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

APO 559. 4 June 1944.

SUBJECT: Report of Operations Officer, Mission of the afternoon of 2 June 1944.

TO : Commanding Officer, 95th Bomb Group (H), APO 559.

1. GENERAL NARRATIVE: The 95th Group, (12 ship group) flying as low Group in the 13th Combat Wing, took off from base at 1630-1641 hours and assembled over base at 9,000.

After assembly - climb to altitude was begun - and at 1730 hours, at 12,000 over Splasher # 6, the 95th Group joined the 13th Wing lead Group and remained with them in Wing formation.

Wing assembly was completed over Orfordness at \$37 hours, with the 390th Group joining the formation. Flight plan was followed. English coast crossed at Brighton, at 1927 hours, altitude 20,000. Enemy coast crossed at 1956 hours and I.P. reached at 2041 hours.

Groups assumed interval, run made on target and bombs were away at 2046 hours, altitude 19,9001.

The briefed course out was held - enemy coast recrossed at 2119 hours - English coast at 2140 ot an altitude of 9,500°, and base reached at 2225 hours.

Landing was effected at 2226 - 2244 hours.

- 2. AIRCRAFT NOT ATTACKING: Thirteen ships, including one spare, left base in formation. Shortly after crossing enemy coast, A/C 1675 lost an engine and was forced to turn back, bombing an airfield on the way out. The spare aircraft filled in the vacancy and twelve ships bombed the primary target.
  - 3. AIRCRAFT LOST: None.

HARRY G. MUMFORD, Lt. Col., Air Corps, Operations Officer. HEADQUARTERS 95TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H) APO 559

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2 June 1944

### AIRCRAFT NOT ATTACKING

95th Group Formation	Afternoon Mission of 2 June 1944
A. Number of A/C Scheduled  B. Number of A/C Taking Off  C. A/C Taking Off less unused spares  D. Number of A/C Attacking  E. Number of A/C Not Attacking  F. Number of Sorties  G. Detailed description of reasons was a second of the control of the contro	
None	

For the Commanding Officer:

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

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

E-E-26

2 June 1944

SUBJECT: Lead Navigator's Narrative, Ninety Fifth Bembardment Group, Second Mission of 2 June 1944, Achares, France.

TO : Commanding Officer, 95th Bombardment Group (H), A.A.F.

- 1. The Ninety Fifth Bombardment Group was flying as low group in the Thirteenth Combat Wing.
- 2. We took off at 1635 hours and assembled the group at 9000' over the base. We joined the lead group over SP # 6 at 1730 hours at 12000' and followed the lead group throughout the mission.
- 3. At 1837 hours we were over Orfordness. The flight plan over England was followed fairly well. We crossed the English coast at Brighton at 1927 hours, the Enemy coast was crossed at 4918N OO13W at 1956 hours. We were five miles south of briefed course to 4812N O123E, where we went back onto briefed course to the I.P. We reached the I.P. at 2041 hours. Bombs were away at 2046 hours, at 19900', on a magnetic heading of 067°. The briefed course was followed fairly well to the Enemy coast. The Enemy coast was crossed on course at 2119 hours at 19200'.
- 4. The English coast was crossed at 2140 hours at 5046N 0000E at 9500'. We were over the base at 2225 hours.

PAUL L. HINTERMEIER F/O., Air Corps, Lead Navigator.

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

E-F-26

2 June 1944

SUBJECT: Lead Bombardier's Narrative, Winety Fifth Bombardment Group, Second Mission of 2 June 1944, Achares, France.

TO : Commanding Officer, 95th Bombardment Group (H), A.A.F.

- 1. Bombing Approach and Run At the I.P. we made a turn to the right and immediately I picked up the target area and bomb bay doors were opened. As soon as we leveled out of the turn I took the ship over on A.F.C.E. and proceeded down the bombing run with no interference except for accurate and moderate flak, but it didn't hinder my sighting. Bombs were seen hitting the target. No enemy fighters were seen in target area.
- 2. Disposition of Bombs 13 A/C were dispatched from the 95th Bombardment Group loaded with 12 x 500# AN-M43 bombs each. 12 A/C were over the primary target in formation and all dropped 12 x 500# AN-M43 bombs each, with the exception of one A/C which only released six, due to a release malfunction, the other six were returned. All bombs were fused 1/10 nose and 1/40 tail. Total bombs on target were 138. A/C 1675 aborted and dropped its bombs at an A/D two miles west of Gaen, France on a magnetic heading of 350°, 18500° and at 2010 hours.
- 3. Types of Release Of the 138 bembs dropped at the primary target all were salvoed armed. The 12 bombs dropped on target of opportunity were released through the intervolometer with minimum spacing.

4. Tabular Summary - Aircraft		Bombs		Fuzing
Main Bombfall Over Target Bombing	No.	Size	Type	Nose Tail
Arhares, France. 12 12	138	500/	M-43	1/10 1/40
Total bombs on Target.	138	500#	M-43	1/10 1/40
Other Expenditures				
A/D 21 West of Caen, Fr. 1	12	500#	M-43	1/10 1/40
Bombs Returned.	6	500#	M-43	1/10 1/40
Total (loaded on A/C taking off).	156	500#	M-43	1/10 1/40

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TO : Commanding Officer, 95th Bombardment Group (H), A.A.F.

#### 1. Narrative.

- a. Bombing aids used were the A.F.C.E., C-2 and E-6-B computer.
- b. The maneuver at the I.P. was a turn to the right of 80°.
- c. Bomb bay doors were opened at the Initial Point.
- d. (1) No enemy resistance on bombing run with the exception of accurate, moderate flak, which did not hinder sighting operations.
  - (2) Weather had little or no effect of bombing run.
- (3) There were no unusual hostile tactics which interfered with the sighting operation, or the bombing run.
- e. Results of bombing were observed to be on the assigned M.P.I.
- f. No suggested tactical changes in bombing technique on any particular target or on all targets.
- 2. Bombardier's form 12-E modified is attached.

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