

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

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SUBJECT: Report of Operations Officer, Mission of 5 February 1944.

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

1. GENERAL NARRATIVE. The 95th Bombardment Group took off as the low Group in the 13th Combat Wing formation at 0810-0827 hours. By 0835 the Group formation had assembled over the base at 2000'. The climb to Combat Wing assembly altitude was started at this time, however the 95th Group was able to pick up the lead Group during the climb and climbed in trail with them to altitude. The 95th Group was in good Combat Wing formation at 0915 at 11,500' as the low Group.

Buncher #11 was crossed at 0946 at 16,400' where the 390th Group joined as the high Group. Splasher #7 was crossed at 0958 at 17,300' with all three Groups in good Combat Wing formation. Between Splasher #7 and Splasher #9 a descent of 1500' was made to stay out of clouds at flight altitude. Splasher #9 was crossed at 1019 at 17,200'. Beachy Head was crossed on route out at 1027 at 18,200' with the Combat Wing in good formation.

Landfall was made at $49^{\circ}57' 01''$ $05''$ E at 1043 at 21,300'. Bombing altitude was reached at 1053 and later additional altitude was gained to stay above the clouds at flight altitude. Descent later made to bombing altitude and route in to the target on course and uneventful.

The Primary Target was obscured by clouds so Wing Leader called that secondary target would be bombed. Interval was taken without an I.P. for secondary target with bombs away at 1213 at 22,000' on a heading of 341° Magnetic.

1000' was lost after bombs away and Combat Wing formation resumed. Route home was flown as briefed with enemy coast being recrossed at $49^{\circ}57' 01''$ $10''$ E at 1250 at 20,000'. Descent was started at this time with the English coast being recrossed at Beachy Head at 1315 at 11,000'.

Combat Wing leader broke Groups off at Beachy Head and 95th Group returned to the base in formation and landed at 1413-1429.

2. AIRCRAFT NOT ATTACKING. Twenty four (24) aircraft including three(3) spares left the base in the attached Diagram "A". Spare aircrafts #0322 and #7971 returned before becoming dispatched. Thus twenty two (22) aircraft were dispatched.

Of the twenty two (22) aircraft which went over the target three(3) failed to bomb. Aircraft #9869 failed to bomb due to salvo handle sticking and bombardier did not want to drop bombs late in Paris. #9793 and #1675 failed to bomb as these two bombardiers were watching the Squadron lead ship, #9869, and failed to bomb when he did not bomb. The formation over the target is shown in attached Diagram "B".

3. LOST AIRCRAFT. No aircraft were lost from 95th Group.

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Lt. Col., Air Corps,
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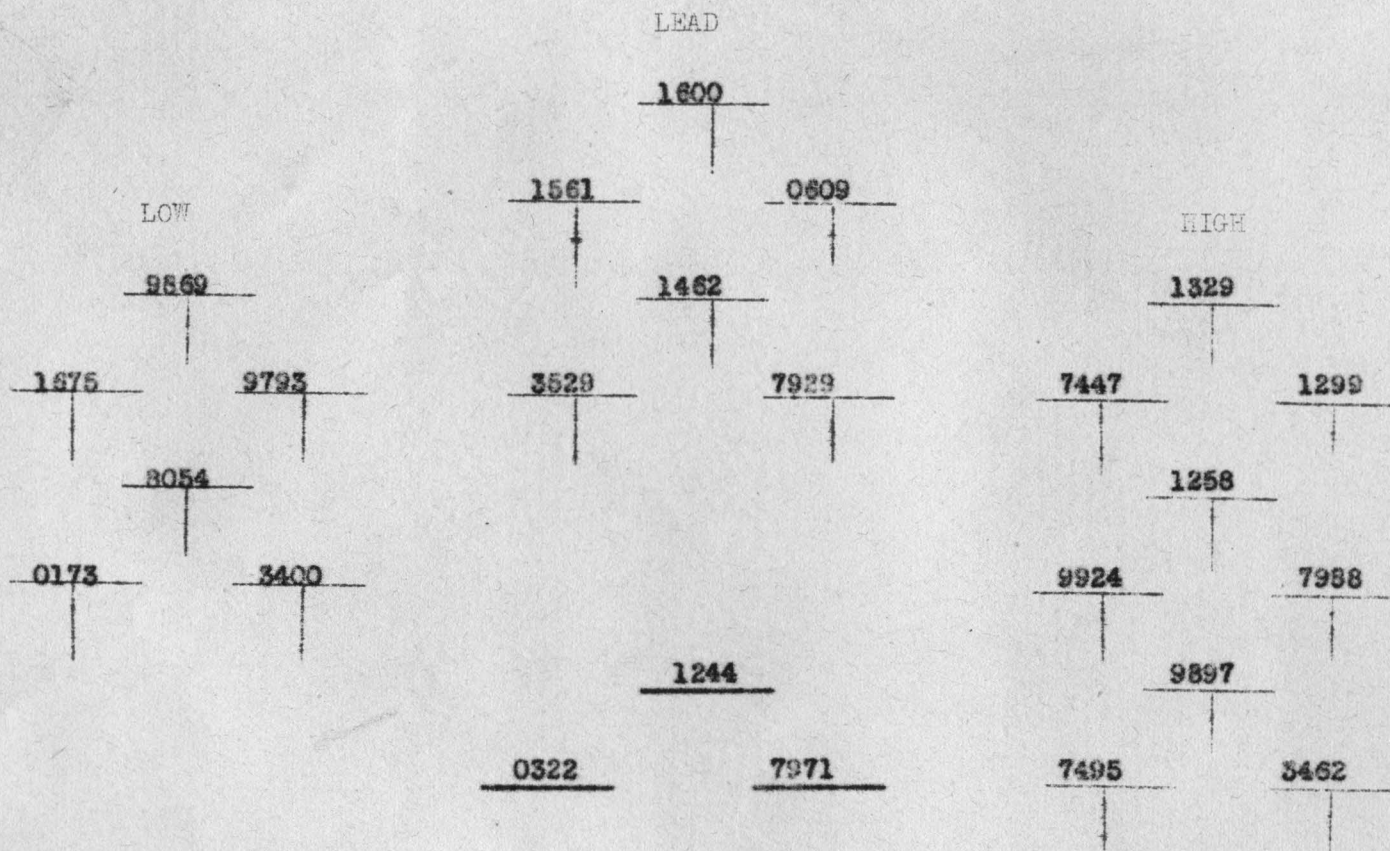
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95TH GROUP ASSEMBLY
DIAGRAM "A"

NINETY FIFTH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M)
Office of the Operations Officer

GROUP FORMATION FOR 1

DATE 5 FEBRUARY 1944



BRIEFING _____
 READINESS _____
 STATIONS _____
 TAXI _____
 TAKE-OFF _____
 RENDEZVOUS _____

EXTRA SHIPS

334 _____
 335 _____
 336 _____
 412 _____

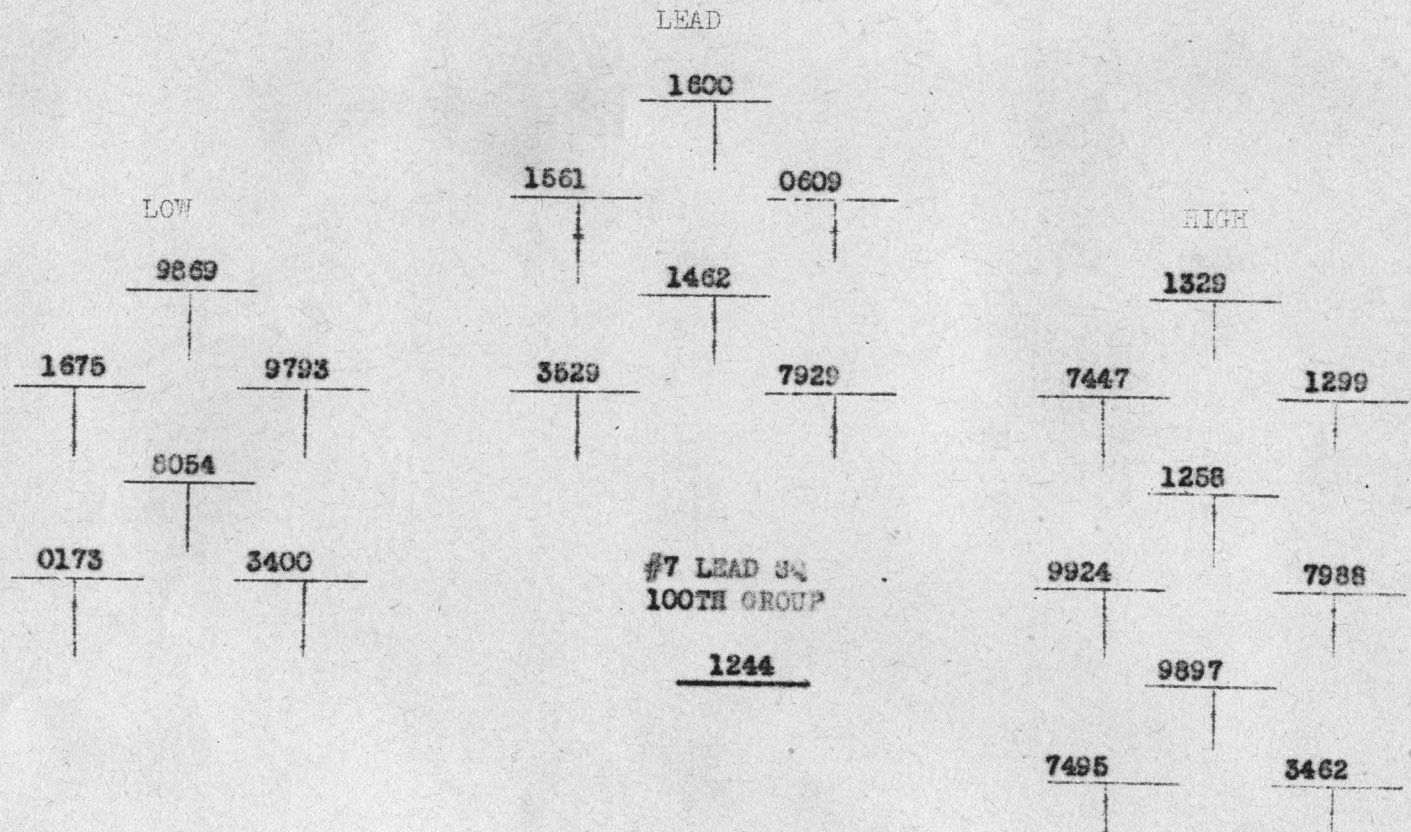
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**95TH GROUP OVER TARGET
DIAGRAM "B"**

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

GROUP FORMATION FOR

DATE 5 FEBRUARY 1944



- BRIEFING _____
- READINESS _____
- STATIONS _____
- TAXI _____
- TAKE-OFF _____
- RENDEZVOUS _____

- 447TH GROUP**
ENTER SLIPS
- 0112 _____
 - 331 _____
 - 335 _____
 - 336 _____
 - 412 _____

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~~SCOTT~~
 1600
 bcd
~~GOSTALES~~
 1561*
 b
~~BALMAN~~
 0609
~~INFIELD~~
 1329
 bcd
~~ROGERS~~
 9889
 bd
~~BIESECKER~~
 9793
~~TUBEROSE~~
 7971*
~~GEIB~~
 7447
~~LLOYD~~
 1299*
~~NEWSON~~
 1675
~~KROEGER~~
 3529
~~MILWARD~~
 1462*
~~STERN~~
 1258*
~~HIA T~~
 8054*
~~SEGER~~
 0173
 d
~~HANSEN~~
 3400
~~STUBER~~
 9924
~~BROWNLOW~~
 7988*
~~MCALLISTER~~
 9897
~~RUSSELL~~
 7495
~~MARKS~~
 3462
 d
~~VANSANT~~
 1244*
~~REIS~~
 0342
~~ROURKE~~
 7929

READINESS _____
 STATIONS _____
 TAXI _____
 TAKE OFF _____
 RENDEZVOUS _____
 0635
 0735
 0750
 0810
 0830

EXTRA SHIPS
 334 _____
 335 _____
 336 _____
 412 _____
 7882

RENDEZVOUS ALTITUDES:

390th _____
 20,000
 100th _____
 19000
 95th _____
 18,000

BOMBING ALTITUDES:

390th _____
 24,000
 100th _____
 23,000
 95th _____
 22,000

OPERATING PROCEDURES

CLIMB 150 mph @ 250 fpm
 CRUISE 155 mph
 DESCENT 170 mph @ 500 fpm

VHF AUTHENTICATOR "END RUN"
 VHF RECALL "CHINA BOY"

AF/DF N

CHANNEL A

VHF CHANNEL C
(IN) (OUT)

VHF CALL SIGNS:

BOMBERS GOLDSMITH THREE THREE
 FIGHTERS DENVER THREE
 GROUND TACKLINE
 (IN) (OUT)

VHF/DF STATIONS: SERUM B (BAKER)
FRANKLINHAM: on Channel A

BURY ST. EDWARDS: CHAIRLEG B(BAKER)
on Channel B

R/T COLLECTIVE CALL SIGNS:

3rd B.G. _____
 13th C.W. ZOOTSUIT
 95th B.G. " RED
 100th B.G. " YELLOW
 390th B.G. " GREEN

95th GROUP R/T CALL SIGNS

LEAD SQUADRON ZOOTSUIT RED ONE
 HIGH SQUADRON " "TWO
 LOW SQUADRON " "THREE

FLARES:

13th C.W. GG
 95th B.G. RG
 100th B.G. GG
 390th B.G. YG

COLORS OF THE DAY:

0700-1300 R-RR L-L ve B-Baker
 1300-1900 RR M-Mike X-Xray

PERIOD CARTRIDGE CHALLENGE REPLY

13th C.W. COLLECTIVE ALDIS

95th B.G. RED "B"
 100th B.G. RED "D"
 390th B.G. RED "J"

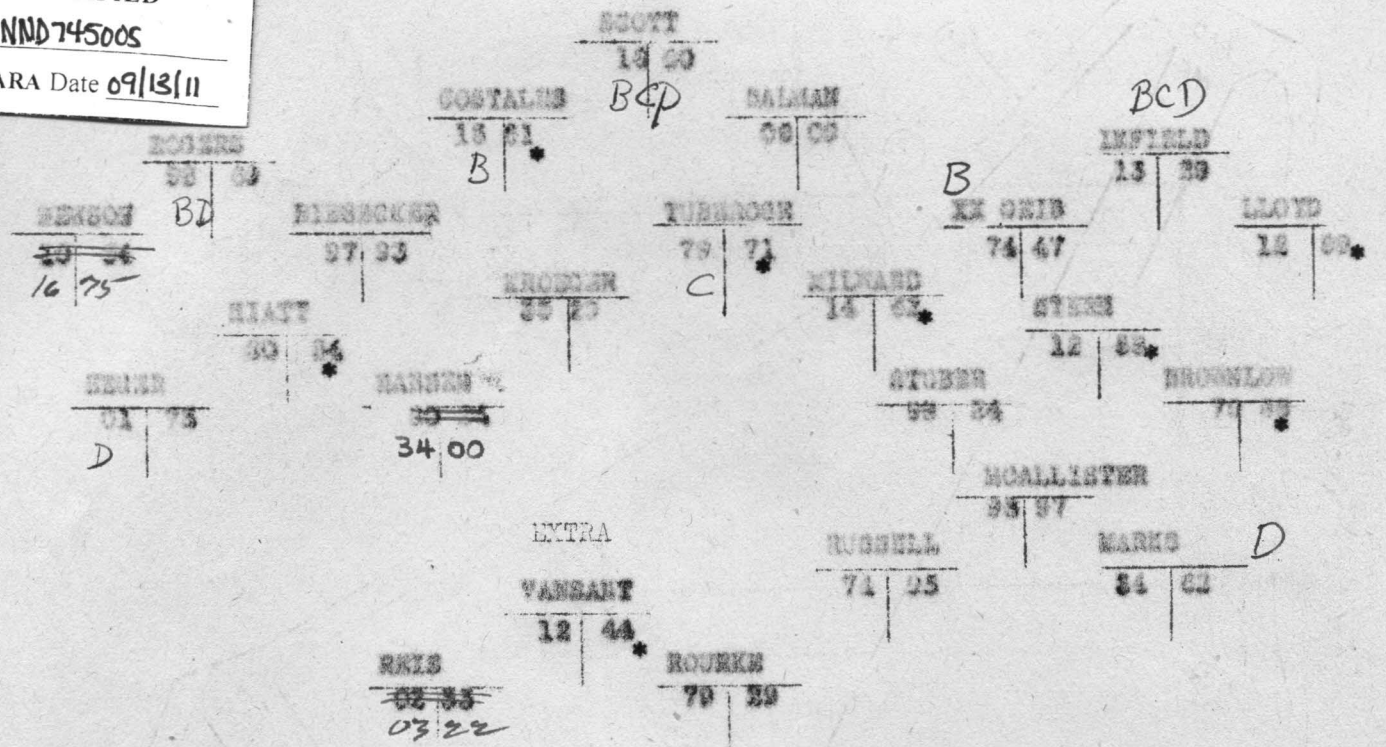
95th B.G. COLLECTIVE ALDIS FOR NIGHT RENDEZVOUS

LEAD SQ IRON AMBER "B"
 HIGH SQUADRON GREEN "E"
 LOW SQUADRON RED "B"

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READINESS _____
 STATIONS 0638
 TAXI 0735
 TAKE OFF 0750
 RENDEZVOUS 0810
0830

EXTRA SHIPS
 334 _____
 335 _____
 336 _____
 412 7682

RENDEZVOUS ALTITUDES:

390th
20,000
100th
19,000
95th
18,000

BOMBING ALTITUDES:

390th
24,000
100th
23,000
95th
22,000

OPERATING PROCEDURES

CLIMB 180 mph @ 250 fpm
 CRUISE 165 mph
 DESCENT 170 mph @ 300 fpm

VHF AUTHENTICATOR "END RUN"
 VHF RECALL "CHINA BOY"

F/DF

NUMBER A

VHF CHANNEL C

(IN) (OUT)

VHF CALL SIGNS:

BOMBERS _____
 FIGHTERS GOLDSMITH THREE THREE
 GROUND DENVER THREE
TACKLINE (IN) (OUT)

VHF/DF STATIONS: SERUM B (BAKER)
FRANKLINHAM: on Channel "A"

BURY ST. EDWARDS: CHAIRLEG B (BAKER)
on Channel "B"

R/T COLLECTIVE CALL SIGNS:

3rd B.D. _____
 13th C.W. ROUNDTOP
 95th B.G. RED
 100th B.G. YELLOW
 390th B.G. GREEN

95th GROUP R/T CALL SIGNS

LEAD SQUADRON 200TH IT RED ONE
 HIGH SQUADRON " " " " " "
 LOW SQUADRON " " " " " "

FLARES:

13th C.W. 00
 95th B.G. 20
 100th B.G. 00
 390th B.G. 10

COLORS OF THE DAY:

0700-1300 R-OR L-LOWE N B-BAKER
1300-1900 FR M-MAIR J-JAY

PERIOD CARTRIDGE SMALL REPLY

13th C.W. COLLECTIVE ALDIS

95th B.G. RED "B"
 100th B.G. RED "D"
 390th B.G. RED "J"

95th B.G. COLLECTIVE ALDIS FOR NIGHT RENDEZVOUS

LEAD SQUADRON AMBER "B"
 HIGH SQUADRON GREEN "B"
 LOW SQUADRON RED "B"

SCOTT

13 09

COSTALES

15 61

BCD

BALMAN

06 09

ROGERS

98 59

INFIELD

13 29

NEWSON

BD

BIESBCKER

97 93

TUBEROSE

79 71

XX GEIB

74 47

LLOYD

12 99

~~13 54~~

16 75

HIATT

80 54

KROEGER

57 29

MILNARD

14 62

STERN

12 58

SENER

01 73

HANSEN

~~25 24~~

34 00

STUBER

99 24

BROWNLOW

74 85

D

MCALLISTER

98 97

TRA

RUSSELL

74 95

MARKS

84 62

VANSANT

12 44

D

REIS

~~02 33~~

03 22

ROURKE

79 29

READINESS _____

STATIONS 0635

TAXI 0735

TAKE OFF 0750

RENDEZVOUS 0810

0830

EXTRA SHIPS

334 _____

335 _____

336 _____

412 _____

7002

RENDEZVOUS ALTITUDES:

390th

20,000

100th

18,000

95th

18,000

BOMBING ALTITUDES:

390th

100th 24,000

25,000

95th

22,000

OPERATING PROCEDURES

CLINE 150 mph @ 250 fpm

CRUISE 165 mph

DESCENT 170 mph @ 500 fpm

VHF AUTHENTICATOR "END RUN"

VHF RECALL "CHINA BOY"

MF/DF A

BOMBER-DOMBER A

VHF CHANNEL C

(IN) (OUT)

VHF CALL SIGNS:

BOMBERS GOLDEN TH THREE THREE

FIGHTERS DENVER THREE

GROUND TACKLINE

(IN) (OUT)

VHF/DF STATIONS: SERIM B (BAKER)

FRAMLINGHAM: on Channel "A"

BURY ST. EDMUNDS: CHAINLED B (BAKER)

on Channel "B"

R/T COLLECTIVE CALL SIGNS:

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HIGH SQUADRON " " TWO

LOW SQUADRON " " THREE

FLARES:

13th C.W. GG

95th B.G. RR

100th B.G. CC

390th B.G. RR

COLORS OF THE DAY:

<u>0700-1300</u>	<u>R-RR</u>	<u>L-LOVE</u>	<u>M B-BAKER</u>
<u>1300-1900</u>	<u>RR</u>	<u>R-MIKE</u>	<u>X-ARAY</u>
<u>PERIOD</u>	<u>CARTRIDGE</u>	<u>CHALLENGE</u>	<u>REPLY</u>

13th C.W. COLLECTIVE ALDIS

95th B.G. RED "B"

100th B.G. RED "D"

390th B.G. RED "J"

95th B.G. COLLECTIVE ALDIS FOR NIGHT RENDEZVOUS

LEAD SQUADRON AMBER "B"

HIGH SQUADRON GREEN "B"

LOW SQUADRON RED "B"

A.T.F.

C.W.

FORMATION DIAGRAM

95TH BOMB. GROUP (H)

DATE 5-2-44

TIME

Villacotblay Cr.

LEAD

Scott
1600

Low

Rogers
9869

Costales
1561

Ballman
0609

HIGH
Infield
1329

Newsom
1675

Biesecker
9793

Tuberoso
7971

Geib
7447

Lloyd
1299

Hiatt
8054

Kroeger
3529

Milward
1462

Stern
1258

Seeger
0173

Hansen
8024

Crash Landed

Vanzant
1244

Stuber
9924

Brownlow
7988

McAllister
9897

EXTRA

EXTRA A/C

Reis
0322

Rourke
7929

Russell
7495

Marks
3462

7882 lead

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