basic: Rock wing;

SQ. CALL SIGNS:
Sq 1 – “Wellfed”; Sq 2 – “Thankless”;
Sq 3 – “Raceclub”; Sq 4 – “Steadful”.

VISUAL SIGNALS: See reverse side. ALDIS LAMP: Red “W”.

ETR: 1515B.

FIGHTER ESCORT: 50 P-51s will intercept Wing at 1215B at 23,000 ft and provide route cover on PTW.