# HEADQUARTERS NINETY FIFTH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H) Office of the Operations Officer

13 January 1944.

SUBJECT: S-3 Narrative Report, 95A Group, Mission 11 January 1944.

TO : Commanding Officer, 95th Bombardment Group, APO 634.

- 1. Twenty a/c plus three spares took off from base at 0840-0856 to form 95A Group. A/C #6080 failed to take off due to engine trouble. Group rendezvoused over the field and left base at 0920.
- 2. Climb began at 0905 and Wing rendezvous was made at Buncher #8 at 14,000 on time. Cloud formation prevented assembly at briefed altitude. Proceeding to Lowestoft, the 95A became separated from the lead group. Leaving the English coast two minutes early, C.W. formation was resumed shortly after.
- 3. Bombing altitude was reached before crossing the enemy coast at 1102. Following the briefed route towards the target, 95A Group received a recall message at 1136. 95A Group turned back at 1147 over Minden, heading towards Osnabruck. Bombs were dropped on smoke bombs from the PFF at 1203 on Osnabruck, on a magnetic heading of 305°. Patchy cloud cover made results hard to determine, but hits were observed on target. area.
- 4. The briefed route was intercepted at Linyen. The Group crossed over Dutch coast at 15,000 under the choud layer. The English coast was recrossed at Great Yarmouth and the Group arrived over base at 1355. 95A landed at 1400-1432. One a/c from 385th Group and 8 a/c from 92nd Group landed at this station. The weather closed in shortly after these a/c landed.
- 5. Formation assembly and formation over the target are shown on Diagrams A & B respectively.

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For the Commanding Officer:

HARRY C. HUMFORD, Lt. Col., Air Corps, Operations Officer.

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TO : Commanding Officer, 95th Bombardment Group, APO 634,

- 1. Nine aircraft—six of lead squadron and three spares—took off from base at 0820-0825. The 95B composite group included six a/c from 100th Group, nine a/c from 390th, in addition to the xix a/c and three spares of the 95th Group. At 5,000° over this base rendezvous was effected with six a/c of 100th Group. At Buncher #8 the 95B Gp. rendezvous was completed as nine a/c of 390th came into position.
- 2. Because of clouds, 95B decided to climb through the overcast which was found to be about 2500' thick. As a result, C.W. formation was not effected at the briefed altitude as other two groups of 13C.W. stayed below the overcast, at 14,000'. 95B Group left Lowestoft at 20,000, 2 minutes late. Over the channel 95B Group tucked into what was thought to be the 13 C.W., as low group. A 360° turn was made, reason unknown, and it was then noted that 95B had joined the 45th C.W. Briefed route was again resumed and pilotage points observed.
- 3. The recall message was not picked up by 95B lead radio operator. However, a 180° turn was made at 1205 over Hamelin. Bomb bay doors were opened and 95B dropped its bombs on the smoke flare from PFF at 1219. The ground was practically covered by clouds, but visual results of bombing showed bomb hits in the town of Hereford. Black smoke was also observed.
- 4. After the bomb run 95B resumed a magnetic heading of 321° and intercepted briefed course at Dummer Lake and followed same out. Let down was begun, the 95B Group crossing the enemy coast at 1326. Reaching the English coast at Great Yarmouth, 95B landed at base 1428-1432.
- 5. Formation assembly and formation over the target are shown in Diagrams A & B respectively.

HARRY G. MUMFORD, Lt. Col., Air Corps, Operations Officer.

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11 January 1944

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