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

APO 634. 20 March 1944.

SUBJECT: Report of Operations Officer, Mission of 19 March 1944, Noball.

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

l. GENERAL NARRATIVE: 21 A/C plus two spares of 95 Group took off from base at 1545 - 1600 hours. By 1605 the Group had assembled at 2000' over base. Since there was no Combat Wing assembly 95 Group proceeded directly to the briefed control points. By 1800 the Group had reached an altitude of 21,000' at 51°15N 00°50'E. Course was set for Dungeness and English coast was crossed at 1806 at 20,900'.

At approximately mid-channel squadron peel offs had been effected and squadrons were in bombing formation. The lead squadron was forced to make a 360° turn in mid-channel to avoid possible collision with six ships from 390 Group.

The enemy coast was crossed at 1828 on course. Poor visibility due to ground haze made accurate target identification difficult.

The lead squadron did not identify the target in time to make corrections for a bomb run. All squadrons made a sharp diving left turn from the target. Let down was begun leaving the target and briefed course followed to English coast. All squadrons returned to base and landings were from 1911 1941 hours.

2. AIRCRAFT NOT ATTACKING: 21 A/C and 2 spares left base in formation shown in diagram "A". A/C # 0322 returned as unused spare. A/C #!s 1462, 1589, 1632, 1258, 3263, 8140, 1920, and 0178 failed to bomb, but were over the target. Formation over target shown in diagram "B".

22 A/C were dispatched and are credited with sorties.

3. AIRCRAFT LOST: None.

HARRY G. MUMFORD, Lt. Colonel, Air Corps, Operations Officer. Authority 7/505

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## AIRCRAFT NOT ATTACKING

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1. A/C 42-31462 42-31632 42-31589 42-31258 42-38140 42-3263 42-31920 42-30178 Sorties. Failed to attack after being over the target area due to: (A) Inibility to identify target.

For the Group Commander:

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

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NINETY FIFTH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (E) Office of the Operations Officer 95th GROUP DATE 19 March 1944. DIAGRAM "B" GROUP FORMATION FORM OVER TARGET LEAD CAMPBELL 14 | 62 WOODCOCK BAUMGARTNER 16 | 52 LOW 15 | 89 HIGH DEAN EDWARDS TPAIH 16 81 12 58 13 | 20 CAVALIER NEWS ON BIESECKER ROURKE MCFEE McCALL 35 75 81 | 40 02 63 98 | 84 16 VANSANT KROEGER LEASER 1920 98 69 19 | 39 BANNERMAN SCOTT RIVENBARK MILES SEGER 19 87 0178 18 | 35 19 | 89 24 18 ENGLE CUNNINGHAM 8123 99 | 24 EXTRA SHIPS 334 335 KE-OFF 336 ENDEZVOUS 412

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	Leoser 9869	* Rourk 8140	McFee 3263	* Kroo	
	* 5eger 1924	Bannerman 1887	Vansant 1920	* Miles 1835	Rivenbark 1989
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