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OPERATIONAL ACTIVITIES

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(7). 1 Mosquito VI Aircraft of 464 Squadron up Hunsdon 2257 down 0120 patrolled Are of St. Trond aerodrome for 5 minutes before attacking this airfield at 0012 hrs. from 1500 feet with 4 X 500 lb.M.C, T.D. 11 secs. bombs. Bombs were aimed at intrsection of the runways, but results not seen. A S/L canopy was seen over Eindhoven and the airfields of Diest/Steffen Beverloo and Asselt were lit up.
WEATHER:- 10/10 over the sea clear in the target area.
(8). 1 Mosquito VI aircraft of 464 Squadron detailed to attack Florennes ~~XXXX~~ aerodrome failed to take off owing to a taxying accident. Crew OK.
(9). 1 Mosquito VI of 464 Squadron up Hunsdon 2205 down 2230 abandoned task over base due mechanical failures.
(10). 1 Mosquito VI aircraft of 487 Squadron up Hunsdon 2234 down 0113 patrolled area of Gilze/Rijen between 2332 and 0012 hrs. but no activity seen and bombs brought back.
Weather:- ~~XX~~ 3/10 over coast none in target area.
(11). 1 Mosquito aircraft VI of 487 Squadron up Hunsdon 2231 crash landed 5 minutes later on one engine. Crew OK.

R. 1025/23rd March, 1944.

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at the end flare patch. All lights doused on bombing. Weather:- 4-5/10th cloud. Hazy over sea.
9. One Mosquito VI aircraft of 487 Sqdn. up 2238 down 0032 Hunsdon, detailed to attack Gilze/Rijen abandoned 2340 hrs. 2500 ft. unable td pinpoint position. Weather hazy over sea patched of cloud 2500ft.

10. One Mosquito VI aircraft of 464 Sqd. up 2230 down 0105 Hunsdon attacked Volkel aerodrome at 2336 hrs. from 1200 ft with 4 X 500 M.C. LB.T.D. .025 bombs all lights doused after bombing aircraft then patrolled for several minutes. Gilze/Rijen aerodrome seen to be lit up lights later doused. Weather:- Good small amount of cloud inland xxx over Holland.

11. One aircraft of 464 Squadron up 1937 down 2226 Hunsdon detailed to attack Volkel aerodrome patrolled area for 23 minutes uneventfully but did not bomb all bombs were brought back. Weather:- Good slight haze near Dutch coast. R. 0815/20th March, 1944.

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FROM 2 GROUP.
AI. 198. NO. 2 Group Summary Dusk/Dawn 19/20th March, 1944.
1. 1 Mosquito VI aircraft of 613 Squadron up Coltishall 2055 down Lasham 2308 detailed to bomb and patrol Vechte airfield abandoned task 5250 N 0445 E at 2128 hrs. 5,000 ft. owing to inability to pick up gee singals and failure to pinpoint. Weather - considerable haze. Visibility at ~~Ermk~~ best 1 to 2 miles. All bombs brought back.
2. One Mosquito VI aircraft of 613 Squadron up 2236 Coltishall down 0154 Lasham attacked Ardorf aerodrome at 2350 1/2 hrs. from 2,000 ft. with 4 X 500 lb. bombs seen to burst on E.W. runway in vicinity of an aircraft which had just touched down aerodrome lighting remainder on after bombing. No results seen. Weather:- No cloud patches of ground haze. Visibility 5 miles.
3. One Mosquito VI aircraft of 613 Squadron up 2144 hrs. down 0037 hrs. Lasham attacked Venlo aerodrome at 2308 hrs. from 1,000 ft. with 4 X 500 lb. M.C.T.D. 11 secs. bombs. Long stick fell across centre of E.W. runway of which one burst seen about 100 yds. North of runway.

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White lighting on runway extinguished after bombing. Gilze/Rijen aerodrome seen alight and two star amber cartridge fired at western end of runway. A red light was seen for about 3 seconds from south of same runway. Eindhoven aerodrome also seen to be lit up. Weather:- No cloud over target. Visibility 4-5 miles.

4. One Mosquito VI aircraft of 613 Sqdn. up 2220 down 0114 Lasham attacked Venlo aerodrome at 2337 hrs. from 2500 ft. with 4 X 500 Lb. M.C. T.D. 11 secs. bombs. Bursts seen about 500 yds. east of Eastern end of E/W runway. All lights doused after bombing 5 miles south west of Gilze/Rijen. at 2325 hrs. 3,000 ft. Aerodrome lit up and star shell fired bursting into a double white. 3 miles south west of Eindhoven at 2328-1/2 hrs. 3,000 ft. aerodrome lit up. Large W in red lights with legs about 100 yds. in length with white lights surrounding. Weather:- No cloud in target area. Visibility 20 miles.

5. 1 Mosquito VI aircraft of [illegible] Sqdn. up 1952 down 2308 Hunsdon detailed to attack Leeuwarden aerodrome patrolled area for 20 minutes but did not bomb as target could not be identified. When crossing enemy coast in at Egmond (2024 hrs.) the lights of an aerodrome were seen and on way out Texel aerodrome was seen to be ~~ringed with 4 searchlights~~ all bombs brought back. Weather:- 7/10ths at 5,000 ft. visibility good.

6. One Mosquito VI aircraft of 21 Squadron up 2251 down 0055 detailed to bomb Deelen aerodrome abandoned task at enemy coast at 2313 hrs. 3,000 feet due to gee and consequent failure to pinpoint. All bombs brought back.

7. One Mosquito VI aircraft of 487 Sqdn. up 2212 down 0116 attacked runway on Twente/Enschede aerodrome at 2332 hrs. from 2,000 ft. with 4 X 500lb. M.C. T.D. 11 secs. Results not seen. 2 marker searchlights seen on approach and target lit up on arrival. Weather:- patchy visibility good.

8. One Mosquito VI aircraft of 487 Sqdn. up 1924 down 2223 Hunsdon attacked Twente/Enschede aerodrome at 2043 hrs. from 2,000 ft. with 4 X 500 lb. M.C. TD 11 secs. Bombs no results seen. Flare path lit up with horizon lights. A cluster of 4 red lights

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From: 149 Wing. Serial: A1/87.
COMPOSITE INTRUDER REPORT.
(A)464 (RAAF) Sqdn. (B) M squito VI P/O Orris, P/O Mcintosh (Can.) 4X500 MC. Mk. IV TD 11 secs. (C) 1955-2233 (D) Deelen.
General: Did not bomb. Bombs brought bac . A/D not identified, not lighted. Haze over ta get area up to 2000ft. clear above. S/Lights and gun flashes seen far to south on way out. Red beacon seen flashing dashed to N. of target area.

0507 hrs.
19t March, 1941.

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From: 140 Wing. Serial: A1/82.
COMPOSITE INTRUDER REPORT.
(A)464 (B) 1 Mosquito VI /K/ F/L Hole, Sgt. West 4X500 MC.TD. .025 bombs. (C)1918-2157 (D) Deelen A/F. (E) 2125-2126 (F) Nil (G) Nil.
General: Could not identify target. A/D brilliantly lit seen approx. 10 miles W.S.W. target-lights doused alsmost immediately. 4 S/L's see in target area. No flak but flashes seen on ground on approach to Arnheim also from a MS Terdam direction. Bombs brought back. Weather: Very hazy over sea. After crossing E.coast hazy cloud 2000ft. clearing towards target area. Stars not visible.
0150 hrs.
16th March, 1944.

From:140 Wing. Serial: A1/183. 179/16.
COMPOSITE INTRUDER REPORT.
(A)464 Sqdn. (B) Mosquito VI 'T' P/O Langridge P/O Hemmings 4X500 MC. TD .025 bombs. (C)1917-2147 (D) Twente-Enschede A/D (E) 2032-1/2-2034 (F) Nil (G) Nil.
General: Could not identify target but flew in target area for 2 mins. Bombs brought back. 6 S/L's seen between Zwotle and Almelo on way in. No flak. Several fires (Ambre) seen just S. of Egmond on way out. Also flares seen about 20 miles from English coast. Weather: Hazy over-sea - clearing towards target - scattered cloud - 2000ft. - target area.

ANNEXURE
0246 hrs.
16th March, 1944.

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FROM: H.Q. 2 GROUP
AI/182 15th March, 1944.
NO.2 GROUP SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS DAWN/DUSK 15th MARCH,'44 PART I
TARGET: CONSTRUCTIONAL WORKS AT HERBOUVILLE.

1ST ATTACK

SQDN.	107
DETAILED	6
TOOK OFF	6
PRIMARY	6

Time up: 1317 Time down 1543.
PRIMARY:- 6 Mosquitoes VI attacked constructional works at Herbouville between 1408 and 1410 hrs. from 100 ft. to 500 ft. heeding 205/300 degs. with 24 X 500 lb MC MK IV TD 11 secs. bombs. Results: possible hits on the square building and much smoke over target area. There were a few bursts to the S of the square building. All A/C used cannon with unobserved strikes.
FLAK:- Light flak with white puffs above A/C at about 6,000 ft. from area of Veules-Les-Roses (SD/6 025645) at 1401 hrs. (on way in) and 1412 hrs. (on way out) 5,000 ft. in each case. Light flak from St.Valery-en-Caux (SD/6 970640) 1401 hrs. (on way in) and 1415 hrs. (on way out) G height 5,000 ft. in each case. Light flak from Epinells (SXD/6 064660) 1415 hrs. 3,000 ft. inaccurate.
WEATHER:- 6/10 at 2,000 ft. Visibility 10/15 miles.
DAMAGE:- 1 A/C was damaged possibly by bomb doors. Crash landed at base. Crew O.K. Photos were taken.

2nd ATTACK

SQDN.	305
DETAILED	6
TOOK OFF	6
PRIMARY	6

Time up 1522 time down 1652.

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PRIMARY:- 6 Mosquito VI A/C attacked the primary between 1603½ and 1607 hrs. from 200 ft. to 700 ft. heading 030 340 degs. with 24 X 500 lb MC MKIV TD II secs. bombs. Several bursts observed in vicinity of the square building which appeared to have a damaged roof and wall (probably from a previous attack). There were also several overshoots to W. and N.E. of the target area. Cannon were used in the target area with unobserved results. Another A/C shot up a probably machine gun emplacement near a water tower (8E/2 108534) at 1604½ hrs. 200 ft. Another A/C shot up a probable machine gun position N.E. of Epineville (8D/6 077659) at 1603 hrs. 50 ft.
FLAK:- S.A.A. fire reported from target area. Bracy and Luneray (8E/2 123568) and 104586 respectively) at 1606 hrs. 200 ft. Slight light inaccurate flak.
WEATHER:- 1/10 cloud at 4,000 ft. Slight haze. Visibility 15/20 miles. Photos were taken.
REMARKS:- Approximately 30 German troops training at position 8E/2 0657. Peasants seen working in field about 1,000 yds. N. of the square building.
TARGET:- CONSTRUCTIONAL WORKS AT PREUSEVILLE.

SQDN.	464	487
DETAILED	~~2~~	2
TOOK OFF	2	2
PRIMARY	2	1
ABORTIVE	-	1

Time up 1507 time down 1658.
PRIMARY:- 2 Mosquito VI A/C of ~~464~~ Sqdn. followed by one Mosquito VI A/C of 487 Sqdn. attacked constructional works at Preuseville at 1607 and 1617 hrs. respectively from 50 and 20 ft. heading 115 degs. and 040 degs. respectively. 10 X 500 lb MC MK IV TD II secs. bombs were dropped. One burst seen about 20 yds. N.W. of the square building and two bursts over the rectangular buildings. The A/C from 487 Sqdn. intending to attack a road convoy going N.W. from Fresnoy (9D/5 460630) pressed the bomb button in mistake resulting in ging bombs being dropped alive. 1614 hrs. 800 ft. Bombs are believed to have fallen on rear part of convoy.
ABORTIVE:- One A/C of 487 Sqdn. did not bomb owing to having made too violent a turn on target and all bombs brought back.
FLAK:- Bivelles 1620 hrs. 4,500 ft. 20 bursts of light flak bursting at 3,000 ft. 1607 and 1617 hrs. 50 ft. light flak from known position in target area.
WEATHER:- No cloud, visibility 15 miles.
REMARKS:- Tactics - A/C were flown at following heights:- Crossed enemy coast at 4,500 ft. undulating 1,000 ft. over target at 50 ft. Climbed to 3,500 ft. after bombing and crossed enemy coast at 4,500 ft.

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TARGET:- Constructional Works at Foret du Heele
SQDN. 21
DETAILED 6
TOOK OFF 6
PRIMARY 6
Time up 1335. Time down 1543.
PRIMARY:- 6 Mosquito VI A/C of 21 Sqdn. with 2 Mosquito A/C of 8 Sqdn. carrying blind bombing equipment attacked the primary at 1458½ hrs. from 20,300 ft. heading 090 degs. with 22 X 500 lb MC TD .025 bombs (the 2 A/C of 8 Group having dropped another 8 X 500 lb MC bombs). Results unobserved. Fighter escort was provided by 11 Group.
No flak, no E/A.
WEATHER:- 7/10ths cloud tops 5,000 ft. Visibility unlimited.
R. 16/0110 March, 1944

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FROM: 2 GROUP
AI/183 15th March, 1944.
NO.2 GROUP SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS DAWN/DUSK 15th MARCH,1944.
TARGET:- Constructional works at Flixecourt/Domart en Ponthieu.
SQDN. 320
DETAILED 12
TOOK OFF 12
PRIMARY: 12
Time up 1650. Time down 1850.
PRIMARY:- 12 Mitchells attacked the tgt. at 1759 hrs. from 9,500/11,000 ft. heading 340/356 degs. M. with 72 X 500 TD .025 and 24 X 500 long delay. Bomb bursts were observed in the tgt. area to the west with several overshoots. 1 A/C took photos. No E/A.
FLAK:- Moderate heavy and light flak from the Abbeville area. 1 A/C received flak damage.
WEATHER:- 3/10ths cloud at 5,000 ft. Vis. 15 miles over tgt. 8/10ths to E. of target.
TARGET:- CONSTRUCTIONAL WORKS AT GORENFLOS

SQDNS.	88	342
DETAILED	6	6
TOOK OFF	6	6
PRIMARY (BELIEVED)	5	-
ABORTIVE	-	6
ABANDONED	1	-

TIME UP:1705 TIME DOWN 1850

PRIMARY:- 5 Bostons of 88 Sqdn. attacked the tgt. at 1804 hrs. from 10,500 ft. heading 330 degs. from 10,500 ft. heading 330 degs. with 12 X 500 lb MC TD .025 and 8 X 500 long delay. Results unobserved.
FLAK:- Moderate accurate heavy flak on route between Oisemont (725675) and Abbeville 4 A/C of 88 Sqdn. and 2 of 342 recd. minor damage.
ABORTIVE:- 6 Bostons of 342 Sqdn. abandoned the task in the target area at 1806 hrs. at 11,300 ft. owing to tgt. being obscured by cloud. All A/C brought bomb back except for 4 long delay bombs which were jettisoned in the sea.
ABANDONED:- 1 A/C of 88 Sqdn. abandoned task over base due to excessive smoke from VHF power units.
WEATHER:- Fine 3/4-10ths strato. cu. at about 5,000 ft. with heavy bank of cloud to S.E. Vis. 15 miles. 9 A/C of 88 Sqdn. took photos.
TARGET:- CONSTRUCTIONAL WORKS AT AILLY-le-HAUTACLOCHER.

SQDN.	98	180
DETAILED	6	12
TOOK OFF	6	12
PRIMARY	6	11
ABORTIVE	-	1

Time up 1710. Time down 1917.
PRIMARY:- 17 Mitchells attacked the tgt. at 1809 hrs. from 11,000/12,000 ft. heading 300/340 degs. LAS 200 with 96 X 500 MC TD .025 and 35 X 500 long delay. 5 X 500 long delay hung up in one A/C of 180 and were jettisoned in the sea. Bursts seen across tgt. area.
FLAK:- Heavy moderate inaccurate flak from Picquigny (98/990644) to 10 miles beyond Abbeville. 3 A/C of 98 Sqdn. recd. minor flak damage. Photos were taken by 3 A/C of 180 and 2 of 98 Sqdns
ABORTIVE:- 1 A/C of 180 Sqdn. abandoned on circuit over base due to petrol leakage.
WEATHER:- No cloud in T/A. Vis. 8/10 miles. Cu. cloud seen further inland to the E.
R. 16/0209 March, 1944.

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From: No.2 Group - Flash Report received by Telephone at 1830 hrs. 15th March, 1944.

1st. attack. - RAMROD
6 Mosquitoes VI of 107 Sqdn. up from Lasham were despatched to attack target Z3065. 6 A/C attacked with 24X500 lb. bombs, between 1408 and 1410 hours. Results - possible hits on the square building, much smoke over target. No claims or casualties.
Time up: 1317 hrs. Time down: 1543 hrs.

3rd. attack.
2 Mosquitoes of 464 and 2 Mosquitoes of 487 Sqdns. from Lasham were despatched to attack target Z.3049. 3 A/C attacked with 10X500 lb. bombs. Results - 1 burst seen 20 yards N.W. of square building and 2 bursts near R.1 and R.2. No claims or casualties.
Time up: 1507. Time down: 1658 hrs.

1830 hrs.
15th March, 1944.

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ENCLOSURE 28A.

SECRET. 689/14.

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FROM 2 GROUP.
AI. 180.
No. 2 Group Summary of Operations Dawn/Dusk 14th/3/44.

TARGET:- Constructional Works at Herbouville.
SQDN. :- 464.
TOOK OFF:- 4.
ALTERNATIVE. 1.
ABORTIVE, 3.
TIMEUP. 1130. TIME DOWN 1332.

ALTERNATIVE.
1 Mosquito VI of 464 Sqdn. attacked what was believed to be the primary target, but which photographs have since shown to be construction works at Bonnetot. 4 X 500 LB. MC.T.D. 11 sec. bombs were dropped at 1239 1/2 hours from 500feet heading 180 degrees. Identification was difficult and after circling the target area for 15 minutes the attack was made in area of SKI1and SKI. 2. Photographs show bursts about 14 yds. from the quare buildings.

ABORTIVE:-
3 Mosquitoes VI aircraft of 464 Sqdn. were unable to identifiy their target and after circling for 12 to 15 minutes returned to base with all bombs.

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FLAK:-
Slight light tracer probably machine gun fire Was seen from Bacqueville-en-Caux (8 E/2 152 532) at 1220, from 100 feet. Similar fire from Chappelle-sur-Dun (8 D/_ 060 620) at 1222 from 50 feet.

DAMAGE
One aircraft was damaged in main spar by a machine gun bullet.

WEATHER:-
8/ths cloud at 5,000 feet. Visibility good.

REMARKS:-
One aircraft reportes seeing light grey puff apparently coming from port side to West of target area. Time 1240. 1000 feet. Photographs were taken.

DAY RANGER:
SQUADRONS. 21.
DETAILED. 2.
TOOK OFF. 2. (H.D.).
ABORTIVE: 2.
TIME UP. 1428 TIME DOWN 1740.
AREA:- ANGERS.
ABORTIVE.
Both aircraft abandoned task 4 miles east Villedeau T.4234 at 1528 at 2,000 feet. Nothing to report.

WEATHER:-
Over sea-raining cloud starting at 1500 feet this side down to 400 feet the other side. Over France more rain with cloud down to 400 to 500 feet.
R. 1930/14th March, 1944.

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ENCLOSURE 27A.

SECRET. 215/14.

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FROM 2 GROUP.
AI. 176.
NO. 2 GROUP SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS DUSK TO DAWN 13/14/3/44.

OPERATIONAL TRAINING.
Aircraft all Mosquito VIS operated as follows:-
(1). F/O White 487 up 1950 down 2211 to Rosieres.
T.O.T. 2040-2046.
(2). F/Lt. Watt 487 up 1941 down 2202 to Rosieres
T.O.T. 2032-2041.
(3). W/O. Iredale 464 up 1943 down 2150 to Montdidier.
T.O.T. 2030-2039.
(4). W/C Kerr 487 up 1957 down 2219 to Montdidier
T.O.T.O. 2040-2046.
(5). F/O Monaghan 464 up 1901 down 2229 to Chateaudun
T.O.T. 2015-2035.
All aircraft took off Hunsdon landed Lasham.
All aircraft arrived over believed target areas as stated above. No signs of activity and since A/Fs were not positively identified. No bombs were dropped.
All pilots report blackout generally over France very bad- especially at Abbeville and Amiens. This bad blackout caused confusion in trying to identify airfields.

P.T.O.

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One pilot reports dummy A/F about 5 miles N.W. of Hornoy (15 miles S. of Abbeville-possibly a Poix dummy). Long string white lights-red obstruction lights and set for landing down wind. No flak or other incidents to report.

FLOWER OPERATIONS.

9 aircraft all Mosquitoes VIs operated as follows:-

(1). F/O Humphries 613 up 2157 down 2237 to St. Dizier circled own A/F and since U/C would not retract returned to base.

(2). F/O Bell Irving 21 up 2159 down 0023 to Laon. Bombed 4 X 500 lb. from 1500' at 2300. Saw bursts near N.S. runway and in vicinity. A/F lit up but doused as A/C roun up to bomb. No flak. Fire in direction Abbeville.

(3). F/O Edwards 487 up 2218 down 0046 to Laon. Did not bomb as could not identify target. Target not lit up. Dummy fire seen 8 miles S.W. Abbeville. 1 burst from bofors gun in target area.

(4). F/O Wheeler 21 up 2204 down 0035 to Laon. Did not bomb as could not identify target. Brilliant flashes seen in Laon area.

(5). W/O Watts 613 up 2215 down 0037 to Juvincourt. Did not bomb. Lighting on - but went off as our A/C approached - pilot could not positively identify target. Ground indication lights(white) seen on way to target from the coast to target at irregular intervals.

(6). F/O House 613 up 2215 down 0040 to Juvincourt bombed 4 X 500 lb. Saw 4 bursts towards end of W runway A/F not lit up. Lt. flak from Eperlay (5 miles E. of Montdidier). Heavy and light from S. of Abbeville.

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Brilliant flashes St. Quentin-Laon. Bombed 2317 from 1,000 ft.

(7) ~~XXXXX~~ F/Lt. Cobley 613 up 2213 down 0137 to St. Dizier bombed 4 X 500 lb. at 0007 from 2500'. Bursts not seen. A/F illuminated before bombing. No flak.

(8). F/O Knight 613 up 2152 down 0110 St. Dizier Bombed 4 X 500 lb. at 2320 from 1,000 feet. A/F lit as our A/C approached. Bursts seen near centre E.-W. runway. Ground indication lights between Ault-Valletigny and Vitry-Amiens.

(9). F/O Pigg 613 up 2217 to Juvincourt this A/C is missing. Nothing heard since take off. 1 Mosquito missing. F/O Pigg and W/O Wills missing.

R. 14/0555/March, 1944.

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26A

SECRET. 3/14.

W.R.(S.A.S.O)A.D.G.B.
C: IN C.
A.M.C.A.D.G.B.
A.E.A.F.(INT.W.R.).
A.M.L.O.
S.P.R.O.
C.I.O.
D.R.O/W.C.NAV.
D.G.C.
OPS.1.
OPS. 7 A.E.A.F.
I.W.O/C.I.U.

~~S.X.X.S.~~
D.R.S.(2).
W/C. TACTICS.A.D.G.B.
W/C. TACTICS.A.E.A.F.
INT. 4/5.
M.I.L.O.
C.O.P.C.
9 GROUP.
A.I.3(C)(1)A.M.
Polish L.O.
S/L. ~~Tangt~~.Tert.
A.M.D.of OPS.S.O.

FROM 2 GROUP.
AI.176 13th March,1944.
No. 2 Group Summary of Operations Dawn/Dusk
13/March,1944.

TARGET. ~~N.X.X.A.N.X.X.X.I.X.X.X~~ HERBOUVILLE.

SQDN.	487.	305.
DETAILED.	2.	2.
TOOK OFF.	2.	2.
MISSING.	1.	-

PRIMARY 2 2.
TIME UP 1505. down 1744. Time up 1631, down 1754.
PRIMARY:-
Two Mosquitoes 487 Sqdn. attacked constructional works at Herbouville with 8 X 500 M.C. 11 secs. bombs from 150 feet. 1601 hrs. heading 070 degs. Photos show bursts close to "Q" with one overshoot, six hundred yards into fields.
MISSING A/C.
Pilot: P/O Barribal Navigator P/O Priddle. Port engine seen feathered and starboard engine smoking. Heard by other A/C td say he was ditching. A/C ditched - 1612 hours and broke into

into 3 or 4 pieces approximately 30 miles North Sotteville MO.565. Wreckage was circled for one hour, no survivors or dinghy seen. Presumed enemy call in broken English heard on V.H.F. requesting accompanying A/C to circle his comrade and transmit for fix.

PRIMARY:-

Two Mosquitoes 305 Sqdn. attacked constructional works at Herbquville with 8 X 500 MC 11 secs. bombs from 500 feet at 1703 hrs. heading 085 degs. 070 degs. Results unobserved but "Q" reported undamaged.

WEATHER:-

2/10ths cloud 6,000 feet. Vis. good.

PHOOGRAPHS.

Taken by 1 A/C 487 Sqdn. and 1 A/C 305 Sqdn.

FLAK:-

8 D/6-060640 moderate light flak 1659 hrs. Tracer from North of target area. Light flak area Greuville 8 D/6-0985750-1704 hours. Tracer near St.Pierre Le Vieux 8 D/6-070610-1705 hours.

TARGET:- LES HAYONS.	SQDN. 464	305.
DETAILED.	2	2.
TOOK OFF.	2	2.
PRIMARY.	2	2.

PRIMARY:- Two Mosquitoes 464 Sqdn. attacked constructional works at Les Hayons with 8 X 500 M.C. 11 secs. bombs from 1,000-200 feet. At 1615 hours heading 345 degs -030 degs. "Q" appeared to have hold through two walls. Photos show 50 yards undershoots and 20 yards overshoots.

OBSERVATIONS:-

Two miles N.W. Ricarville M3455-1620 hrs. about 50 civilians working on hill spur which appeared dug in terraces about 25 feet wide. Approx. 4-5 terraces completed.

P.T.O.

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PRIMARY:-

Two Mosquitoes 305 Sqdn. attacked constructional works at Les Hayons with 8 X 500 MC. - 11 Secs. bombs from 250-300 feet at 1715 hrs. heading 001 degs.-240 degs. Bursts observed believed target area. "Q" appeared undamaged.

CAMOUFLAGE.

"Q" Thought to have thatched roof, walls painted green and yellow.

WEATHER:-

4/10ths cloud 5,000 feet. Vis. good. No E/A. No flak. Photographs one A/C 464 Sqdn.

RANGER PATROL:-

SQDN.	613.
Took off.	1.
Detailed.	1.

TIME. UP 1456.
TIME DOWN. 1801.

One Mosquito 613 Sqdn. patrolled area South of Caen-Laval Lemans. Two lorries and two staff cars were attacked, strikes observed.

R. 2258/13th March, 1944.

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25A

SECRET 317/8

C. IN C. OPS. I
A.M.C., A.D.G.B. INT. 4/5
W.R.(S.A.S.O.)/.A.D.G.B. M.I.L.O.
A.M.L.O. C.R.S.(2)
S.P.R.O. A.E.A.F.(W.R. INT.)
C.I.O. OPS. 7 (A.E.A.F.)
D.R.O./.W.C.NAV. C.O.R.C.
D.G.C. A.I.3(C)(I)A.M.
W/C TACTICS./.A.D.G.B. 9 GROUP
W/C TACTICS./.A.E.A.F/ S/LDR TART.
KESTRAL GROVE.

FROM: H.Q. 2 GROUP
AI/162 8th March, 1944.

2 GROUP SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS DAWN/DUSK 8th MARCH, 1944.

TARGET: HAMBURES.

SQDN.	487	464
DETAILED	2	2
TOOK OFF	2	2
PRIMARY	2	2

Time up 1248 down 1417 Time up 1307 down 1442/3.

PRIMARY:- 2 Mosquitoes 487 Sqdn. attacked constructional works at Hambures with 6 X 500 M.C. 11 secs. and 2 X 500 MC long delay bombs from 400 ft. at 1335 hrs. heading 340 degs. results unobserved "Q" appeared to have light green camouflage with flat roof. One A/C landed Hawkinge 1408 hrs. owing to damage believed due to bomb blast. A/C category A.C.

PHOTOGRAPHS:- Taken by 1 A/C.

PRIMARY :- " Mosquitoes 460 Sqdn. attacked with 6 X 500 M.C. 11 secs. and 2 X 500 M.C. long delay bombs from 100/1,000 ft. at 1355 hrs. headings 340 degs/360 degs. On second run over target bursts seen between "Q" R1 and R2.

PHOTOGRAPHS:- Taken by 1 A/C.

WEATHER:- No cloud, visibility 30 miles

FLAK:- Light flak from target. Light 3 gun position 9 D/6 495586 attacked by 1 A/C 487 Sqdn. strikes seen. Short bursts tracer from position 9D/6 530598.

TARGET:- YVRENCH/CONTEVILLE.

SQDN.	21
DETAILED	6
TOOK OFF	6
PRIMARY	6

Time up: 1323/24 d wn 1534/37.

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SECRET -2-

PRIMARY:- 6 Mosquitoes 21 Sqdn. with 2 Mosquitoes of 8 Group carrying blind bombing aids attacked construction works at Yvrench/Conteville with 32 X 500 M.C. .025 bombs from 20,000 ft. at 1158 hrs. heading 086 degs. Results unobserved fighter cover was provided.
WEATHER:- No cloud, visibility unlimited.
FLAK:- 3/4 burst heavy from Abbeville/Drucat A/F 1456 hrs. 20,000 ft. accurate for height 2 bursts heavy well behind and above formation on recrossing enemy coast Le Touquet 1500 1/2 hrs. 17,000 ft.
OBSERVATION:- St. Germaine 8 B/6 308585 1500 hrs. 17,000 ft. large fire burning giving out white smoke.
R. 08/2000 March, 1944

24A

SECRET.
D.G.C.
D.R.O.
S.P.R.O.
A.E.A.F.(W.R.INT.)
9 GROUP

S/L. TART
W.R.(S.A.S.O.)(A.D.G.B.)
A.M.L.O.
M.I.L.O.
D.I.O.

NO. 2 GROUP FLASH REPORT RECD. BY 'PHONE 1750 HRS.
8th MARCH, 1944.

2 Group Low Level Attack.

2 Mosquitoes of 487 Sqdn. up from Hunsdon 1248 hrs. down 1417 hrs. attacked 11/A/64 dropping 6 X 500 11 secs. bombs and 2 X 500 L.D. bombs from 400 ft. Results unobserved. 1 Mosquito Cat.B. D.3. (Bomb blast.)

2 Mosquitoes of 464 Sqdn. up from Hunsdon 1307 hrs. down 1443 hrs. attacked 11/A/64, dropping 6 X 500 11 sec. and 2 X 500 L.D. bombs from 100/1,000 ft. Bursts were seen between Q, R.1 and R.2.

2 Group Ramrod 639.

6 Mosquitoes of 21 Sqdn. up from Hunsdon, and 2 Mosquitoes of 8 Group up from Marham 1323 hrs. down 1537 hrs. attacked 11/A/16, dropping 32 X 500 .025 bombs from 20,000 ft. Results unobserved. No casualties.

8th March, 1944.

AUSTRALIAN WAR MEMORIAL AWM2020.18.371

ENCLOSURE 23A

SECRET. 112/8.

C. IN C.
A.M.C.A.D.G.B.
O.R.O(OPS.7)A.E.A.F.
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TRAINING.3.
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S/L. Tart.
C.T.O.

FROM HQ.NO. 2 GROUP.
AI. 180 7th/8th March,1944.

INTRUDER COMPOSITE REPORT.

A. 464 RAAF. Squadron.
B. F/O Crofts. F/O Landucci. 4 X 500 lb. M.C.T.D.025.
C. 2153/2215. D. Laon/Athies.
E.F.G.
GENERAL:- Abandoned task at Gravesend due to VHF failure. R. 0614/8th March,1944.

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[redacted] 22A

SECRET.

D.G.G.
D.R.O.
S.P.R.O.
A.E.A.F. (W.R.INT.)
9 GROUP

S/L. TART
W.R.(S.A.S.O.)(A.D.G.B.)
A.M.L.O.
M.I.L.O.
D.I.O.
POLISH L.O.

NO. 2 GROUP FLASH REPORT RECD. BY 'PHONE 2155 HRS.
7th MARCH, 1944.

Ramrod 635.

2 Mosquitoes of 21 Sqdn. took off from Hunsdon 1418 hrs. down ~~xxx~~ 1650 hrs. and attacked 11/A/64. 6 X 500 lbs. bombs were dropped from 200-600 ft. 2 hung up. Results: Some bursts near Q.

2 Mosquitoes of 487 Sqdns. took off from Hunsdon 1418 hrs. down 1650 hrs. and attacked 11/A/108 dropping 8 X 500 lbs. bombs from 30-200 ft. Mainly undershoots.

2 Mosquitoes of 305 Sqdnmx took off from Lesham 1428 hrs. down 1653 hrs. and attacked 11/A/42, dropping 8 X 500 lbs. bombs from 50 to 500 ft. The target appeared heavily damaged.

2 Mosquitoes of 464 Sqdn. up 1450 hrs. from Hunsdon, down 1650 hrs. attacked 11/A/124, dropping 8 X 500 lbs. bombs from 50 ft. Q demolished except for N.W. corner.

2 Mosquitoes of 21 Sqdn. took off from Hunsdon 1508 hrs. down 1632 hrs. and attacked 11/A/64, dropping 8 X 500 lbs. bombs from 200-600 ft. Bombs in target area.

2 Mosquitoes ~~xxxxxxx~~ of 487 Sqdn. took off from Hunsdon 1506 hrs. down 1635 hrs. and attacked 11/A/108, dropping 8 X 500 lbs. bombs from 30-200 ft. Bombs in target area.

2 Mosquitoes of 305 Sqdn. took off from Lesham 1428 hrs. down 1605 hrs. and attacked 11/A/124, dropping 8 X 500 lbs. bombs from 50 to 500 ft. Bombs near Q and R.

2 Mosquitoes of 305 Sqdn. took off from Lesham 1515 hrs. down 1639 hrs. and attacked 11/A/42, dropping 8 X 500 lbs. bombs from 50-500 ft. Hits on Q and R.

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Ramrod 636.

12 Mitchells of 320 Sqdn. took off from Dunsfold and 6 Mitchells of 226 Sqdn. took off from Hartford Bridge 1615 hrs. down 1750 hrs. to attack 11/A/36. Abortive - weather. 10/10 cloud.

6 Mitchells of 98 Sqdn. and 12 Mitchells of 180 Sqdn. took off from Dunsfold 1620 hrs. down 1840 hrs. to attack 11/A/38. 6 A/C of 98 Sqdn. attacked 11/A/36. 32 X 500 and 16 X 500 L.D. bombs were dropped from 11,500 ft. Results unobserved. 12 A/C of 180 Sqdn. abandoned task due to weather.

6 Bostons of 342 Sqdn. and 6 Bostons of 88 Sqdn. took off from Hartford Bridge 1621 hrs. down 1804 hrs. to attack 11/A/37B. 6 A/C of 88 Sqdn. attacked the target dropping 16 X 500 and 8 X 500 L.D. bombs from 10,700 ft. Results unobserved. 6 Bostons of 342 Sqdn. abandoned task due to weather.

7th March, 1944.

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ENCLOSURE

21A

SECRET.
D.G.C.
H.Q.T.A.F.
D.R.O.
S.P.R.O.
A.E.A.F.(W.R.INT.)
~~xxxxxxx~~

S/L. TART.
W.R.(S.A.S.O.)(A.D.G.B.)
A.M.L.O.
M.I.L.O.
9 GROUP
D.I.O.
POLISH L.O.

NO. 2 GROUP FLASH REPORT RECD. BY 'PHONE 1550 HRS. 6th MARCH.44.

Unescorted Attack.

1st Attack.
2 Mosquitoes of 487 Sqdn. from Hunsdon. Up 1104 hrs. down 1235 hrs. attacked 11/A/64, dropping 8 X 500 11 sec. bombs. Result - stick of bombs across target near R2 and P.

2nd Attack.
2 Mosquitoes of 487 Sqdn. from Hunsdon. Up 1104 hrs. down 1247 hrs. attacked 11/A/115, dropping 8 X 500 11 sec. bombs. Result - destroyed S.E. corner of 'Q'.

3rd Attack.
2 Mosquitoes of 305 Sqdn. from Lasham. Up 1117 hrs. down 1306 hrs. attacked 11/A/42, dropping 8 X 500 11 sec. bombs. Result - believed bombs placed accurately. Also attacked 'Q' with cannon.

4th Attack.
2 Mosquitoes of 305 Sqdn. from Lasham. Up 1116 hrs. down 1242 hrs. attacked 11/A/124 dropping 8 X 500 lb. 11 secs. bombs. Result - believed hits on 'Q'. Also 'Q' attacked with cannon.

5th and 6th Attacks.
2 Mosquitoes of 464 Sqdn. and 2 Mosquitoes of 487 Sqdn. both from Hunsdon. Up 1104 hrs. down 1123 and 1235 hrs. respectively, despatched to attack 11/A/108 and 11/A/60 - both operations abortive.

6th March, 1944.

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20A

SECRET. 44/7.

C. IN C.	INT. 4/5.
A.M.C.A.D.G.B.	O.R.S.
O.R.O(OPS.7)A.E.A.F.	INT.3A.
A.E.A.F.(INT.W.R.).	A.MW.R.(DRLS).
A.M.L.O.	A.M.OPS.A.D.2.).
C.I.O.	A.M.D.F.OPS(DRLS).
D.R.O.	D.A.W.T.(DRLS).
G.O.C./W.C.NAV.	TRAINING.3.
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S.P.R.O.	Chief.Arm.Officer.
Y.SERVICE.	S/Ldr.Tart.
Sigs. 1.	I./.CO./C.I.U.

FROM NO. 2 GROUP.
AI.79. 6th March,1944.
COMPOSITE INTRUDER REPORT. 6/7/3/44.

A. 464 (RAAF). Sqdn. B. Mosquito VI F/O Binne W/O.Fleming. (Can). 4 X 500 MC. T.D. 025. C.1930-2202.D. Venlo. E. Patrolled 2040-20. 52 bombs brought back. GENERAL:- A/F not identified although Venlo town pinpointed so carried out patrol considerably snow hampered identification slight flak from Eindhoven. Weather:- No cloud. Vis. 10 miles.R.0140.

44/7.

FROM HQ.NO. 2 Group.
AI. 76 6/7/3/44.
COMPOSITE INTRUDER REPORT.
A. 487 (NZ). SQDN.
B. Mosquito VI W/O Ward (NZ). F/S Read 4 X 500 MC. TD. 025. C. 1932-1945. D. Leeuwarden E.Bombs brought back. General:- Task abandoned Castale Comps 1932 2000 due to intercom and VHF V/S.R.055/7th March.

45/7.

FROM 2 Group.
AI. 77 6/7/3/44.

COMPOSITE INTRUDER REPORT.

FROM

SECRET. 45/7 continued.

A. 487 (NZ). Sqdn.
B. Mosquito Vi P/O Sparks (NZ). P/O Dunlop
4 X 500 MC. TD. 025 C.1924-2224.
D. Deelen. E. Patrolled. 2041-2108.
GENERAL:-

Bright green beacon seen flashing Heusden continued to target which was identified in moonlight patrolled to NW of A/F. Dummy illuminated no activity at A/F. After 14 mins. returned to A/F and attacked eastern intersection 38/L's exposed but not illuminated. Considerable tracer and bofors from Northern side of A/F Haamstede dummy alight. Weather - No cloud. Vis. 10 miles. R.0146/7th March, 1944.

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ENCLOSURE

19A

SECRET. 37/7.

C. IN C.
A.M.C.A.D.G.B.
O.R.O OPS. 7 A.E.A.F.
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A.M.D.F.OPS)(DRLS).
TRAINING.3.
D.A.W.T.(DRLS).
2 copies 9 Group.
D.G.C./W.G.NAV.
Chief.Arm.Officer.

FROM HQ.NO. 2 GROUP.
A. [illegible] 6th March,1944.
COMPOSITE INTRUDER REPORT.
A. 464 (RAAF). Sqdn.
B. Mosquito VI S/L McFee F/Lt. Atkins.
4 X 500 MC. T.D.025.
C.1920-2210.
D. Twente Entschede.
E. Patrolled area. 2045. 2052 bombs brought back.
GENERAL:-
2 miles Sohth of Egmond appeared large hangar not blacked out. No activity in target area. A/F. not identified patrolled nothing seen. Weather:- No cloud. Vis. 405 miles. Slight haze. R. 0130/7.

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18A.

C

C.IN.C.
A.M.C. A.D.G.B.
C.R.D. (OPS.7)(A.E.A.F.)
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OPS. 7 (A.E.A.F.)
CHIEF ARM.OFF.
I.W.O./C.I.U.
S/LDR. TART.

SECRET.

FROM 140 AIRFIELD
AI 71 2/3rd MARCH, 1944.

136/3.

INTRUDER COMPOSITE REPORT.

(A) 464 RAAF Sqdn. (B) F/O. Binnie W/O. Fleming 4 X 500 Mex lb. MC TD.025 (C) 1938/2132 (D) Montdidier (E) 2031 (F) (G)
GENERAL: Out over Beachy Head. Vis. 3/5 miles 2001 hrs. 1500 ft. Ault pinpointed and crossed 4000/2500 ft. Target located by position town. Runways seen. Bombed intersection of runways at 2031 from 3000 ft. heading 300. No results seen. No flak until small amount from Chepy area (M 6582) 2047 hrs. 3500 ft. One searchlight ineffective in Somme Estuary area 2050 hrs.
WEATHER: Good. vis.good. No cloud. 8/10 at 5000 ft. over coast.

TOR 062503.March, 1944.

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ENCLOSURE 17A

SECRET. 19/4.

C. IN C.
A.M.C.A.D.G.B.
O.R.O(OPS.7 A.E.A.F.).
D.G./C.W.C.NAV.
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TRAINING.3.
2 copies 9 Group.
S/Ldr.Tart.
C.T.O.

FROM HQ.NO. 2 GROUP.
LASH HQ.
AI. 78 3/4/March.1944.
COMPOSITE INTRUDER REPORT.

A. 464 (RAAF) Sqdn.
B. Mosquito VI P/O Orris W/O Macintosh 4 X 500 MC.
TD. 11 secs.
C. 1930-2059.
D. Eindhoven.
E. Bombs brought back.
F.G.
GENERAL:-
Task abandoned posn. 5200N 0310E due to Gee U/S and snow showers at 2013 500'.

R. 0147/4th March,1944.

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ENCLOSURE 16A

C.IN.C.
A.M.C. A.D.G.B.
O.R.O.(OPS.7) A.E.A.F.
D.G.C./W.C.NAV.
A.M.L.O.
C.I.O.
D.R.O.
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"Y" SERVICE
INT.4/5

O.R.S.
INT.3A.
A.M.W.R.(D.R.L.S.)
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OPS.7 (A.E.A.F.)
S/L. TART
CHIEF ARM.OFF.

FROM 140 WING A/F THI
AI69 1st/2nd MARCH, 1944.

SECRET.

38/2.

COMPOSITE INTRUDER REPORT.

(A) 464 (RAAF Sqdn.) (B) Mosquito VI F/O. Monaghen F/O. Dean 4 X 500 MC TD 025 (C) 2235 0055 (D) Venlo (E) Bombs brought back (F) (G)
GENERAL; Task abandoned Eindhoven area 2337 due to low cloud below 1000'.

TOR 041502.March, 1944.

37/2.

FROM 140 WING A/F THI
AI 68 1/2nd MARCH, 1944.

COMPOSITE INTRUDER REPORT.

(A) 464 (RAAF) Sqdn. (B) Mosquito VI S/L. Sugden F/O. Bridger 4 X 500 MC TD 025 (C) 2245-0020 (D) Gilze Rijen (E) Bombs brought back (F) (G)
GENERAL: Task abandoned 2334 enemy coast due to Gee trouble and failure to pinpoint. 1 A/C seen with nav. light 1000' steering 150/degrees in mid-North sea 2320. Weather enemy coast broken cloud. Vis. good.

TOR 041502.March, 1944.

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SECRET

C. IN C.
A.M.C., A.D.G.B.
W.R.(S.A.S.O.)/.A.D.G.B.
A.M.L.O.
S.P.R.O.
C.I.O.
D.R.O./.W.C. NAV.
D.G.C.
W/C TACTICS./.A.D.G.B.
W/C TACTICS./.A.E.A.F/
KESTRAL GROVE.
POLISH L.O.

OPS. I
INT. 4/5
M.I.L.O.
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O.R.S.(2)
A.E.A.F.(W.R. INT.)
OPS. 7 (A.E.A.F.)
C.O.P.C.
A.I.3(C)(I)A.M.
9 GROUP
A.F.L.3.
I.W.O./C.I.U.

FROM: H.Q. 2 GROUP
AI/137 29th Feb., 1944.

No.2 GROUP SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS DAWN/DUSK 29th FEB.,1944.

TARGET:- Constructional works at Belleville-en-Caux.

SQDN.	613	305	21	464
DETAILED	6	2	6	6
TOOK OFF	6	2	6	6
PRIMARY		1	2	-
ALTERNATIVE-		-	2	-
ABORTIVE	-	1	1	5
MISSING.	-	-	1	1

MISSING A/C AND CREW:- U of 21 F/O Offler pilot P/O Mango Obs. D. of 464 F/O Timson, Pilot Sgt. Edwards Observer.
Time up 0945 hrs. Time down 1139 hrs.

PRIMARY:- 9 Mosquito VI A/C six from 613, one from 305, and two from 21 Sqdn. attacked the constructional works at Belleville-en-Caux between 1030½ and 1044½ hrs. from 50 ft. to 600 ft. heading 030 to 005 degs. with 36 X 500 M.C.T.D. 11 secs. Bombs. The majority of the bombs are believed to have fallen in the target area and photographs show that the square building has been demolished. The destruction of this, building, however, was very possibly causedby a previous raid.

ALTERNATIVE:- 2 A/C of 21 Sqdn. unable to locate the primary target attacked an unidentified alternati e between 1042½ and 1944½ from 200 ft. to 600 ft. with 8 X 500 lb M.C.T.D. 11 sec. bombs. Results unobserved.

ABORTIVE:- 1 A/C of 305 Sqdn. abandoned the task at Caudebec-en-Caux, 1 25 hrs. 2,500 ft. The Pilot (Polish) misunderstood an order given by leader and lost formation in cloud.
2 A/C of 464 Sqdn. abandoned task in the Yvetot area at 1036 hrs. and 3 A/C of 464 and one of 21 Sqdn. abandoned task at 1044 in target area, dut to adverse weather conditions.

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All A/C returned with bombs.

MISSING

1 of 464 Sqdn. 1034 hrs. Last seen climbing into cloud after crossing enemy coast in. He did not reply to leader's call. 1 A/C of 21 Sqdn. last seen by A/C F of 21 Sqdn. after crossing target area flying into a snowstorm at 3,000 ft. He called up F and told him to break away and go on his own. He then dived down into cloud and was not seen again. A/C F then climbed to 8,000 ft. or 9,000 ft. over cloud.

FLAK

Few bursts, heavy, when crossing enemy coast in from Le Treport area 1037 hrs. 10,000 ft. Actual position uncertain. Few bursts, heavy, accurate for height, on crossing enemy coast out from Tocqueville area 1044 hrs. 6,000 ft., actual position uncertain. Light and heavy in Dieppe area 1040 to 1041 hrs., 50 ft. to 700 ft.

WEATHER

Heavy snow squalls commencing 4 to 5 miles inland from Fecamp area and continuing to about 10 miles out to sea. 10/10 cloud base, (in places) 0 ft. Tops (in places) 7,000 ft. to 8,000 ft. Visibility 2 miles, deteriorating to 800 yds. in snow storms. Bad icing conditions in storms. Photographs were taken.

REMARKS

Target area 1030½ hrs., 50 ft. figures seen to run from N.W. edge of target area and take cover in crater in adjoining field. Position M.2048, 1040 hrs., 1500 ft. Aldis ground signal flashing green - a long flash followed by a series of short flashes.

Longueville; 9E/1/238536 - considerable entrenchments and possible gun positions.

TARGET:- CONSTRUCTIONAL WORKS AT BONNIERES.

SQDN.	98	180
DETAILED	6	12
TOOK OFF	6	12
ALTERNATIVE	-	10
ABORTIVE	6	2

CASUALTIE 5 of 98 - F/O Beal recd. flak injuries to foot. Time up 0954. Time down 1214.

ALTERNATIVE

1 bos of 5 Mitchell 11A/C of 180 Sqdn. (out of a formation 18 A/C) attacked, what was believed to be constructional works at Bonnieres, at 1054 hrs. from 11,500 ft.

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KESTRAL GROVE.

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OPS.
INT. 4/5
M.I.L.O.
O.R.S.(2)
A.E.A.F.(W.R. INT.)
OPS. 7 (A.E.A.F.)
C.O.P.C.
A.I.3(C)(I)A.M.
9 GROUP
POLISH L.O.
D.A.F.L.(A.E.E.S)

I.W.O./C.I.U.
FROM: H.Q. 2 GROUP INT.
AI/134

NO.2 GROUP SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS DAWN/DUSK28th FEB.,1944.

TARGET: BEAUTOT.

SQDN.	464	613	305	21
DETAILED	6	6	2	6
TOOK OFF	6	6	2	5
PRIMARY	2	6	1	3
ABORTIVE	3	-	1	2
OUTSTANDING	1	-	-	-

TIME UP 1307/1328 TIME DOWN 1458/1509.

PRIMARY:- 12 Mosquitoes, 3 of 21, 2 of 464 and 6 of 613 and 1 of 305 Sqdn. attacked constructional works at Beautot, with 48 X 500 M.C. 11 secs. Bombs from 100/1,000 ft. at 1403/1417 hrs. heading 020/340 degs. Strikes adjacent to "Q" building confirmed by photos. 2 A/C reported S.W. side of Q building completely destroyed, but damouflaged roof still appeared intact. Some bombs overshot into open ground N.W. of target area. WEATHER:- 5/10ths cloud 5,000 ft. Hazy vis. 2 miles. Photos taken by 4 A/C.

ABORTIVE:- 1 A/C of 21 Sqdn. attacked wood with 4 X 500 MC 11 secs. Bombs in Yerville area in mistake for target. One A/C of 21 Sqdn. and 3 A/C of 464 Sqdn. unable to identify target brought all bombs back. One A/C of 305 Sqdn. observed tgt. too late owing to haze and returned with bombs.

FLAK:- Intense light accurate from 5 gun position Ourcart. L.8537, 1358 hrs. Light gun firing St.Genevieve 9E/1 183443. SAA fire road/rail crossing M.1836. Slight 22 MM fire St. Helene. Armoured car attacked with cannon on raod M.1949 1413 hrs. Strikes observed. Tracer from Pavilly 1412 hrs. Light flak and tracer S. of Dieppe Map Ref: 8 E/4 195299 1421 hrs.

OBSERVATIONS:- Position 15 miles S.S.E. Littlehampton, 1347 hrs., red/yellow object, possibly dinghy, carrying dark triangular flag.

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REPORT OUTSTANDING:- One A/C of 464 Sqdn. damage to rudder by flak. Crew safely baled out near Merston.

TARGET:	LE GROSEILLIER.	
SQDN.	320	226
DETAILED	12	6
TOOK OFF	12	6
PRIMARY	10	5/6
ABORTIVE	2	-

TIME UP 1302/1310 TIME DOWN 1450/1455.

PRIMARY:- 16 Mitchells, 10 of 320 and 6 of 226 Sqdns., attacked constructional works at Le Groseillier, with 105 X 500 MC .025 and 16 X 500 MC. Long delay bombs from 8,700/9,500 ft. at 1406/7 hrs. headings 040/050 degs. Bombs believed to have burstn S.E. and about 300 yds. E. of tgt. area. 7 bombs of 1 A/C of 320 Sqdn. hung up and were brought back.

WEATHER:- Fine, hazy, vis. 3/8 miles. Photos taken by 5 A/C.

ABORTIVE:- 1 A/C of 320 Sqdn. dropped 8 X 500 long delay bombs safe in tgt. area owing to manipulation fault. 1 A/C of 320 Sqdn. returned early owing to petrol shortage and landed at Hawkinge. No flak. No E/A.

TARGET:	BOIS DE LA JUSTICE	
SQDN.	88	342
DETAILED	6	6
TOOK OFF	6	6
PRIMARY	6	5
ABORTIVE	-	1

TIME UP : 1320/1322 TIME DOWN 1456 /1505.

PRIMARY:- 11 Bostons 6 of 88 and 5 of 342 Sqdns., attacked constructional works at Bois de la Justice with 32 X 500 MC .025 and 12 X 500 MC long delay bombs. from 10,000/10,500 ft. at 1414/1416 hrs. heading 090 degs. Bombs believed to have burst in N.E. and N.W. corners of target wood.

WEATHER:- Fine, no cloud, visibility 10 miles. Photographs taken by 5 A/C.

ABORTIVE:- 1 A/C of 342 Sqdn. had 4 X 500 lb bombs hung up and were brought back.

FLAK:- Moderate, heavy, accurate in target area, 3 A/C of 342 Sqdn. recd. minor damage, one pilot being slightly wounded. No E/A. One A/C of 342 Sqdn. hit by flak after bombing, landed at Manston on one engine. A/C was accompanied as far as Hawkinge by 8 Typhoons.

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Target: Belleville-en-Caux.

Sqdn.	464	613	305
Detailed	6	6	2
Took off	6	6	2
Primary	4	6	-
Abortive	2	6	2

Time up 1132/45 hrs. time down 1315/1408 hrs.
PRIMARY: 10 Mosquitoes, 4 of 464 and 6 of 613 Sqdns. attacked constructional works at Belleville - 3, - Caux, with 40 X 500 MC 11 secs. bombs from 50/1,000 ft. at 1230/1239 hrs. heading. 010/340 degs. Two bursts believed in vicinity of R.1 and R2. with bursts to left of "Q". Some over and undershoots camouflage on roof of "Q" appeared damaged.
Weather: 3/10 cloud, 1,200 ft. vis. 6/10 miles.
Photographs taken by 2 A/C.
ABORTIVE: 2 A/C of 464 Sqdn. failed to identify target but attacked wood 500 yds. to N. with 8 X 500 MC 11 secs. bombs. One A/C of 305 Sqdn. abandoned task over base due to tearing of fabric on leading edge of port wing. One A/C 305 Sqdn. being unable to keep up with formation turned back when 12 miles S.E. Littlehampton.
Flak: Slight light inaccurate Eletot 1224 hrs. No E/A.

TOR 025026.February, 1944.

62/26.

FROM 2 GROUP
AI 125 25th FEB.1944.

NO. 2 GROUP SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS DAWN/DUSK
25th FEB.1944.

PART II.

Target: Ecalles-sur-Buchy.

Sqdn.	88	342
Detailed	6	6
Took off	6	6
Primary	6	-
Alternative	-	5
Abandoned	-	1

Time up 1655/40 hrs. Time down 1817/30 hrs.
PRIMARY: 6 Bostons attacked target at 1730 hrs., from 6,700 ft. heading 150 degs. with 20 X 500 MC TD. 025 and 4 X 500 MC 6 hrs. delay. Identification of target was made difficult owing to the

ground being snow-covered. Bombs are believed to have overshot, and burst across the inter-Section of the road and ~~xxxx~~ railway on the S. edge of the target wood and in the fields to the S.
Weather: fine 5/10 cloud over target at 4,000 ft. Vis. 10 miles. Photographs were taken by 3 A/C of 88 Sqdn.
ALTERNATIVE: 5 A/C of 342 Sqdn. attacked alternative target Grand Parc, as they could not identify primary target in time. They dropped 16 X 500 MC. TD. 025 and 4 X 500 MC ~~xx~~ 6 hrs. delay at 1730 hrs. from 7,000 ft. heading 180 degs. Bombs believed to have fallen in S. of the target area. Some overshoots in fields to S.
FLAK: Moderate ~~MX~~ H F experienced in area of Cailly-en-Bellencombre. No E/A. 2 A/C of 342 Sqdn. took photographs.
ABANDONED: One A/C of 342 Sqdn. abandoned take in position 50.30N. 0020E. at 1710 hrs. at 1,500 ft. owing to V H F. trouble. 4 X 500 MC 6 hrs. delay bombs jettisoned safe in sea posn. 5034N. 0017E. at 1712 hrs. from 1,200 ft.

Target	Beautot
Sqdn.	464 21
Detailed	6 2
~~xxxxxx~~	
Took off	6 2
Primary	6 2

~~xxx~~ Time up 1628/35 hrs. Time down 1805/16 hrs.
PRIMARY: 8 Mosquitoes attacked constructional works at Beautot at 1723/30 hrs. from 200/1,200 ft. heading 030/045 degs. dropping 32 X 500 MC. TD. 11 secs. It is believed that bombs overshot the target. Last A/C over target reported "Q" building to be still intact.
FLAK; No flak from target, but small arms fire from N.W. of target (reported by one A/C) considerable H F bursting over St. Hellier from M2947. Accurate for height.
4/5,000 ft. No E/A. 2 A/C ~~xxxxxx~~ of 464 and one of 21 Sqdns. ~~xx~~ took photographs. One A/C of 464 Sqdn. slightly damaged by bird.
WEATHER: 7-8/10 cloud, base 2,000 ft. tops 3,500 ft. on way in. Fine over target area. Vis. 15/20 miles.
OTHER OBSERVATIONS: A submarine periscope was seen travelling up the Channel at 1733 1/2 hrs. 3/5,000 ft. 5 miles off Biville heading 320 degs.

TOR 011026.February, 1944.

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SECRET 284.

C. IN C.
A.MC., A.D.G.B.
W.R.(S.A.S.O.)/.A.D.G.B.
A.M.L.O.
S.P.R.O.
C.I.O.
D.RO./.W.C. NAV.
D.G.C.
W/C TACTICS./.A.D.G.B.
W/C TACTICS./.A.E.A.F/
KESTRAL GROVE.

OPS. I
INT. 4/5
M.I.L.O.
O.R.S.(2)
A.E.A.F.(W.R. INT.)
OPS. 7 (A.E.A.F.)
C.O.P.C.
A.I.3(C)(I) A.M.
9 GROUP
A .M.A.D. OF OPS.(S.O.)
C.T.O.

FROM: H.Q. 2 GROUP
AI/111 22nd Feb., 1944.

NO.2 GROUP SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS DAWN/DUSK 22nd FEB., 1944.

TARGET: CONSTRUCTIONAL WORKS AT CHATEAU DE BOSMELET.

SQDNS.	464	21	613
DETAILED	6	2	6
TOOK OFF	6	2	6
PRIMARY	5	2	6
ABANDONED.	1	-	-

TIME UP 1004/1024 hrs. Time down 1148/1200.

PRIMARY:- 13 Mosquito VI A/C (5 from 464, 2 from 21 and 6 from 613 Sqdn.) attacked constructional works at Chateau de Bosmelet between 1100 and 1108 from 500 ft., to 50 ft. heading 250 to 350 degs. with 50 X 500 lb MK MK IV TD 11 secs. bombs. Results are believed to have been satisfactory, bursts being reported near the square and large rectangular building. One A/C used cannon in target area.

FLAK:- Few bursts of heavy flak over target. Black puffs at about 4,000 ft. Over St. Pierre on approach to target. Light flak from position S. of Torcy (303506) and S. of Longueville (230540))

ABANDONED:- One A/C of 464 Sqdn. abandoned at Tocqueville 1055 hrs. owing to engine failure, V wing bombs jettisoned in sea, ventral bombs brought back.

WEATHER:- Fine over France, some cloud at 8,000 ft. Vis.7/10 ml

OTHER OBSERVATIONS:- One A/C shot up what appeared to be two flak towers (8E/2 145420, 1109, 200 ft.) An explosion with black smoke was seen from one of the towers. Another A/C shot up a military lorry (9E/1 185445, 1109 200 ft.) one strikes being observed. R. 22/1900 Feb., 1944

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NOTED. INT. 2

SECRET 173.

C. IN C.
A.M.C., A.D.G.B.
W.R.(S.A.S.O./.A.D.G.B.
A.M.L.O.
S.P.R.O.
C.I.O.
D.R.O./.W.C NAV.
D.G.C..
W/C TACTICS./.A.D.G.B.
W/C TACTICS/A.E.A.F./
KESTRAL GROVE.

OPS. I
INT. 4/5
M.I.L.O.
O.R.S.+(2)
A.E.A.F.(W.R. INT,)
OPS. 7 (A.E.A.F.)
A.I.3(C)(I)A.M.
C.O.P.C.
9 GROUP

FROM: H.Q. 2 GROUP
AI/104 21st Feb., 1944.

NO.2 GROUP SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS DAWN/DUSK 20th FEB.,1944.

PART I

TARGET: CONSTRUCTION WORKS AT BONNETOT.

SQDNS.	464	21	613
DETAILED		2	6
TOOK OFF	6	2	6
PRIMARY	5	2	5
ABORTIVE	1	1	1

TIME UP 1035/1050 hrs. Time down 1219/1234 hrs.

PRIMARY:- Of 14 Mosquito VI A/C detailed 12 A/C 5 of 464 2 of 21 and 4 of 613 Sqdns. attacked constructional works at Bonnetot between 1130 and 1140 from 30 ft. to 500 ft heading 360 to 045 degs. with 48 X 500 M.C. TD.11 secs. bombs. Bombs of the last box appear to have fallen close to the square building, but these were not seen bursting. It is believed that the majority of the other bombs overshot. A red glow was seen in the area of the square building after the leader's attack. Photographs show near miss to small rectangular building and smoke from the roof of the square building. Two A/C used cannon in the targetarea with unobserved results. One A/C fired at a military lorry heading N.W. It was seen to burst into flames. Nobody seen. (posn. 9E/1 214495) - 1144 hrs. 50 ft.).

ABORTIVE:- One A/C of 464 Sqdn. unable to identify target, returned with all bombs, one A/C of 613 Sqdn. was hit over the enemy coast on way in (posn. 8E/1 759577 1134 hrs. 50 ft.) and returned to Ford where he crash landed. Both crew are safe A/C Cat. AC1 FLAK:- None in tgt. area. At Eletot (8E/1 759577) 1134 hrs. 50 ft. Light flak from unlocated position. Intense light flak and S.A.A. from posn.

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L.816570 1125 hrs. 50 ft. 2 X 20 MM gun reported here.
S.A.A. crossing in over coast at St. Pierre 1132½ hrs.
Zero ft. light flak somehwere between Gerpenville(L.8553)
and Thiouville (L.8845) 1125 hrs. 50 M/G fire from train
2 miles S. of Dampierre 1125 hrs. 50 ft.
WEATHER: - 8/10-10/10ths cloud 1,500 ft. to 2,000 ft.
Visibility 3/6 miles.
R. 21/0435 Feb., 1944

NOTED. INT.

C.-in-C.
V.A.(S.A.S.O.)(A.D.G.B.)
A.M.C. A.D.G.B.
A.M.L.O.
S.P.R.O.
C.I.O.
D.R.O./W.C.NAV.
D.A.C.
OPS.1.
W/C.TACTICS (A.D.G.B.)
W/C.TACTICS (A.E.A.F.)(KESTREL GROVE)
A.E.A.F.(W.R.INT.)
OPS.7 (A.E.A.F.)
INT.4
M.I.L.O.
O.R.S. (2)
C.O.P.C.
A.I.3 (C)(1) A.M.
9 GROUP
C.T.O.s
I.W.O./C.I.U.

SECRET.

220/15.

FROM 2 GROUP
AI.99 18th February, 1944.

NO. 2 GROUP SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS DAWN TO DUSK 18th FEB.1944.

TARGET: Amiens. Military Target.

Squadrons	487	464	21	F.P.U.
Detailed	6	6	6	1.
Primary	5	4	4	1.
Aborts				
Ammunition				
Abortive	1	-	2	-
Missing	-	2	-	-

Time up 1151 hrs. Time down 1300 hrs.
Three Mosquitoes of 487 Sqdn. attacked the Eastern wall at 1203 hrs. just clearing the wall on a heading 250 degs. dropping 6 X 500 MC TD 11 secs. The Leaders bombs were seen adjacent to West wall, and overshoot in fields to the North.
Two aircraft of 487 Sqdn. attacked the Northern Wall at 1203 hrs. just clearing the wall on a heading of 150 degs. with 2 X 500 MC TD 11 secs., 2 X 500 SAP 11 secs. and 4 X 500 GP 11 secs. These attacks were directed at places later reported breached, by reconnaissance aircraft. One bomb seen to hit the large building and the North side of the Eastern building was also reported hit.
Two Mosquitoes of 464 Sqdn. bombed the Eastern Wall at 1206 hrs. from 50 ft. in a heading of 150 degs. and 250 degs. with 4 X 500 SAP and 4 X 500 GP 11 sec. This Wall appeared unbreached before attack. Results unobserved.
Two Mosquitoes of 464 Sqdn. bombed the main building at 1206 hrs. from 100 ft. heading 150 degs. and 250 degs. with 4 X 500

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SAP and 4 X 500 GP 11 Sec. The North wall appeared already damaged. One aircraft was seen to bombs and has not returned. (see missing).
One Mosquito MK IV of F.P.U. circled the target three times between 1203 and 1210 from 400 to 500 ft. using a cine camera but carrying not bombs. He reported a large breach in the Eastern centre of the North wall and a hole through the wall to the East of the breach, a hole in the Northern side of the Eastern Wing ot the main building, a breach in the Northern end of the Western wall and considerable damage to extension building at West of main building, as well as damage to Western end of main building. A number of men were seen in the courtyard near the separate building, which appeared to be work shops, and 3 men running into fields from large breach in Northern Wall.
Four aircraft of 21 Sqdn. received V.H.F. messages from 'F' 464 Sqdn., and F.P.U. aircraft when between two and four miles from the target, instructing them not to bomb. Target was seen covered with smoke, they brought bombs back.
Missing: One aircraft, last seen circling target and heard giving VHF message instructions not to bomb, has not returned to base.
One Mosquito, after attacking target was seen at Fresneuville (M7960) at 1210 hrs. 50 ft. leading his formation attacked a gun position and shortly afterwards dropped to starboard and was not seen again.
Weather: Fine, wisps of cloud at 2000 ft. Vis. 4-6 miles. Of the above aircraft of 487 Sqdn. was hit by light flak near Albert, starboard Nacelle holed and starboard wheel collapsed on landing. Cat. AC. One aircraft of 21 Sqdn. landed at Ford. A/C damaged Cat. AC.
Abortive. One aircraft of 487 Sqdn. abandoned task South of Doullens 1158 hrs. 50 ft. due to port engine seizing. Jettisons bombs safe at (N0476) 1201 hrs. 50 ft. Encountered light flak South of Oisemont (M7563) at 1208 hrs. Pilot slightly wounded and aircraft damaged, cat AC. Twd aircraft of 21 Sqdn. abandoned before leaving English coast owing to technical failure.
Other Observations: Bonnville (M0878) 1208 hrs. military training ground with targets and many tank tracks visible in snow on high ground . Ahut Foret D'Eu (M5267) at North West end of wood many samll sand banks emplacements in woods resembling dumps. Soldiers fired rifles at aircraft (position M355760) 1214 hrs. 50 ft., 20 milimetre flak from pill box

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RAMROD 358

Abortive.

1 A/C of 320 Sqdn. could not keep up with formation and abandoned task at 1212 hrs. At 12,000ft. at French coast.

Target:	Constructional works at Ardrouval.
Sqdn.	464
Detailed.	6
Took off.	6
Primary.	6

Time Up: 115 hrs./1157 hrs. Time down. 1342/1354 hrs.

Primary.

6 Mosquitoes VI attacked constructional works at Ardouval from 200/1,000ft. at 1300/1305hrs. heading 070/090 degs. I.A.S. 290, with 22X500 MC. T/D II Secs. bombs (2 bombs hung up in one A/C). Difficulty was experienced in seeing buildings in the woods, accurate bombing was difficult and majority of bombs are believed to have overshot 2 or 3 strikes in wood between 'O' and R.1 and R.2. "Q" Building seen by last section to be undamaged. One A/C fired guns at M/G position. Results unobserved., 2 A/C took photographs.

Flak - Cross-fire light flak position at St.Pierre En Port and Les Petits Dalles and Les Grandes Dalles believed to 20MM 1 A/C hit in starboard engine at this place. Weather: fine No cloud. Vis. 15/20 miles.

Other observations.

Slit Trenches and Diggings for possible Gun Emplacements om RE smoke from many fires. in apparent camp arising from Foret de Nappes.

Target	Constructional works at Bonnetot.
Sqdn.	613.
Detailed.	6
Took off.	6
Abortive.	6

Time Up: 1216 hrs. Time down: 1334 hrs.

6 Mosquitoes VI detailed to attack Constructional works at Bonnetot were recalled at 1257 hrs. at 5,000ft. 1 mile S. of St.Pierre owing to absence of Fighter Escort.

Weather: Noc cloud. Vis. excellent.

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RAMROD 560

Part II.

Target:	Constructional Works at Le Mesnil Allard.	
Sqdn.	342	88
Detailed.	5	7
Took off.	5	7
Primary.	4	7
Abortive.	1	-

Time Up: 1504/1508 hrs. Time down: 1645/1652 hrs.

Primary.

11 A/C attacked target at 1600 hrs. from 7,000/7,3000ft. heading 136degs. with 36X500 MC. T/D .024, 4X500 6hr. delay and 4X500 12hrs. delay. The majority of bursts were across the aiming point with some under and overshoots, flak: A little inaccurate light and heavy flak was encountered from Dieppe area and also target area 1 A/C of 342 Sqdn. received minor damage. Weather: Fine. No cloud. Slight haze. Vis. excellent. 5 A/C took photographs.

Abortive. - 1 A/C of 342 Sqdn. had 4X500 bombs hung up, andbrought back to base.

Target:	Constructional works at Mailly-la-Campagne.	
Sqdn.	09	180
Detailed.	12	12
Took off.	12	12
Primary.	12	11
Abortive.	-	1

Time Up: 1511 hrs. Time down: 1654 hrs.

Primary. - 23 Mitchells II attacked the target at 1552 hrs. from 5,000/6,000ft. heading 140/150 degs. M. I.A.S. 200, with84X500 MC. T/D .025. Good concentration in target area running from N.W. to S.E. mfx and some S.E. of target. Target damage confirmed by photographs. No flak. Weather: Vis. 10/15 miles. No cloud. 8 A/C took photographs.

Abortive. - 1 A/C of 180 Sqdn. abandoned task on initials circuit after take off owing to fuze box in mid upper turret burning out.

Note: - There were no E/A encountered in any of to-day's sorties.

0939 hrs.
16th .February, 1944.

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SECRET 28

C. IN C.
A.H.C., A.D.G.B.
W.R.(S.A.S.O.)/.A.D.G.B.
A.M.L.O.
S.P.R.O.
C.I.O.
D.R.O./.W.C. NAV.
D.A.C.
W/C TACTICS./.A.D.G.B.
W/C TACTICS/A.E.A.F./
KESTRAL GROVE.

OPS. I
INT. 4/5
M.I.L.O.
O.R.S.(2)
A.E.A.F.(W.R. INT.)
OPS. 7 (A.E.A.F.)
C.O.P.C.
9 GROUP
A.I.(3)(C)(I)A.M.

RAMROD 5

FROM: H.Q. 2 GROUP
AI/82 13th Feb., 1944.

2 GROUP SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS DAWN/DUSK 12th FEB., 1944.

TARGET: CONSTRUCTIONAL WORKS AT LES PETITS MORAUX.

SQDN.	464
DETAILED	6
TOOK OFF	6
PRIMARY	5
ABOFTIVE	1

Time up 1335, time down 1528.

PRIMARY:- 5 Mosquitoes VI attacked at 1431/40 hrs. from 200/600 ft., heading 140 degs. 8 A.S. 290. with 20 X 500 MC TD 11 secs. aiming point "Q" - claimed to have been hit. debris being thrown up, which included two objects like canisters the siz e of 40 lb bombs. Roof partly blown off. No flak. No E/A. One A/C took photos. One A/C was slightly damaged by debris over target. Weather 8-10/10ths at 2,000 ft. Visibility 5/6 miles.

ABORTIVE:- 1 A/C bombs failed to release over target, and were jettisoned in sea.

REMARKS :- Pitched roof of square building made of wooden planking, north end being left open. Platform still covered by camouflage netting. Sl camouflaged green paint, appeared to be newly earthed over. No activity of any kind. Strong point at posn. 330550 on target illustration appeared unoccupied.

TARGET	CONSTRUCTIONAL WORKS AT ARDOUVAL
SQDN.	613
DETAILED	6
TOOK OFF	6
PRIMARY	5
OUTSTANDING	1 (Landed at Ford)

TIME UP 1354. Time down 1528.

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PRIMARY:- 5 Mosquito VI attacked at 1436/40 hrs. 50/500 ft. heading 280/360 degs. I.A.S. 250/290 with 20 X 500 lbs M.C. TD. 11 secs. all bombs believed in vicinity of Qm, R.1, and R.2. Considerable smoke in target area. Two A/C fired cannon at "Q" with unobserved results. One A/C took photos, which showm smoke rising from believed target area.
Weather 6-9/10ths base 1,000/1,500 ft. visibility 10 miles. Slight haze.
REMARKS :- 3 A/C used cannon ona partly camouflaged building on N.W. side of wood. Strikes observed.
1441 hrs. 400 ft. Mosquito seen vicinity of St. Saens following formation, climbing to port W. of St. Valery.
1437 hrs. 400 ft. bombing of construction works at Freval observed
1435 -1/2 hrs. 400 ft. Typhoon fuselage seen on grou d. No sign of life posn. sheet 9E1/288477.
1446 hrs. 50 ft. R.D.F. station observed approx. 3 miles E. Tocqueville.
No camouflage observed, but aiming point very difficult to see owing foliage. No activity of any kind in target area.
FLAK:- 1436 hrs. 500 ft., light flak reported from building on N.W. side ofwood.
Slight inaccurate flak from Biville-sur-Mer, posn. 9D5/359739. No E/A sighted.
R. 13/0245 Feb., 1944

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C.IN.C.
W.R.(S.A.S.O.)(A.D.G.B.)
A.M.C. A.D.G.B.
A.M.L.O.
S.P.R.O.
G.I.O.
D.R.O./W.C.NAV.
D.A.G.
OPS.1.
W/C.TACTICS (A.D.G.B.)
W/C.TACTICS (A.E.A.F.)(KESTREL GROVE)

INT.4/5
M.I.L.O.
O.R.S. (2)
A.E.A.F.(INT.W.R.)
OPS. 7 (A.E.A.F.)
AI.3(c)(1) A.M.
C.O.P.C.
9 GROUP
D.R.O.

SECRET.

309/11.

FROM 2 GROUP
AI/79 11th FEBRUARY, 1944.

NO. 2 GROUP SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS DAWN/DUSK 11th FEB.1944.

Target: Constructional works at Chateau de Bosmelet.

Squadron	613
Detailed	6
Took off	6
Primary	5
Abortive	1

Time up-1412 time down 1549

PRIMARY

5 Mosquito VI aircraft of this Squadron with fighter cover by 11 Group attacked constructional works at Chateau de Bosmelet between 1459 and 1502 from 50 ft. to 1000 ft. heading 010 degrees to 350 degrees with 20 X 500 lb. M C KK MK IV TD 11 secs. bombs. At least two sticks were seen to fall close to the square building and other bursts appeared in the vicinity. One bomb was seen to bounce into a field about 1,000 yards South West of the target area. Cannons were used by two aircraft and strikes observed on the square building. Another aircraft attacked with cannon a flak tower North ~~of~~ East of Tocqueville. (Position GSGS 4250 sheet 9D/5 364758). Strikes were observed. No photographs were taken.

ABORTIVE: One aircraft abandoned take at Littlehampton 1435 hrs. 500 ft. due to inability to locate formation and poor visibility.

WEATHER: 6-8/10 cu. base 2,500 ft. to 3,000 ft. Vis. 4-5 miles, with patches of haze.

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NO. 2 GROUP SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS DAWN/DUSK 11th FEB.1944.
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REMARKS: (1) The concrete platform appears to be either not complete or else partly damaged.

(11) Camouflage. Apparently no attempt has been made to camouflage the square building. It was, however, difficult to identify owing to the surrounding trees.

(111) Excavation in progress, probably gun position under construction. (GSGS 4250 9 D/5 364758).

Target: Constructional work at Freval.

Squadron	21	464
Detailed	6	6
Took off	4	5
Primary	4	5
Non-starters	2	1

Time up: 1410 time down 1610.

PRIMARY

Nine Mosquito VI aircraft, 4 of 21 and 5 of 464 Sqdn., with fighter cover by 11 Group, attacked constructional works at Freval between 1507 and 1514 from 200 to 1,000 ft. heading 360- 020 degrees, with 56 X 500 lbs. MC TD 11 secs. It is probable that a cluster of bombs fell near to the large and small rectangular buildings, with other bombs under shooting and falling in fields to the North and East of the target. Photographs were taken.

NON-STARTERS: Two aircraft of 21 and one of 464 Sqdn., did not take off owing to mechanical and other trouble.

DAMAGE: Two aircraft of 21 Sqdn. sustained slight damage by S.A.A.

FLAK: Very little flak experienced but one crew reported slight light flak in target area (1507 hrs. 200 ft.) light flak from area of Mirville (Position L 7537, 1459 hrs. zero ft.).

WEATHER: 4-5/10 cloud 3,000 ft. Vis. good - 6 miles.

REMARKS: (1) The concrete platform in the target area appeared almost complete. It was sited North West of the square building and extended to edge of plantation.

(11) A Military camp, with very many rectangular buildings was seen at St. Gilles-De Cretot (1505 hrs. 50 ft. position L 905305).

(111) A dog fight was seen in the area of Freullville, position M 3556 1509 hrs. at the time two ME 109s and one Spitfire were seen, the Spitfire, which was damaged, was seen going down. Nothing more seen.

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SIGNAL 37 & 24

C. IN C.
E.M.C., A.D.G.B.
W.R.(S.A.S.O.)/.A.D.G.B.
A. L.O.
S.P.R.O.
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KESTRAL GROVE.

OPS. I
INT. 4/5
M.I.L.O.
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A.E.A.F.(W.R. INT.)
OPS. 7 (A.E.A.F.)
C.O.P.C.
9 GROUP
A.I.3(C)(I)A.M.
D.A.F.L.(A.F.L.3)
AMAD OF OPS.(S.O.)

FROM: H.Q. 2 GROUP
AI/75 10th Feb., 1944.

NO.2 GROUP SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS DAWN/DUSK 9th FEBRUARY, 1944.

PART I

TARGET	CONSTRUCTIONAL WORKS AT CHATEAU de BOXMELET.		
SQDN.	613	464	21
DETAILED	4	4	3
TOOK OFF	4	4	3
PRIMARY	4	4	-
ALTERNATIVE	-	-	3

TIME UP: 0840/0847. Time down 1024/1032.

PRIMARY:- 8 Mosquito VI A/C, 4 from 613 and 4 from 464 Sqdn., attacked constructional works at Chateau de Bosmelet between 0935 and 0939 hrs. from heading 280 degs./095 degs. with 32 X 500 lb MC MK.IV TD.11 secs. Bombs. Bursts seen in the target area, with one stick of bombs falling across the target from S. W. to N.E. in the vicinity of the square building with some overshoots. Smoke was seen rising from the area round the launching point. Reports conflict as to camouflage. There appeared to be newly turned earth around the target area, but no indication of repair work in progress. Four men in blue-grey uniform were seen running to a slit trench at N.W. end of the long avenue. The square building appeared undamaged.

ALTERNATIVE:- 3 Mosquitoes VI A/C, lost contact with the main formation over the target area, and the leader being unable to identify the target, they attacked at 0943 hrs. an alternative target, at present unlocated, but believed to be a ski site, with 12 X 500 lbs MCTD.025 bombs, from 500/700 ft., on a heading of 070 degs., results unobserved.

FLAK:- Two bursts of heavy flak from Le Treport, 6,000 ft., 0944 hrs. Light flak with tracer, from believed fixed position

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alongside a railway 1 mile N.W. of St. Victor (223416) at 0935 hrs., 1,800 ft.
WEATHER:- 6-8/10ths cloud, 1,500/3,000 ft. Visibility good. Photographs were taken.

TARGET	CONSTRUCTIONAL WORKS AT LIVOSSART.	
SQDN.	180	98
DETAILED	12	12
TOOK OFF	12	12
PRIMARY	6	10
ABORTIVE	6	2

TIME UP: 0835, TIME DOWN 1031 hrs.
PRIMARY:- 16 Mitchell II A/C, 6 from 180 and 10 from 98 Sqdn., attacked constructional works at Livossart at 0936 hrs. from 9,500/10,000 ft. on a heading 010/020 degs. with 128 X 500 lbs MC.TD..025, bursts were seen begining in target area and continuing out into fields beyond, with further bursts to the E. of the area.
ABORTIVE:- 6 A/C of 180 Sqdn. did not bomb, as leader's bombs hung up, and abandoned task over target area, 2 A/C of 98 Sqdn. did not bomb owing to making a sharp turn off target to avoid another section.
FLAK:- Heavy moderate accurate from area of Anvin, and also on first part of run up from starboard, at 0935 hrs., 10,000 ft., but positions not located.
WEATHER:- Clear over target area, and 3/10ths cloud elsewhere, slant visibility 10 miles. 10 A/C sustained minor flak damage, 1 A/C crashed at Fraston due to flak damage, all members of the crew being killed. Photos were taken.

TARGET	CONSTRUCTIONAL WORKS AT FLEBVIN L'EART	
SQDN.	342	88
DETAILED	9	9
TOOK OFF	9	9
PRIMARY	1	-
ALTERNATIVE	7	8
ABORTIVE	-	1
OUTSTANDING	1	-

TIME UP: 0845/0850. TIME DOWN: 1020-1040.
PRIMARY:- One Boston IIIA aircraft of 342 Sqdn., unable to keep up with main formation attacked what was believed to be the Primary at 0941 from 11,500 ft. heading 305 degrees with 4 X 500 lb. MC.D .025. Bombs are thought to have fallen in target area.
ALTERNATIVE:- (A) A force of 5 Bostons of 342 Sqdn. identified their target but were unable to bomb owing to cloud. Instead

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C. IN C.
A.M.C.A.D.G.B.
W.R. (S,A.S.O.) A.D.G.B.
A.M.L.O.
S.P.R.O.
C.I.O.
D.R.O. W.C.NAV.
D.A.C.
OPS. I.
W.C.TACTICS. A.D.G.B.
W.C.TACTICS. A.E.A.F.
(KESTRAL GROVE).

INT. 4/5.
OPS. 7 (A.E.A.F).
M.E.L.O.
O.R.S. (2).
A.E.A.F. (W.R.INT).
AI3 (c) (1) A.M.
C.O.P.C.
9 GROUP.
D.A.F.L. (A.F.L.3).

From: 2 Group. Serial: A1/67.

No.2 Group Summary of Operations Dawn/Dusk.
PART II.

Target	Beaumont	Lehareng.
Sqdns.	21	464
Detailed.	5	6
Took off.	5	6
Primary.	5	5
Abortive.	-	3

Time Up: 1522-1527 Time down 1706-1725.

Primary. 8 Mosquitoes 5 of 21, 3 of 464 Sqdns. attacked constructional works at Beaumont Le Hareng with 30X500 MC. 11 sec. bombs from 400 to 800 ft. at 1621-1626 hours. heading 045 degs. to 100 degs. Some bursts seen in target area some overshots. Weather 6/10 to 9/10 at 3,000ft. Vis. good Photographs taken by 3 A/C. 2X500 MC 11 secs. bombs hung up on one A/C of 21 Sqdn.
Abortive. 3 Mosquitoes of 21 Sqdn. failed to identify primary and returned when in vicinity of target. Bombs brought back.
Enemy Defences. Eletot SAA fire inacurrate 1619 hrs. La Campagne M7855 M/G fire inaccurate. Position 8057 sheet 8E/1 two M/G's firing tracer 1612 hrs. Inaccurate. Troops were seen running to man position. Position M7948 Field Gun In 100 yds. long trench. M/G pits to be built into trench. unoccupied. Between Alouville and Valiquerville wireless mast about 150 ft. high with permament buildings at base. Post: M395780 Large excavation and earthworks on hill.

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Target: Beaulieu FME.

Sqdn.	98	180
Detailed.	12	12.
Took off.	12	12
Primary	-	-
Altern.	12	12

Time Up: 1528. Time down 1709.
Alternative: 24 Mitchells 12 of 98 and 12 of 180 sqdns. attacked constructional works at Bouillam-Court-En-Sery with 192X500 MC. .025 bombs from 7,8000 - 8,500ft. at 1624 hrs. heading 300 degs. to 330 degs. Bursts seen to straddle the target area confirmed by photographs. Some aircraft dropped bombs oneither Framicourt (660685) or Watteblery (645675) about 1-1/2 miles to S.E. of target.

Weather: 8/10 cloud 7,000ft. Vis. poor. No E/A. Photographs by 7 A/C. Heavy slight inaccurate flak from 4-5miles S.E. Boutancourt to Some 10 miles beyond 1620-1625 hrs.

Target.	Lemesmil	Allard.
Sqdn.	6	342
Detailed.	9	3
Took off.	9	3
Abortive.	9	3

Time Up: 1536-1540. Time down 1709-1715.
Abortive. 11 Bostons failed to indetify target owing to weather, and turned back for base when in target area at 1624 hrs. 9,000 ft. 10 A/C brought bombs back one A/C jettisoned 4X500 Long delay bombs in sea 14 miles 330 degs. from Le Ereport. One A/C of 342 Sqdn. abandeoned task 2 miles S.W. of Guildford 1552 hrs. owing to petrol trouble with starboard engine. Weather: 10/10 cloud 9,000ft. Slant Visibility target area nil. No E/A. Heavy flak observed directed at Mitchell A/C. Gamaches/Blanchy area.

Target:	Hambures.	
Sqdns.	226	320
Detailed.	6	12
Took off.	6	12
Primary.	6	12

Time Up: 1521-1525. Time down. 1743-1747.

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SECRET 11/7

C. IN C.	OPS. I
A.M.C., A.D.G.B.	INT. 4/5
W.R.(S.A.S.O.)/.A.D.G.B.	M.I.L.O.
A.M.L.O.	O.R.S.(2)
S.P.R.O.	A.E.A.F.(W.R. INT.)
C.I.O.	OPS. 7 (A.E.A.F.)
D.R.O./.W.C. NAV.	C.O.P.C.
D.A.C.	A.I.3(C)(I)AM.
W/C TACTICS/.A.D.G.B.	9 GROUP
W/C TACTICS/A.E.A.F./ KESTRAL GROVE.	D.A.F.L.
	A.M.A.D. OF OPS.(S.O.)
	I.W.O./C.I.U.

FROM: H.Q. 2 GROUP
AI/59 6th Feb., 1944.

NO.2 GROUP SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS DAWN/DUSK 6th FEB..1944.

PART I

TARGET - CONSTRUCTIONAL WORKS AT BOIS COQUEREL

SQDNS.	464	21	613
DETAILED	8	7	7
TOOK OFF	6	7	5
PRIMARY	6	4	5
ALTERNATIVE	0	1	-
ABORTIVE	-	2	-
MISSING	-	1	-

NAMES OF CREW: Pilot F/L Webb, navigator F/L Sircombe.
Time up 1205 time down 1420.
PRIMARY:- 15 Mosquito VI A/C 6 of 464, 4 of 21, and 5 of 613 Sqdns, attacked constructional works at Bois Coquerel between 1255 and 1307 hrs. from 1200 ft. to 1800 ft. heading 030 degs. to 300 degs. with 45 X 500 lb M.C.T.D.,025 and 15 X 500 MB M.C. (Long delay pistols). Many bursts were seen in the target area with bombs overshooting to the N.E. andN.W. of the square building. Two A/C shot upa goods train with two flak waggons, strikes observed, resulting in an explosion giving out a flash, presumably from expladding ammunitions. ~~A/C~~ Two men were seen to be blown off one of the wagons. Another A/C shot up a heavy gun position, strikes observed, believed killing 3 of gun crew.
ALTERNATIVE:- One A/C of 21 S dn. was unable tto attack the primary on account of intense flak, dropped its bomb load on a petrol dump, large dark red flames were seen afterwards.
ABORTIVE:- 2 A/C of 21 Sqdn. did not cross the French coast due to mechanical failure.
MISSING:- one A/C K, of 21 Sqdn., is missing, as a result of enemy actionb, but it is believed that it successfully ~~attacked~~ the primary target.
FLAK:- At position:-
(A) G.S.C.S. 4250 90/5 469774, goods train, probably stationary, with two flak wagons, one in the middle and the other at the rear.
(B) 9D/6 770725 - probably 3 light
(C) 9D/6 7972 light flak and tracer.
(D) 9D/6 795655 light flak and tracer.
(E) Intense accurate light flak from S.S.E. of target area.
(F) Light flak from N.E. of Frecourt.
(G) Heavy gun position at M.6674.
(H) Light flak from Aumatre position 725635, 3,000 ft.
(I) Light flak from Nouveau Monde, position 620605 at 1259 hrs. 50 ft.
(J) Tracer from railway near Soreng position 595690 at 1307 hrs.50ft.
WEATHER: Slight haze 7-8/10ths cloud, 3,000 ft. to 4,000 ft. Visibility 7/8 miles.

PART II

24 Mitchell 11 A/C, 12 of 320 Sqdn. and 12 of 226 Sqdn. detailed to attack a special target in Northern France abandoned task over the target area owing to 10/10ths cloud, no E/A were sighted, but 18/20 flak bursts were seen above cloud 2 miles

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E. of believed target area at 1234 hrs., 8,000 ft. Weather 10/10ths cloud 5,000 ft. from enemy coast to beyond target area.

PART III

12 Bostons 3A of 342 Sqdn., detailed to attack a special target in Northern France abandoned task over target area owing to 10/10ths cloud, 4 bursts of light flak were seen at 1301 hrs. 8,000 ft. coming up from S. of Abbeville, not apparently aimed at the formation, no E/A encountered. Weather 10/10th/5,000 ft.

PART IV

23 Mitchell 11, 12 of 180 Sqdn and 11 of 98 Sqdn. detailed to attack a special target in Northern France abandoned task owing to 10/10 cloud. No flak and no E/A were encountered. Cloud over sea 3/10, cloud over France 10/10, 5,000 ft.

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C. IN C.
A.M.C.A.D.G.B.
W.R. (S.A.S.O.) A.D.G.B.
A.M.L.O.
S.P.R.O.
C.I.O.
D.R.O. W.C.NAV.
D.A.C.
OPS. I.
W.C.TACTICS. A.D.G.B.
W.C.TACTICS. A.E.A.F.
(KESTRAL GROVE).
INT. 4/5.

OPS. 7 (A.E.A.F).
A.M.L.O.
O.R.S. (2).
A.E.A.F. (W.R.INTEL).
C.O.P.C.
AI3 (c) (1) A.M.
9 GROUP.
A.M.,A.D. of OPS. (S.O).

From: 2 Group. Serial: A1/56.

NO:2 GROUP SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS DAWN/DUSK 5th.FEB.1944.

Part I.

Target:	Bois Negle.		
Sqdns.	464	21	613
Detailed.	8	8	8
Took off.	8	8	7
Primary.	4	4	6
Alternative.	-	1	-
Abortive.	2	2	-
Outstanding.	1	-	-

Names of crew missing. F/Sgt.Anderson - Pilot.
F/Sgt.Cox - Navigator.
Time Up:1321-137.
Time down. 1400-1557.

Primary.

14 Mosquitoes 4 of 464, 4 of 21 and 6 of 613 Sqdns. attacked constructional works at Bois Negle with 56X500 MC. 11 secs. bombs from 150 to 1200feet. at 1432-1438 hrrs. heading 020 degs. to 360 degs. Bursts seen in target area and on 2 buildings beat "Q" with overshoots into woods. 3 A/C of 613 Sqdn. also attacked with cannon and strikes were observed on "Q" and on machine gub emplacements which was active 113393 sheet. 8 E/4 KML in was reported Green and Black paint was being used for camouflage but was not complete. Weather: Slight haze 4/10 cloud base 4000ft. Vis.3-5 miles. Photographs taken by 2 A/C. Machine gun fire was reported from target area. Alternative: One Mosquito of 21 Sqdn. being unable to identify primary target attacked camouflaged building in wood to W. of main road running N. from Totem 1642 with 4X500 MC. 11 secs. bombs, from 500ft. at 1430 hrs. heading 360 degs. Results unobserved.

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Abortive.

Two A/C of 464 and 1 A/C of 21 Sqdns. failed to identify target. Bombs brought back. One A/C of 21 Sqdn. failing to identify target jettisoned bombs in sea 5 miles from enemy coast at 1444 hours. The air speed indicator of this aircraft went out of action owing to damage from bullet. One A/C 464 Sqdn. returned to base soon after take off owing to V.H.F. failure. Two A/C of 464 and two of 21, and six of 613 Sqdns. were damaged by S.A.A. and Flak. One A/C of 464 Sqdn. landed Holmesleigh south, and one A/C 613 Sqdn. landed Friston.

REPORTS OUTSTANDING.

Light flak from the following positions:-

St.Pierre-En Port - 1430 hours.
Position 780574 Sheet 8E/1 1430 hours.
Yvetot intense fairly accurate with some bursts of heavy flak 1435 hrs.
Ectot L'Auber M.0939 1444 hours.
St Germain M.3050 1450 hours.
Coastal position Bivelle 360740 Sheet 9D/5.
Greny 385695 9D/5 1439 hours.
Light flak from Train at M.3266 1440 hours.
Position 798595 Sheet 8E/1 fairly accurate.
Position 806503 sheet 8 E/1 intense.
Missing aircraft of 21 Sqdn. last seen south of Auzouville M.0439 turning to starboard 1436 hrs. 2000 ft. Aircraft had previously passed over Yvetot where intense flak had been encountered.

0855 hours.
6th.February, 1944.

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SECRET W/D.

C. IN C.
A.M.C.A.D.G.B.
W.R. (S.A.S.O.) A.D.G.B.
A.M.L.O.
S.P.R.O.
C.I.O.
D.R.O. W.C.NAV.
D.A.C.
OPS. I.
W.C.TACTICS. A.E.A.F.
(KESTRAL GROVE).
W.C.TACTICS. A.D.G.B.
INT. 4/5.

M.I.L.O. -S-
OPS. 7 (A.E.A.F).
O.R.S. (2).
A.E.A.F. (W.R.INTEL).
AI3 (c) (1) A.M.
9 GROUP.
A.M.,A.D.OF OPS. (S.O).
C.O.P.C.

From: 2 Group. Serial: A1/54.

No.2 Group Summary of Operations Dawn/Dusk 4th.Feb.1944.

Part.I.

Sqdn.	613.	21.	464.
Detailed.	9	9	8
Took off.	6	8	8
Abortive.	6	8	8

Time Up. 0858, 0901. Time down. 0918-0956.

Abortive. 22 Mosquitoes 6 of 613, 8 of 21 and 8 of 464 Sqdns. set off to attack constructional works at Beaulieu F.M.E. owing to unsuitable weather aircraft were recalled. Bombs were brought back.

Part.II.

Target.	Beaulieu F.M.E.		
Sqdn.	613	21	464.
Detailed.	8	8	8
Took off.	7	8	7
Primary.	7	6	6
Abortive.	-	2	-

Time Up: 1515-1522. Time down. 1646-1718.

Primary.

19 Mosquitoes 7 of 613, 6 of 21 and 6 of 464 Sqdns. attacked constructional works at Beaulieu FME with 75X500 MC.11 secs bombs from 100-1000ft. at 1600-1615 hrs.heading 050 degs.-350 degs. Bursts seen very close to 'Q' and vicinity M of R1 and R2. Other bursts in wood 150 yds.N. of aiming point. and in orchard to west. "Q" Skissand buildings in immediate vicinity were well camouflaged believed dark green paint. R.1 and R.2 did not appear to be efficiently camouflaged but small building R1 and R2 were covered with netting.

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Weather:- 4/10 to 5/10 cloud base 4000ft. Vis. 15 mls.
Photographs taken by 2 aircraft.
Abortive: One A/C of 21 and 1 of 464 Sqdns. did not bomb being unable to clearly identify target. 1 A/C of 21 Sqdn. returned when near enemy coast owing to GEE failure and inability to pinpoint landfall owing to haze over cliffs. Bombs brought back. 1 A/C attacked barbed wire entanglements with machine guns on Cliff Tocqueville.
Flak: Heavy and light flak also M/G fire from Merneval 1600hrs. Light flak from the following positions:-
Camaches possibly from the following railway 1609-1615hrs.
Soreng and between Monchaux and Soreng M5968 from railway 1612 hrs.
Senarpont 9D/6663577 believed from Railway 1608 hrd.
Approx. one mile N.W. target 1615 hrs.
Campneuseville 1613 hrs.
Blangy 1617 hrs.
Criel 1602 Hrs.
Nestel L'Hotel M6662 1615 hrs.
S.A. tracer from hillside approx. position M5573 probably 3 gun positions 636585 sheer 9D/6.
Probably single gun 649585 sheet 9D/ .
Probable 2 gun 623565 sheet 9D/6. fairly accurate.
~~Position 6358 sheet 9D/6 light flak and tracer.~~
Single gun 555735 sheet OD/6 fairly accurate.
Probable 2 gun 623565 sheet E/2.
Position 6358 sheet 9D/6 light flak and tracer.
Position 4675 sheet 9D/5 20 mm. with tracer-accurate.
One A/C of 613 Sqdn. was holed through fuselage. A Wireless lead being cut.

0032 hrs.
5th.Feb.1944.

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SECRET. 366/41.

C. IN C.
A.M.C.A.D.G.B.
W.R. (S.A.S.O.) A.D.G.B.
A.M.L.O.
S.P.R.O.
C.I .O.
D.R.O. W.C.NAV.
D.A.C.
OPS. I,
W.C.TACTICS. A.D.G.B.
W.C.TACTICS. A.E.A.F.
(KESTRAL GROVE).
INT. 4/5.

M.I.L.O.
OPS. 7 (A.E.A.F).
O.R.S. (2).
A.E.A.F. (W.R.INTEL:).
A.I.3 (c)(1) A.M.
9 GROUP.
A.M., A.D.OF OPS. (S.O.).

From: 2 Group.

NO:2 GROUP SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS DAWN/DUSK 3rd. FEB.1944.

Target.	Beaumont Le Hareng.		
Sqdn.	464	21	613.
Detailed.	8	8	9.
~~Detailed~~			
Took off.	8	5	8
Primary.	7	3	-
Alternative.	1	2	-
Abortive.	-	2	8
Outstanding.	-	1	1

Time Up: 1504-1534 Time down. 1715-1738.

Primary.

10 Mosquitoes VI aircraft, 7 of 464 Sqdn. and 3 of 21 Sqdn. attacked constructional works at Beaumont Le Hareng with 34X500 MC. 11 secs. bombs from 600-1000 feet at 1607-1610 hours heading 010 degs. - 030 degs. some bursts were seen in target area but it was believed bombs generally overshot with a few undershoots skis appeared to be camouflaged with netting. One Ski was damaged.
One aircraft of 464vSqdn. dropped 4X500 MC 11 secs. bombs unfirsed. Two bombs hung up one A/C of 464 Sqdn. and were brought back, no photographs were taken.
[illegible] 5/10-6/10 cloud.

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Target: Constructional works at Belle Ville En Caux.

Sqdn.	320	226.
Detailed.	13	11.
Took off.	13	11.
Primary.	-	-
Alternative.	13	5
Abortive.	-	6

Time Up: 1451. Time down. 1731.

All A/C of 320 Sqdn. and 5 A/C of 226 bombed a target which photographs have since shown to have been constructior works at Bois Negle with overshoots and undershoots. The attack was between 1606 and 1608 at 7,000-8,000ft. heading 130 degs. 160 degs. with 120X500 lb. M.C. T/D. 025. 12X500 LB. MC. (37 pistol) and 12X500 MC. (37A Pistol) bombs, two sticks were seen to fall very close to the square ~~xxxx~~ and large rectangular buildings with overshoots to the S.E. and undershoots to the N.W. of the target area. Considerable smoke was seen over target area . At 1609 at a height of 700 feet a single FW.190 was seen approaching on a starboard bea at 700 yds. the upper gunner of an A/C of 226 Sqdn. opened fire with 30 rounds, no strikes observed but E/A broke away and seen to be chased by a Spitfire. No flak in target area. Weather 8-9/10 cu tops 1000ft. to 5000ft. with 8/10 medium cloud. Above vis. 8-10 miles.

Abortive.

6 A/C of 226 Sqdn. did not bomb owing to cloud and task abandoned over target area.

Target. Constructional works at Freval.

Sqdn.	88	342.
Detailed.	12	6.
Took off.	12	6.
Primary.	12	0
Abortive.	-	6

Time up: 1519. Time down: 1710.

12 Boston IIIA A/C of 88 Sqdn. and 6 Bostons IIIA A/C of 342 Sqdn. were despatched to attack constructional works at Freval of which 12 A/C of 88 Sqdn. bombed what was beleived to be the primary at 1608 to 1610 from 7,000ft. to 7,400ft. heading 130 degs. with 39X500lb. MC. T/D 025. 4X500lb. MC. (37 pistol) and 4X500 lb. MC. (37A pistol). Results were unobserved owing to cloud. but a few bombs were seen to undershoot. No E/A seen.

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SECRET. 150/22.

C. C. IN C.
A.MC.A.D.G.B.
O.R.O.(S.A.S.O)A.D.G.B.
D.A.C./W.C.NAV.
A.M.L.O.
C.I.O.
D.R.O.
OPS3c(2 copies).
S.P.R.O.
"Y" SERVICE.
S/Ldr. Tart.

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A.M.(F.O.I)(DRLS).
A.M.(D.F.OPS)(DRLS).
D.A.W.T.(DRLS).
TRAINING.3.
2 copies 9 GROUP.
A.E.A.F.(INT.W.R.).

FROM HQ.NO. 2 GROUP.
AI. 21 21st Jan.1944.
NIGHT INTRUDER.
A. 464 RAAF Sqdn.
B. Mosquito VI P/O Alexander P/O Link.
2 X 500 LB.MC. T.D. .025.
C. 1903/1007.
D. Rheine.
E. 2015/2027.
Good landfall at Egmond 1952 hrs. 3,000 ft. Searchlights and light flak behind from Alkmaar. Beacon flashing White 4 miles N. of Rheine A.D. Rheine town identified. V.L. NE/SW. lit during first run over. Doused before second run. A/C made run N. to S. and saw nothing but bombed on fourth run. Bombs falling A/D at 2027 hrs. White beacon flashing Z 15 miles North West of Twente A/D. Rotterdam area heavy and light flak. Out Overflakke. 2104 Out Aldeburgh 1922 in Aldeburgh 2129.

R. 2018/22nd Jan.1944.

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14A

SECRET. 160/22.

C. IN C. A.M.C.A.D.G.B.
O.R.O(S.A.S.O)A.D.G.B.
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A.M.L.O.
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D.A.W.T.(DRLS).
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A.E.A.F.(INT.W.R.).
S/Ldr.Tart.

FROM RAF STATION HUNSDON.
AI. 22 21st Jan.1944.
NIGHT INTRUDER.

A. 464 RAAF SQDN.
B. Mosquito VI F/O Varran P/O Rogers.
2 X 500 lb. MC. TD. .025.
C. 1911/2020.
D. Leewarden.
This aircraft crashed on landing both members of the crew being seriously injured.

R. 0837/22nd Jan.1944.

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13A

SECRET. 166/22.

C. IN C.
O.R.O(S.A.S.O)A.D.G.B.
D.A.C/W.C.NAV.
A.E.A.F.(INT.4/5).
A.M.L.O.
C.I.O.
D.R.O.
OPS.3c(2 copies).
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N.L.O.

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O.R.S.
INT. 3A.
A.MW.R.(DRLS).
A.M.(F.O.I)(DRLS).
A.M.D.F.OPS)(DRLS).
D.A.W.T.(DRLS).
TRAINING.3.
2 copies 9 GROUP.
S/Ldr.Tart.

FROM HQ.NO. 2 GROUP.
AI. 24 21st/22nd Jan.1944.
NIGHT INTRUDER.
A. 464 RAAF Sqdn.
B. Mosquito VI P/O Orris W/O McIntosh. 2 X 500 lb.M.C.
T.D..025. C. 1907/200. D. Twente. Good Landfall 4 miles
S. of Egmond Alkmaar dummy lit. Beacon(White) flashing
I.U. believed N.E. of Twente. Twente A/D not identified.
Another beacon white Very Near believed flashing D.
caught in 12 searchlights for about 1 minute. Doused
second searchlights caught A/C again. Crossed enemy
coast out S. of Egmond 2048 haze. Poor vis. Bombs brought
back. Out Aldeburgh 1923. In Aldeburgh 2122 hrs. R.0900/22.

167/22.

From HQ. NO. 2GROUP.
AI. 17 21/22/1/44.
NIGHT INTRUDER.
A. 464 RAAF. Sqdn. B. Mosquito VI W/Cdr.Iredale.F/Lt.
Caul. 2 X 500 lb.M.C.T.D..025. C. 1905/2025.D.Munster
Handorf.Good landfall Overflakke 1947 hrs. ~~xxxxx~~.Good
weather. Slight haze two searchlights in Muster caught E
A/C but did not hold. Decreasing visibility. Area
reached 2020 hrs. But A/D or town not identified by 2027
hrs. Bombs jettisoned 2132 hrs. at position 5230N 0330E
(approx) out Southwold 1924 in Southwold. R. 0845/22 Jan.194

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SECRETL 170/22.

C. IN C.
A.M.C.A.D.G.B.
O.R.O(S.A.S.O)A.D.G.B.
D.A.C.W.C.NAV.
A.M.L.O.
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A.E.A.F.(INT.W.R.).
D.A.W.T.(DRLS).
TRAINING.3.
2 copies 9 GROUP.
S/Ldr. Tart.

FROM HQ.NO. 2 GROUP
AI. 20 21st Jan.1944.
NIGHT INTRUDER.
A. 464 RAAF Sqdn.
B. Mosquito VI F/O Monaghan F/O Dean.
2 X 500 lb. M.C. T.D. .025.
C. 1853/2132.
D. Munster Handorf.
Landfall uncertain as unable to pinpoint. Crossed Zuider Zee and still unable to pinpoint so abandoned primary. Attempted to pick up causeway across Zuider Zee intending to bomb Lewarden. Unable to do so. Set course South and turned for base from estimated position position 5235N 0520E 2005 hrs. Searchlight from Polder area and from Alkmaar area. No flak. Attempted to find Alkmaar but unsuccessful. Bombs brought back. Out Aldenburgh 1910 hrs. In Aldburgh 2055.

R.025/ 22 Jan.1944.

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SECRET. 180/22.

C. IN C.
A.M.C.A.D.G.B.
A.E.A.F.(INT.W.R.).
D.A.CW.C.NAV.
A.M.L.O.
C.I.O.
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A.M.(D.F.OPS)(DRLS).
A.M.(F.O.I)(DRLS).
D.A.W.T.(DRLS).
TRAINING.3.
2 copies 9 Group.
S/Ldr.Tart.

FROM HQ.NO. 2 GROUP.
AI. 23 21st /22nd Jan.1944.
NIGHT INTRUDER.

A. 464 RAAF Sqdn.
B. Mosquito VI F/O Swan P/O Williams.
2 X 500 lb. MC. TD..025.
C. 1920/2140.
D. Deelen.
E. 2018.
Good landfall at Overflakkee 2013 hrs. 4,000/2,000 ft. Hazy. Light flak to port S. of Rotterdam to N. of Gorinfhem. Armhem identified through bad blackout. Deelen A/D perimeter light on and centre of A/D bombed 2018 hrs. from 2,000 ft. flashes from ~~xxxxxx~~ ~~xxxxxxxxxx~~ bombs seen. No flak from A.D. Light flak Egmond 2040 hrs. 2500 ft. A/C ~~xxxx~~ continued to dive to 500 ft. Light flak much behind believed Alkmaar A/D lights on out Southwold 1941. In Southwold 2114 hrs.

R. 0908/22nd Jan.1944.

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SECRET. 163/22.

C. IN C.
A.M.C.A.D.G.B.
O.R.O.B.A.S.C.A.D.G.B.
D.A.C.W.C.NAV.
A.M.L.O.
C.I.O.
D.R.O.
OPS.Sc(2 copies).

S.P.R.O.
"Y" SERVICE.
INT. 4/5.
O.R.S.
INT.3A.
A.MW.E.(DRLS).
A.M.(P.O.I)(DRLS).
A.M.(D.F.OPS)(DRLS).

D.A.W.T.(DRLS).
TRAINING.3.
2 copies to 9 Group.
M.E.A.F.(INT.W.R.).
I.W.O/C.I.U.
S/Ldr.Tert.

FROM HQ. NO. 2 GROUP.
AI. 19 21st January, 1944.
NIGHT INTRUDER.
A. 464 RAAF. SQDN.
B. Mosquito VI. F/S Gibbons F/S Kenway.
2 X 500 lb. M.C.T.D.025.
C. 1845/2203.
D. Munster Handorf.
Landfall at Hellvoetsluish 1928 hrs. 1500 ft. Hazy. Bombed unidentified A.D. 2008 1/2 hrs. from 1600 ft. believed area of 5200N 0710E. Flarepath on 240 degrees lit up. Searchlights felling for A/C as approaching Rotterdam. Apprximately 10 attempting to engage in Rotterdam area. Light flak in Rotterdam area 2041 hrs. Out Aldeburgh 1903 hrs. In Aldeburgh 2120 hrs.

R. 0824/ Jan. 1944.

WSC 24/1

ENCLOSURE 9A.

SECRET 211/33.

C. IN C. OPS. I
A.O.C., A.D.G.B. INT. 4/5
W.R.(S.A.S.O.) M.I.L.O.
C.I.C. O.R.S.(2)
D.A.C. U.S. 8 F.C.
W/C TACTICS. S/L TART
D.R.O./.W.C. NAV. A.F.L.3
A.M.L.O. C.O.P.C.
S.P.R.O. A.I.3(C)(E)A.M.
9 GROUP C.T.O.
A.M.A.D. OF OPS.(S.O.) I.W.O./C.I.U.

FROM: H.Q. 2 GROUP
AI/156 22nd Dec., 1943.

+No.2 GROUP SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS DAWN/DUSK 22nd DEC.,1943.

TARGET CONSTRUCTION WORK AT ST. AGATHE D'ALIERMONT.

SQDN.	21	464	487	F.R.U.
DETAILED	21	17	12	1
TOOK OFF	11	17	12	1
PRIMARY	7	9	11	1
ABORTIVE	4	8	1	-

PRIMARIES

27 Mosquitoes VI led by G/C Pickard attacked at 1148 hrs. and 1201 hrs. from 1,000 and 1,500 ft. At 280 to 300 IAS dropping 106 X 500 lb MC. .025 and 1 X 250 GP .025 bursts were seen all over the target area with overshoots and undershoots. Hits were seen on a large square building resulting in red and green flashes. No flak from target area. No E/A seen. Some flak en route. Photos were taken (1 X 250 GP hung up). 1 Mosquito IV attacked at 1140 from 30'. with 4 X 500 MC 11 sec. believed overshot. No flak or E/A seen. Weather 6/10 cloud base 2,500 ft. hazy vis. 5 miles.

ABORTIVE

12 A/C abandoned task in the Cayeux area owing to uncertainty of G and failure to pinpoint. 1 A/C abandoned at Tonbridge Wells owing to generator and intercomm. failure.

2nd ATTACK

SQDN.	21	464	487
DETAILED	9	5	6
TOOK OFF	9	5	6
PRIMARY	9	5	6

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PRIMARY
20 Mosquitoes MK VI attacked the same target at 1548 to 1552 hrs., 5 A/C with 20 X 500 MC 11 sec. from 50 ft. and 15 A/C with 57 MC. .025 from ~~Ex 50 ft~~ 1,000/2,000 ft heading S.E. and ENE. Many bombs burst in the targer area with a few overshoots from the low level A/C. Hits were claimed near the Skees and close to the square building. The squsre building was reported already damaged. Some tracer and light flak seen in target area, and route out. 3 A/C minor damaged. Weather 2/10 cloud at 2,500 ft. Vis. 4/6 miles 5 the same time as the first Mosquito attack. Medium level attacks were detailed as follows:-

TARGETS:	CONSTRUCTION WORKS N. FRANCE.					
SQDN.	88	107	342	226	98	180
DETAILED	12	12	12	13	12	12
TOOK OFF	12	12	12	13	12	12
PRIMARY	-	-	6	-	-	-
ABORTIVE	12	12	6	13	12	12

These A/C abandoned over targets at 10,500 ft. to 15,000 ft. owing to 10/10 cloud below. 6 A/C of 342 Sqdn. attacked target at Les Nesnil Allard through a gapin the cloud at 1202 hrs. from 10,500 ft. with 23 X 500 Lb MC .025 photographs show burst 300/400 yds. S.E. of target. No flak or E/A seen.
R. 23/2304 Dec., 1943

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SECRET. 21/5.

S/L. TART.
C. IN C.
A.O.C.A.D.G.B.
C.R.O/S.A.S.OA.D.G.B.
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A.M.(D.F.OPS)(DRLS).
D.A.W.T.(DRLS).
TRAINING.5.
U.S. 8 F.C.
I.W.O.C.T.U.

FROM 2 GROUP.
RE. RAY 4/ (Intruder Report). 3rd/4th Dec.1943.
"Northwest at 0155" should read "Northward at 0155".

R. 0455/5th December,1943.

FROM 2 Group.
RE. Ray 4/4 (INTRUDER REPORT). 3rd/4th Dec.1943.
VA. "Ijmuiden" read Bergen/Alkmaar.
VB. "0213 hrs" read Egmond.

R. 0455/5th December,1943.

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SECRET 7/4.

C. IN C. O.R.S.
A.O.C. A.D.G.B. INT. 3"A"
O.R.O.(S.A.S.O.)/.A.D.G.B. A.M.W.R.(D.R.L.S.)
AM.L.O. A.M.(D.O.I.)
S.P.R.O. A.M.(D.F. OPS.)
D.A.C./.W.C. NAV. U.S. 8 P.C.
C.I.O. D.A.W.T.(D.R.L.S.)
D.P.O. TRAINING 3
OPS. 3 9 GROUP (2)(D.R.L.S.)
W/T SERVICE. C.T.O.
INT. 4/5 S/L TART
I.W.O./C.I.U.

FROM: H.Q. SCULTHORPE.
AI/3 4th Dec., 1943.
COMPOSITE INTRUDER REPORT
A. 464 Sqdn. B. One Mosquito VI SB/B F/O Binnie and P/O Adams.
C. 0048/0208 D. Bomb Gilze Rijen A/D. F. and G. NIL.
GENERAL:- Crossed N. Sea at 500 ft. and crossed Dutch coast at Westhoofd 0128 at 2,500 ft. Encountered 10/10ths cloud 400 ft. to 2,500 ft. so returned to base. Bright flashes seen to starboard on leaving Dutch coast. R. 04/0525 Dec., 1943
4/4.

FROM: H.Q. SCULTHORPE
AI/3 4th Dec., 1943.
COMPOSITE INTRUDER REPORT
A. 464 B. One Mosquito VI SB/C S/L Childe-Villiers and P/O Curtis C. 0058/0146 D. Bomb Schipol A/D. E. N/A F. and G. NIL.
GENERAL:- Crossed out just N. of Mundsley 0110 at 500 ft. and found compass U/S so returned to base. Weather trace 1500/2,000 ft. Visibility good. R. 04/0505 Dec., 1943
8/4.

FROM: SCULTHORPE
AI/3 4th Dec., 1943.
COMPOSITE INTRUDER REPORT
A. 464 B. One Mosquito VI SB/C F/O Crofts (Aust.) and F/S Fleming (Can.) C. 0036 /0204 D. Vomb Venlo A/D. E. N/A F. and G. NIL.
GENERAL:- Crossed sea at 500 ft. made landfall Westhoofd 0121 hrs. 5,000 ft. found 8/10ths cloud 400 ft. to 2,800 ft. so returned to base no flak bright flashes seen to starboard on leaving Westhoofd weather over sea 2/10 deteriorating to 8/10 400 ft. to 2,800 ft. vis. good this side hazy over Holland. R. 04/0525 Dec., 1943
15/4.

FROM: H.Q. SCULTHORPE.
AI/3/ 4th Dec., 1943.
COMPOSITE INTRUDER REPORT
A. 464 B. One Mosquito VI SB/P F/O Orris and W/O MacIntosh (Can).
C. 0031/0300 D. Bomb Deelen A/D. E. 0145/0153 F. and G. NIL.
GENERAL:- Sea crossed 700 ft. landfall S. of Egmond crossed Zuider Zee to inlet N. of Kampen over Epe and reached Deelen A/D 0145 hrs. and found M/S runway V/L and perimeter lights lit also lights of A/D 4/5 miles to S.E. Dummy A/D to N.W. also had single red flare path lit at 0146 hrs. lights on target went out A/C orbitted and at 0152 hrs. lights came on again. 2 X 500 M.C. Mark IV TD 11 secs. bombs dropped at 0152 from 2,000 ft. bright flashes seen and lights went out at 0154 lights came on again and another run made at 2,000 ft. then turned for home and saw gun flashes from ground and small amount of tracer intense LAA and HAA and S/Ls seen from Amsterdam and Ijmuiden/Bergen Alkmaar was lit white flashing beacon at Egmond 0213 hrs. white flashing beacon at Urk. Weather:- Eastern Holland. 5/10ths at 3,000/3,500 ft. with ground mist which broke in target area. R. 04/0636 Dec., 194

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SECRET 17/4.

FROM: SCULTHORPE.
AI/S 4th Dec., 1943.
COMPOSITE INTRUDER REPORT

A. 464 B. One Mosquito VI SB/O F/O Monahhan and F/O Dean.
C. 0025/0307 D1 Bomb Twente A/D E. 0145 /0200 F. and G. NIL.
GENERAL:- Crossed sea at 500 ft. landfall Egmond 3,000 ft. 0118 hrs. set course to Harderwijk then to canal between Oosp and Hengelo Twente A/D reached 0145 outer circle lights and funnels lit revolving white beacon on N.E. corner at 0147 from 1500 ft. 2/500 M.C. mark IV TD 11 sec. were dropped nothing seen after checking switches another run made no results seen. White beacon flashing C seen at 0145 hrs, 5 miles N.W. of Twente A/D. Patrolled between Beacon A/D and canal for 17 minutes and at 0200 beacon went out heavy flak seen from Zwolle. No flak from target one red steady beacon 8/10 miles S. of Den Helder and a yellow one 5 miles S. of that. Weather:- Nocloud visibility very good E. of Zuider Zee very foggy. Vis. NIL.
E. 04/0647 Dec., 1943

20/4

FROM: SCULTHORPE.
AI/S 4th Dec., 1943.
COMPOSITE INTRUDER REPORT
A. 464 B. One Mosquito VI SB/A F/S Gibbons (Aus.) and F/S Kinway (Aus.) C. 0103/ - D. Bergen/Alkmaar A/D (Bomb).
E. 0148/0200 F. and G. NIL.
GENERAL:- Crossed North Sea at 500 and arrived over Bergen /Alkmaar at 0148 hrs. no activity patrolled for 15 minutes then set course for base light flak from area S. of Alkmaar above and to port heavy flak seen Amsterdam and many S/Ls large flash seen to northwest. at 0155. Weather 6/10 at 1,000 ft. on coast heavy overland clear towards Zuider Zee. E. 04/0659 Dec., 1943

SECRET 27/30

C. IN C.
A.O.C., A.D.G.B.
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D.A.C./W.C. NAV.
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'Y' SERVICE,
INT. 4/5
S/L TART.

O.R.S.
INT. 5"A"
A.M.W.R.(D.R.L.S.)
A.M.(F.O.I.)
A.M.(D.F. OPS.)
U.S. & F.C.
D.A.W.T.(D.R.L.S.)
TRAINING 3
9 GROUP (2)(D.R.L.S.)
SIGS. I
CHIEF ARM. OFFICER.
I.W.O./C.I.U.(D.R.L.S.)

FROM: H.Q. II GROUP
AI/540 30th Nov., 1943.
FORD COMPOSITE INTRUDER REPORT
A. 464 Sqdn. B. Mosquitoe VI F/Sgt. Fox and W/O McCallister 2 X 500 M.C. 11 secs. C. 2245 /0045 D. Intruder Rheims A/F. E.Target not attacked. F. and G. NIL. H. A/C turned back 0026 hrs. owing to being unable to pinpoint position after Albert. Flying at 2,000 ft. route Ault/Albert/Eletot. Weather:- Showers from enemy coast to 25 miles inland. Electrical disturbances. Small puffs of cloud over sea. Bombs brought back. R. 30/0556 Nov., 1943.

25/30

FROM: H.Q. II GROUP
AI/538 30th Nov., 1943.
FORD COMPOSITE INTRUDER REPORT
A. 464 Sqdn. B. Mosquito VI F/O Perry F/S Walsh 2 X 500 M.C. 11 secs. C. 2359 D. Intruder Laon/Couvron.A/F. E. and F. NIL. G. One Mosquito and crew F/O Berry F/S Walsh missing. H. A/C took off at 2359 hrs. and was reported by Tangmere operations to have crashed into sea near Bognor at 0006 hrs. Nothing further has been heard. R. 30/0540 Nov., 1943.

19/30

FROM: H.Q. II GROUP
AI/536 30th Nov., 1943.
BRADWELL BAY COMPOSITE INTRUDER REPORT
A. 464 B. One Mosquito VI SB/O F/Lt. Miles (Aus.) and F/O Nimmo (N.Z.) C. 2328/0052 D.Brussels/Melsbrock E. N/A F. NIL. GENERAL:- Crossed coast at Aldeborough and just after leaving ~~xxx~~ gee became U/S landfall made at Noord Beveland and light inaccurate flak encountered from Flushing. Thick low cloud was encountered and A/C returned to base. Weather:- Over sea 4/10 1500 ft. overland 10 /10 at 1200. Vis. good at 2359 hrs. pilot reports seeing object on the sea which might have been parachute, balloon or dinghy in position 51.50 deg. N. 0220E. R. 30/0406 Nov., 1943

18/30

FROM: H.Q. II GROUP
AI/535 30th Nov., 1943.
BRADWELL BAY COMPOSITE INTRUDER REPORT
A. 464 B. One Mosquito VI SB/O F/O Monaghan and F/O Dean C. 2527/0125. D. Brussels de Gulot. E. N/A F. NIL. GENERAL:- Crossed sea 500 ft., Landfall Westhoofd at 0002 hrs. 1,000 ft. Target could not be identified and no activity observed in target area. Light flak mostly behind but accurate for height from Gilze Rijen on way out. A/C was illuminated momentarily at Nomansdorf. Weather:- Showery 5-6/10 at 1500 ft. vis. good except in showers. 9/10 at 2,000 ft. in target area. R. 30/0402 Nov., 1943.

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FROM: H.Q. II GROUP
AI/557 30th Nov., 1945.
BRADWELL COMPOSITE INTRUDER REPORT
A. 464 B. One Mosquito VI P/O Alexander and P/O Link (Can.) C. 2330/0138 D. Bomb Eindhoven. E. 0018/0022 F. and G. NIL. GENERAL:- In Westhoofd 0004 hrs. 1,500 ft. Out between Flakire/Schouwen 0040 hrs. 1500 ft. Target pinpointed perimeter and NW/SE runway. Seen. 2 X 500 lb M.C. inst. dropped at 0020 at centre of A/F. Bursts seen steady orange fire burned steadily and a further large explosion fire seen for 50 miles at 3,000 ft. L.W.A. from target. S/Ls were evaded also 2 bursts of tracer from behind at Gilze. R. 30/0308Nov., 1945.
7/50

FROM: H.Q. II GROUP
AI/550 30th Nov., 1945.
FORD COMPOSITE INTRUDER REPORT
A. 474 Sqdn. B. Mosquito VI F/O Swab P/O Williams 2 X 500 M.C. 11 secs. C. 2010/0207 D. Intruder Coulommiers A/F. E. 2058/2101 F. Bombed Coulommiers A/F results not seen. G. NIL. H. A/F identified and bombs dropped at 2100 hrs. from 2,000 ft. A/F illuminated but lights immediately doused immediately prior to bombing two runways seen by both members of crew. Route Beachy Head/Riville Is Forts/Coulommiers A/F Biville/Beachy Head. Searchlight exposed from A/F. Weather tin broken cloud at 3,000 ft. over whole route. Vis. 6 miles fire seen burning at 2116 hrs. from 2,000 ft. at believed Clermont Estrees St. Denis area. R. 30/0130 Nov., 1945

5A.

SECRET 23/27

C. IN C.	O.R.S.
A.O.C., A.D.G.B.	INT. 5TH A.B.
D.A.C./W.C. NAV.	A.M.W.R.(D.R.L.S.)
O.R.O.(S.A.S.O.	A.M.(F.O.I.)
A.M.L.O.	A.M.(D.F. OPS.)
S.P.R.O.	U.S. & F.C.
C.I.O.	D.A.W.T.(D.R.L.S.)
D.R.O.	TRAINING 5
OPS. 5	9 GROUP (2)(D.R.L.S.)
'Y' SERVICE.	S/L TART
INT. 4/5	

FROM: H.Q. II GROUP INT.
AI/430 27th Nov., 1943.
Following read. from Ford:-
FORD COMPOSITE/INTRUDER REPORT
A. [redacted] Sqdn. B. Mosquito VI W/C Meeker F/O Kennet 2 X 500 MC 11 sec. C. 2104/2255 hrs. D.Flower St.Trond A/F. E. Turned back at Somme bend 2148 owing to bad visibility R. and G. NIL. H. Cloud 7/10ths at 1900 ft./5,000 ft. Activity at Abbeville A/F. Rockets being fired at 2155 hrs. Bombs brought back. Crossed coast in Ault crossed coast out Treport. R. 27/0135 Nov., 1943.
55/27

FROM: H.Q. II GROUP INT.
AI/446 27th Nov., 1943.
FORD COMPOSITE INTRUDER REPORT
A. 464 Sqdn. B. Mosquito VI S/L Iredale F/Lt. M.Call 2 X 500 MC 11 sec. C. 2104/2343 hrs. D.Flower Laon/Athies A/F. E. Turned back in target area which was obscured by fog at 2203. F. and G. NIL. H.Weather clear except for fog patches in hills. Bank of fog 800ft/1,000 ft. over target route Cayeux target area/ Cayeux. Abbeville A/D illuminated when A/C going to target and silver flak in threes and fours pushed up at regular intervals. of 10 secs. in Abbeville area1 2250/2240 hrs. A/C flying at 2,00 ft. Bombs brought back. R. 27/0412 Nov., 1943
11/27

FROM: H.Q. II GROUP INTELLIGENCE.
AI/484 27th Nov., 1943.
The following read. from Ford:-
FORD COMPOSITE INTRUDER REPORT
A. 464 Sqdn. B. Mosquito VI P/O Avery P/O Gavites 2 X 500 M.C. 11 secs. C. 2110/2256 D. Flower Juvincourt A/F. E.Turned back at 2155 hrs. owing to being unable to pinpoint position. F. and G. NIL. H. Cloud 10/10ths at 3,000 ft.30 miles from enemy coast saw s/ls believed on enemy coast on return. Bombs brought back. R. 27/0105 Nov., 1943
15/27

FROM: H.Q. II GROUP INTELLIGENCE.
AI/426 27th Nov., 1943.
Thefollowing recd. from Bradwell Bay:-
COMPOSITE INTRUDER REPORT OPERATIONAL TRAINING
A. [redacted] B. One Mosquito VI SD/F F/O Orriss and W/O McIntosh (Can.) C. 1915/2105 D. Bomb Schipol. E. 2003. F. NIL. GENERAL:- Coast crossed at Aldeborough at 1954 and landfall made just N. of Katwijk. Schipol A/F was reached at 2003 and found illuminated with NW/SE V/L.

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Attempted to bomb but the bombs did not drop. On subsequent investigation it was found that mastern switch had not been switch on. Coast crossed out at point of entry. Very many lights were seen in Holland. Weather 6/10ths at 3,000 ft. Visibility good. R. 27/0105 Nov., 1943.

65/27

FROM: H.Q. II GROUP AI/423 27th Nov., 1943.

THE FOLLOWING RECD. FROM BRADWELL BAY:-

COMPOSITE INTRUDER REPORT OPERATIONAL TRAINING

A. 464. Sqdn. B. One Mosquito VI SE/W F/Lt. Miles A(Aust.) and F/O Nimmo (N.Z.) C. 1925/2115 D. bomb Soesterberg. E. N/A F. and G. NIL. GENERAL:- Set course from Bradwell Bay at 1930 hrs. and crossed coast at Aldeboro' at 1943 at 2,000 ft. crossed sea at 500' and on reaching Noordwijk VHF became U/S so returned to base. Weather 6/10ths at 3,000 ft. Visibility good.

R. 27/ 0740 Nov., 1943

ENCLOSE 4A

SECRET

C. IN C.
A.O.C., A.D.G.B.
O.R.O.(S.A.S.O.)
D.A.C./.W.C. NAV.
A.M.L.O.
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A.M.(F.O.I.)
A.M.(D.F. OPS.)
U.S. 8 F.C.
D.A.W.T.(D.R.L.S.)
TRAINING 3
9 GROUP (2)(D.R.L.S.)
S/L TART

FROM: H.Q. II GROUP
AI/362 26th Nov., 1943.
FORD COMPOSITE INTRUDER REPORT
A. 464 (RAAF) B. 1 Mosquito VI 2 X 500 lb S/L Iredale and F/L McCaul. C. 0022/0238 D. Flower Flrrennes. E. 0125/0127 Flew to target areaon D/F but no activity seen so bombs brought back. Weather 6-7/10 down to 800 ft. Back of front lying at coast N. of Cayeux. R. 26/0432 Nov., 1943

FROM: H.Q. II GROUP
AI/356 26th Nov., 1943.
BRADWELL BAY COMPOSITE INTRUDER REPORT OPERATIONAL TRAINING
A. 464 B. One Mosquito VI SB/O F/Lt. Miles (Aus.) F/O Mimmo (N.Z.). C. 0016/0130 D. Bomb Tivento A/F. E. N/A F. and G. NIL. GENERAL Turned back 15 mins. after crossing out owing to weather 9/10ths cloud 600/2,500 ft.
R. 26/0400 Nov., 1943.

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ENCLOSURE 3A

SECRET 27/26

C. IN C.	O.R.S.
A.O.C. A.D.G.B.	INT. 3"A"
O.R.O.(S.A.S.O.)	A.M.W.R.(D.R.L.S.)
D.A.C./W.C. NAV.	A.M.(F.O.I.)
A.M.L.O.	A.M.(D.F. OPS.)
S.P.R.O.	U.S. 8 F.C.
G.I.O.	D.A.W.T.(D.R.L.S.)
D.R.O.	TRAINING 5
OPS. 5	9 GROUP (2)(D.R.L.S.)
'Y' SERVICE,	I.W.O./C.I.U.
INT. 4/5	S/L TART.

FROM: H.Q. II GROUP
AI/357 26th Nov., 1943.
BRADWELL BAY COMPOSITE INTRUDER REPORT. OPERATIONAL TRAINING
A. 484 B. One Mosquito VI SB/P P/O Orris and W/O McIntosh
(Can.) C. 0055/0154 D. Bomb Gilze Rijen. E. N/A F. and G. NIL.
GENERAL:- Task abandoned as unable to pinpoint on ETA Dutch coast. Weather 5/10ths at 500 ft. over North Sea 1,000 ft. Dutch coast. R. 26/0412 Nov., 1943

36/26.

FROM: H.Q. II GROUP
AI/363 26th Nov., 1943.
FORD COMPOSITE INTRUDER REPORT
A. 464 Sqdn. B. Mosquito VI P/O Avery (NZAF) F/O Garbites (NZAF)
2 X 500 11 secs. C. 2357/0155 D. Flower St. Trond. E. Target not reached. F.Bombed Brussels/Melsbroek or dummy A/F G. NIL. H. Knocke. Unable to pinpoint. Saw double row of white lights with 3 or 4 red lights on port side of runway and outer circle at Brussels. Bombed from about 1500 ft. at 0101 hrs. Pilots suspects that dummy was bombed. as lights were bright. L/F from about 3 gun positions. Bomb flashes seen. Patrolled W. of A/F for about 10 minutes, then out 5 miles S. of Knocke. Weather:- Clear at coast, but 6/10 to 7/10 cloud patches, at about 1500 to 2,000 ft. R. 26/0432 Nov., 1943.

39/26.

FROM: H.Q. II GROUP
AI/365 26th Nov., 1943.
BRADWELL BAY COMPOSITE INTRUDER REPORT. OPERATIONAL TRAINING
A. 484 B. One Mosquito VI SB/W P/O Alexander and P/O Link
(Can.) C. 0024/0225 D. Bomb Venlo A/F. E. 0125/28. F. and G. NIL.
GENERAL: S/C from B. Bay 0030 hrs. and made landfall at Westhoof 0059 hrs. at 1,000 ft. course then set for Venlo and on the way Gilze Rijen and Eindhoven N/S runways were lit. Also beacon at Gilze flashing dashes. On ETA Venlo V/L and SW/NE flare path were lit and bombs 2 X 500 M.C. Inst. were dropped with unobserved results. Course then set for base. Enemy coast crossed at West Schouwen at 0159 hrs. 2,000 ft. Landed base 0245. Weather over sea 7-8/10 500/4,000 ft. Inland 5-6/10 at 5,000 deteriorating. R. 26/0450 Nov., 1943

38/26.

FROM: H.Q. II GROUP
AI/364 26th Nov., 1943.
FORD COMPOSITE INTRUDER REPORT
A. 464 B. Mosquito VI W/O Meskin, F/L Kennet 2 X 500 11 secs.
C. 0012/0205 D. Flower Juvincourt A/F. E. Target not reached.
F. and G. NIL. H. In Ault. No pinpoints after coast. In cloud at 2,000 ft. Laon dummy brightly lit, but no lights at Laon Athies or Couvron. Revolving beacon at Roye A/F. Bombs not dropped. Cloud at base about 1500 ft, so out at Ault. One burst of L/F from Cayeux. Coast not seen on exit. (0135). Weather:- Electric. storm at coast on return. R. 26/0436 Nov., 1943

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BRITISH SECRET.
UNITED STATES SECRET.

D.A.C. S/Ldr. Tart.
A.M.L.O.
H.Q.T.A.F.
D.R.O.
S.P.R.O.
F.C.W.R.
FILE.

NO. 2 GROUP FLASH REPORT - received by Telephone.

RAMROD. 265. Target:- Z.663.

24 Mosquitoes of 487 Sqdn. and 464 Sqdn.

487 Sqdn. Abortive. Bad Weather Lierre area. Visibility down to 1 mile.

464 Sqdn.- Arrived at target and found 10/10ths cloud. Four aircraft missing, two of 464 Sqdn. and two of 487 Sqdn.

One aircraft (believed) bombed the Marshalling Yards at Antwerp . (No confirmation). Four aircraft landed at base. Rest at scattered aerodromes.

1655 hrs.
9th October, 1943.

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ENCLOSURE 1A

COPY NO. 2.

C. IN C.
F.C.W.R.(S.A.S.O.). S/Ldr. Tert.
A.M.L.O.
C.I.O.
D.R.O.
D.A.C.
OPS.1.
W/C. TACTICS.
M.I.L.O.

FROM HQ. (2)GROUP
AI. 677.

NO 2 GROUP SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS PART 2 DAY 31ST MAY,1943.

OUTSTANDING FROM PART I.

TARGETS.	S/B. YARDS AND SHOPS ST. FLUSHING.		COKING OVENS ZEEBRUGGE.	CAEN/CARPIQUET A/F
SQUADRONS.	98	180.	464	21
A/C DETAILED.	6	6.	12	5
TOOK OFF	6	6	12	5
PRIMARY.	6	5	12	5
OUTSTANDING.	-	1	-	-

PRIMARY.

(1). Six Mitchell A/C of 98 Sqdn. and six of 180 Sqdn. The Whole formation led by W/C Matill took off to attack the S/B Works at Flushing. 6 A/C of 98Sqdn. and 5 of 180 Sqdn. are known to have attacked the target dropping 44 X 1000 lb. MC. .025 T.D. bombs from 10,000 feet at1730 hours on heading between 90 degrees and 150 degrees. One one crew saw any bomb bursts and these seemed to be slightly overshot. Six A/C are known to have taken photographs. Cloud over target 5/10 at 15,000 feet. Visibility excellent. Moderate accurate heavy flak over target and out to coast on return. A Mark XIV bomb sight was carried by W/C Magill.

PRIMARY.
(3). 12 A/C of 464 (RAAF). Sqdn. led by F/Lt. Sugen with 11 Group Fighter Escort attacked the Zeebrugge coking ovens at 17.33 hrs. from 10,000-10,500 ft. with 36 X 500 MC .025 and 48 X 250 GP..025. One Aircraft dropped its bombs safe owing to manipulative failure. Bursts seen on S.E. corner of works and some bombs seen to overshoot to south of Target to fall along west bank and in canal. No enemy fighters seen. But fair amount of accurate and inaccurate heavy flak was encountered. Photos taken.
WEATHER:- Light good. Cloud 7/10 at 15,000 ft. Vis. 10-12 miles.

OUTSTANDING.
(5). 1 Mitchell of 180 Squadron returning from Flushing ditched just off our coast. Three members of the crew were picked up by a boat and landed at Felixstowe.
OUTSTANDING FROM PART 1 OF SUMMARY 31ST MAY,1943.
(4). 5 Venturas led by W/C King and escorted by 11 Group attacked Caen/Carpiquet A/F dropping 9 X 500 MC. .025 16 X 250 G.P. .025 40 X 40 lb. G.P. and 40 X 30 lb. incendiaries at 1134 hrs. from 9/500 feet 11,500 feet.
No results were observed owing to evasive action and presence of cloud. 7 to 8 S/E E/A some identified as FW. 190's seen but these were preventted from attacking by resolute action of escort. Intense and very accurate H.F.F. and considerable L.F.F. encountered. 4 A/C damaged.

R. 010225 June,1943.

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