BRIEF: 0630B

FIRST ATTACK UNIT

ABLE FLIGHT VHF BAKER FLIGHT VHF

START ENGINES:


14 April 1945

TAXI OUT:

22. Stonecipher 30 A 22. Savage 55 F

1st Unit:

0800B


2nd Unit:

0810B


1st Unit:

0815B

23. Johnson * 40 K 23. Shiely * 61 L

2nd Unit:

0825B

31. McCaughey * 31 B 31. Mitchell 63 N
21. Stewart * 52 C


* Camera Aboard

NO TEST FIRE GUNS


2nd Unit:

0835B

31. Meyer 26 Q 31. Guisbond 76 G

Spare: 701-Z; 36-G Spare: 65-P

TARGET: MALCONTENTA AMMO FCTY (45-25, 12-12).

ALT #3: Peschiera Todt Supply Dump. (45-26, 10-43).

RENDEZVOUS: None. All groups will leave Departure Point BOVINO Direct to CP. No 3 BG at 0948B at 12,000'.

ORDER OF FLIGHT: No 2 BG lead; No 1 BG and No 3 BG.

ROUTE OUT: Base to CP to TP #1 to TP #2 to IP to Target.

CONTROL POINT: Pistoia (43-56, 10-55) No 3 BG 1130B at 22,000'.

INITIAL POINT: Conselve (45-14, 11-52).

AXIS OF ATTACK: 50° TC.

TARGET TIME: No 3 BG 1206B. TARGET ELEVATION: 15'.

BOMBING ALTITUDE: No 2 BG 23,000; No 1 BG 24,000; No 3 BG 23,000'.

RALLY: Sharp right.

ROUTE BACK: Target to TP #3 to Base.

BOMB LOAD: 500# RDX fused .1 nose and non-delay tail.

NOTE: All A/C will load 2 cartons window. Dispensing will begin 3 Minutes before TP and continue at the rate of 3 bundles every 20 seconds until clear of flak.

NOTE: Groups will be at bombing altitude at TP #2.

NOTE: PFF will lead for navigation only. This is a planned VISUAL MISSION.

NOTE: Bombing will be by individual boxes.

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


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

BOMBER CALL SIGNS: No 2 BG “Poultry 1”; No 1 BG “Poultry 2”; No 3 BG “Poultry 3”.

FIGHTER CALL SIGNS: “Burglar”.

RECALL IDENTIFICATION CODEWORD: “Panhandle”.

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

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

FIGHTER ESCORT: 60 P-38s will intercept at Pistoia at 1115B and provide escort on penetration target and withdrawal.

ESTIMATED TIME RETURN: 1345B.