

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

14 June 1944.

SUBJECT: Report of Operations Officer, Mission of 14 June 1944,  
St. Trond/Brusthem Airdrome.

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

1. GENERAL NARRATIVE. The 95th Bomb Group formed the 13th "C" Combat Wing. Three Groups of twelve aircraft each took off from 0330-0412 with 95th "B" rendezvousing at 12,000' above the base at 0440, 95th "C" rendezvousing at 10,000' above the base at 0440 and 95th "A" rendezvousing above the base at 8,000' at 0445. 95th "A" Group was to lead with the 95th "B" Group high and the 95th "C" Group low. 95th "A" Group started a climb to Wing assembly altitude of 25,000' at 0445 and the low and high Groups fell into trail at this time. The 13th "C" Wing was in Wing formation prior to first assembly point at Felixstowe at 0619 hours at 23,000'. From this point the 13th "C" Wing proceeded to Manningtree crossing this point at 0622 and thence to Buncher 22 at 0629.

Division control point "A" at Buncher 2 was crossed at 0634 and correct interval taken behind the 13th "B" Wing. The English coast was crossed on route out at Orfordness at 0645 at 23,000'.

Enroute across the Channel the 13th "B" Combat Wing called that they were having trouble with a Wing ahead so it was agreed that the 13th "C" Combat Wing would drop back and thereby let the 13th "B" Combat Wing drop back if necessary.

Landfall was made on the enemy coast at 51°43' - 03°43'E at 0709 hours at 23,000'. Shortly after landfall clouds at flight altitude could be seen ahead, so a climb was started at 51°12' - 05°33' at 0731 to get on top of the clouds. The high and low Groups were peeled off two minutes prior to the I.P. as briefed and course from the I.P. to the target was flown as briefed. Due to cloud cover at the primary target the 95th "A" and "C" Groups bombed the secondary target. The 95th "B" Group bombed a target of opportunity, LeCulot Airdrome.

Bombs were away for the 95th "A" Group at 0806 at 26,000'. Bombs away for the 95th "C" Group at 0808 at 26,000'. The 95th "B" Group had fallen back into Combat Wing format on enroute to the secondary and the 95th "C" remained in trail for a comb run. Assembly was effected

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for the 13th "C" Combat Wing after bombing secondary.

Enroute to the enemy coast on route back 2000' altitude was lost and the enemy coast crossed north of course at 51°07' - 02°40'E at 0827 at 24,000'. Descent to minimum altitude was started at this point and the English Coast recrossed at Clacton at 0858 at 11,000'.

The three 95th Groups returned individually from Clacton so that descent through the breaks in the clouds could be simplified. The 95th Groups landed at the base at 0915-0949 hours.

2. AIRCRAFT NOT ATTACKING. Thirty nine aircraft took off to form the 95th "A", 95th "B", and 95th "C" Groups as shown in Diagrams "A". Of these planes one aircraft, # 1681 was lost over the channel.

Thirty eight aircraft were over the target in the formation shown in Diagrams "B". Thirty eight aircraft are credited with sorties.

3. LOST AIRCRAFT. Aircraft # 1681 left the formation over the channel with an engine on fire. Five chutes were seen.

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

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AIRCRAFT NOT ATTACKING

95th A Group Formation

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A. Number of A/C Scheduled.....	12	and 1 Spare
B. Number of A/C Taking Off.....	12	and 1 Spare
C. A/C Taking Off less unused spares.....	13	
D. Number of A/C Attacking.....	13	
E. Number of A/C Not Attacking.....	0	
F. Number of Sorties.....	13	
G. Reasons for A/C Not Attacking:		

None

For the Commanding Officer:

HARRY G. LUMFORD  
Lt. Col., Air Corps,  
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AIRCRAFT NOT ATTACKING

95th C Group Formation

Mission of 14 June 1944

A. Number of A/C Scheduled.....	12 and 1 Spare
B. Number of A/C Taking Off.....	12 and 1 Spare
C. A/C Taking Off less unused spares.....	13
D. Number of A/C Attacking.....	12
E. Number of A/C Not Attacking.....	1
F. Number of Sorties.....	12
G. Reasons for A/C Not Attacking:	

A/C 42-31681 Lost for unknown reason before reaching the target.

For the Commanding Officer:

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

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AIRCRAFT NOT ATTACKING

95th C Group Formation

Mission of 14 June 1944

- A. Number of A/C Scheduled..... 12 and 1 Spare
- B. Number of A/C Taking Off..... 12 and 1 Spare
- C. A/C Taking Off less unused spares..... 13
- D. Number of A/C Attacking..... 12
- E. Number of A/C Not Attacking..... 1
- F. Number of Sorties..... 12
- G. Reasons for A/C Not Attacking:

A/C 42-31681 Lost for unknown reason before reaching the target.

For the Commanding Officer:

HARRY G. GRIFFORD  
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th "A" Group  
sembly  
agram "A"

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GROUP FORMATION FORM

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LEAD

ENGLE

29 | 51

MCREYNOLDS

71 | 54

BESSER

78 | 56

LOW

HIGH

DELUCA

72 | 15

FORD

70 | 47

MILLER

72 | 64

GREENWALD

70 | 50

JOHNSON

72 | 01

SHERWOOD

81 | 78

HOUSER

18 | 67

CRAIG

15 | 89

ROMANCHEK

78 | 79

ROSSETTI

1514

BRIEFING \_\_\_\_\_  
READINESS \_\_\_\_\_  
STATIONS \_\_\_\_\_  
TAXI \_\_\_\_\_  
TAKE-OFF \_\_\_\_\_  
RENDEZVOUS \_\_\_\_\_

EXTRA SHIPS  
334 \_\_\_\_\_  
335 \_\_\_\_\_  
336 \_\_\_\_\_  
412 \_\_\_\_\_

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95TH "B" GROUP  
ASSEMBLY  
DIAGRAM A

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GROUP FORMATION FORM

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LEAD

SCOTT  
73 | 83

SLUSSER  
19 | 89

BULLARD  
70 | 68

LOW

HIGH

GILBERT  
78 | 44

DOHERTY  
71 | 94

MC CALL  
19 | 89

HARVEY  
69 | 93

BASTION  
14 | 10

LAIRD  
78 | 89

STREETON  
7 | 20

HEASCH NEAHN  
13 | 76

GRIFFIN  
19 | 92

SNOWDEN  
7205

BRIEFING \_\_\_\_\_  
READINESS \_\_\_\_\_  
STATIONS \_\_\_\_\_  
TAXI \_\_\_\_\_  
TAKE-OFF \_\_\_\_\_  
RENDEZVOUS \_\_\_\_\_

EXTRA SHIPS  
334 \_\_\_\_\_  
335 \_\_\_\_\_  
336 \_\_\_\_\_  
412 \_\_\_\_\_

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th "C" Group  
sembly  
agram "A"

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GROUP FORMATION FORM

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LEAD

HENDERSON

27 | 00

BUCKLAND

16 | 75

HOPSAES

72 | 32

LOW

HIGH

DANCISIN

77 | 97

LAJESKIE

72 | 57

SASSER

29 | 37

FERGUSON

19 | 20

HANNUM

81 | 40

WELLS

16 | 81

GILLES

80 | 54

WYATT

18 | 76

KINNEY

78 | 58

SALVIA

8123

BRIEFING \_\_\_\_\_  
READINESS \_\_\_\_\_  
STATIONS \_\_\_\_\_  
TAXI \_\_\_\_\_  
TAKE-OFF \_\_\_\_\_  
RENDEZVOUS \_\_\_\_\_

EXTRA SHIPS

334 \_\_\_\_\_  
335 \_\_\_\_\_  
336 \_\_\_\_\_  
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INTOPS SUMMARY NO. 45

PERIOD: 0001 hours 14 June 1944 to 2400 hours 14 June 1944

A. STATISTICS

	<u>Missions</u>	<u>Disp.</u>	<u>Sorties</u>	<u>Atkg.</u>	<u>Tonnage</u>	<u>Claims</u>	<u>Losses</u>			<u>OT</u>	<u>TOT</u>
							<u>E/A</u>	<u>A/A</u>	<u>N/T</u>		
Heavy Bomber Attacks	20	1525	1426	1348	2896.6	0-5-1A	3	8	0	4	15
Fighter Escort	3	103	96	0	0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	2+
Fighter Sweeps	22	629	583	0	0	4-1-7A	0	0	0	0	5+
Fighter Bombing	4	176	168	111	42.8	0-0-1A	0	0	0	0	0
Photo. Recon.	32	34	32	0	0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Weather Recon.	5	5	5	0	0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Special Operations	<u>14</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0-0-0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Totals	100	2486	2324	1459	2939.4	4-6-9A	3	8	0	4	22

+ Breakdown unavailable.

B. OPERATIONAL SUMMARY

1. Bomber Attacks

1525 heavy bombers, 853 B-17s and 672 B-24s from three bombardment divisions, were dispatched against eleven airfields in France, four in Belgium, and one in Holland, as well as an oil refinery in the Rhine Valley, and construction and supply sites in northern France. Clear weather prevailed over most of France and the majority of targets were successfully attacked. High cloud and contrails interfered with bombing in the low countries and north-eastern France, and with attacks by a small B-24 force dispatched to use a special bombing technique against tactical targets. The only e/a opposition was met by B-17s attacking A/Fs near Paris. The losses totalled fifteen bombers: 3 to e/a, 8 to AA, 3 B-17s to unknown causes, and one B-24 crash-landed. Bomber claims were 0-5-1.

502 B-17s were dispatched against six airfields in the Paris area. All primaries were attacked in clear weather between 0813 and 0913 hours from 18,000 to 24,000 feet. 437 B-17s dropped 668 tons G.P. and 113 tons I.B. with good results at Le Bourget and Creil A/Fs, fair to good results at Etampes, fair results at Coulommiers, and Bretigny A/Fs. Over 50 e/a were encountered by this force in the Paris area, but only three of the eleven losses were due to e/a attacks. Moderate to intense accurate flak was experienced at targets, accounting for five B-17s lost. There was minor damage to 142 a/c, major damage to 22. This force made the only bomber claims: 0-5-1.

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466 B-24s were dispatched against two A/Fs southwest of E Antwerp, the oil refinery at Emmerich in the Rhine Valley, and works and supply site in northern France. These primaries were all attacked in clear weather by 443 B-24s dropping 221 tons of Frags and 753 tons of G.P. Attacks were made between 0700 and 0753 hours from 16,000 to 24,500 feet. Results were excellent at Chateaudun, good at Emmerich, Eindhoven, and Domleger supply site, fair to good at Orleans/Bricy A/F, and poor at Beauvoir construction works. In addition to primaries, five opportunity targets were attacked with poor to fair results. This force met no air opposition, and flak was generally meager and inaccurate. There were no losses. 74 B-24s suffered minor battle damage.

The force of fifteen B-24s dispatched to attack rail bridges using a special bombing method found up to 9/10 cloud at targets, and only one primary at Ham Sur Somme, was attacked by seven B-24s dropping 7 x 1000 special G.P. bombs from 19,000 feet at 0640 hours. Results were fair. In addition, five a/c dropped 5 x 1000 on an unidentified opportunity target.

351 B-17s and 191 B-24s were dispatched against four A/Fs in the Brussels area and three in northeastern France. Dense contrails made the flying difficult and 3/10 to 9/10 cloud was reported over Belgian targets. Cloud prevented the attack on one French A/F, but all other primaries and eight opportunity targets were attacked by 302 B-17s and 154 B-24s at 0728 to 0832 hours from 11,000 to 26,000 feet. Results were good at Florennes and Brussels/Melsbroek, fair to good at Laon/Athies, fair at Le Culot and Lille/Vendeville, and poor at St. Trond. Results on opportunity targets were generally fair. This force met no air opposition, and moderate to intense accurate flak only in the Brussels area. Two B-24s were lost to flak, and one crash-landed in England suffering Category "E" battle damage, and one B-17 was lost to unknown causes. 120 bombers suffered minor battle damage, and 12 major damage.

Targets were attacked as follows:

<u>Targets</u>	<u>Attacking</u>	<u>Tons</u>		<u>Results</u>
		<u>Frag.</u>	<u>G.P.</u>	
Le Bourget	134 B-17s		332.2	Good
Coulommiers	24 B-17s		45.5	Fair
T/O ( Creil)	25 B-17s	24.7	21	Unobserved
Bretigny	69 B-17s	40.5	85.8	Fair
Melun	50 B-17s	35.2	46.8	Poor to Fair
Creil	66 B-17s	33.2	45.7	Good
Etampes	69 B-17s		87.7	Fair to Good
	<u>437</u>	<u>133.6</u>	<u>668.7</u>	
Chateaudun A/F	103 B-24s	83	132.3	Excellent
Orleans/Bricy A/F	97 B-24s	66	116	Fair to Good
Emmerich	61 B-24s	2.6	173	Good
Eindhoven A/F	63 B-24s	71.4	10.8	Good
Beauvois (construction works)	50 B-24s		125	Poor
T/O (A/F at 5011N-0250E)	10 B-24s		25	Poor
T/O (A/F at 5106N-0238E)	2 B-24s		5	Poor
Domleger (supply site)	44 B-24s		125	Good
T/O (Coxyde A/F)	7 B-24s		17.5	Fair
T/O (Beaches at 5107N-0723E)	4 B-24s		10	Fair

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<u>Targets</u>	<u>Attacking</u>	<u>Tons</u>		
		<u>Frag.</u>	<u>G.P.</u>	
Ham Sur Somme	7 B-24s		3.5	Fair
Unidentified T/O	8 B-24s		10.3	Unobserved
Lille/Vendeville	55 B-24s	64.7	87	Fair
T/O (Calas Tres)	12 B-24s		31	Fair
T/O (Z-290)	24 B-24s		31.2	Fair
T/O (Denain Drousey)	12 B-24s		7.6	Poor
Laon/Athies	39 B-24s		99	Fair to Good
T/O (Chievres)	70 B-24s	115	99.3	Unobserved
St. Trond	35 B-17s	48.2	22.1	Poor
Florennes A/F	95 B-17s	178.5	148.7	Good
Le Culot	52 B-17s		43.5	Fair
Brussels/Melsbroek	61 B-17s	31.8	110	Good
	<u>1348 (680 B-17s and 668 B-24s)</u>			

2. Fighter Escort

B-17s and B-24s attacking targets in northeastern France and Belgium in the morning were given close escort by only three Fighter groups of VIII Fighter Command, (103 a/c), while sixteen groups flew sweeps in the areas of bomber routes. Fighters flying sweeps and escorting missions reported approximately 130 a/c sighted, the majority in the Paris area and about 40 miles south of Brussels. The e/a in the Brussels region avoided combat, but there were combats with as many as 40 s/e in the Paris area, claims for these being 4-1-7. Several strafing attacks were made, on trains locomotives, motor vehicles, and one group shot up eight flak towers in the vicinity of Paris. One P-47, one P-51 and five P-38s are missing.

3. Fighter-Bomber Attacks

Four groups of P-47s (176 a/c) were dispatched to strafe and bomb the movement of two Panzer Divisions, proceeding southwest through the Cambrai-Amiens-Compiègne-Paris area. The Panzers were not located, so the fighters attacked a Luftwaffe headquarters, marshalling yards, airfields, and other targets of opportunity. 168 a/c flew sorties. Of these, 111 a/c reported bombing specific targets. One e/a was claimed damaged in the air. There were no losses.

The 36 P-47s attacking the Luftwaffe headquarters near Chantilly reported dropping 2 x 250 and 2 x 500 G.P. squarely on a U-shaped building, 2 x 500 on R.R. track east of the target, and remaining 25 x 500 and 40 x 250 on target area among 50 buildings with good results. Whole target area was reported suitable for heavy bombers.

Targets were attacked as follows:

<u>Target</u>	<u>Attacking</u>	<u>Tons</u>		<u>Results</u>
		<u>Frag.</u>	<u>G.P.</u>	
Luftwaffe Hq.	38		12.4	Good
Beauvais/Nivillers A/F12		2.4		Poor
Unidentified T/O near Andainville	4	1.2		Poor
Train west of Nanteuil				
le-Handouine	8		2	Fair
Beauvais M/Y	16		8	Good

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<u>Target</u>	<u>Attacked</u>	<u>Tons</u>		<u>Results</u>
		<u>Frag.</u>	<u>GP</u>	
Poix A/F (Dispersal area)	7		1.7	Unobserved
Poix A/F (Amm. Dump)	1		.3	Unobserved
Fricamps	1		.3	Unobserved
U/I T/O at Bailly	8		4.0	Unobserved
M/Y near Thourette	8		4.0	Good
Other targets	8		6.5	
	<u>111</u>	<u>3.6</u>	<u>39.2</u>	

4. Fighter Sweeps and Patrols

Sixteen groups of VIII Fighter Command - 629 a/c (242 P-38s, 190 P-47s, and 197 P-51s) were dispatched on beach head patrols and sweeps in the areas of the bomber routes. 583 a/c flew sorties - 234 P-38s, 178 P-47s, and 171 P-51s.

One group of P-51s encountered 40 s/e e/a in southern Belgium, but e/a evaded combat. Another group of P-51s met 12 - 15 Me-109s southwest of Paris, but they too eluded combat. 8 Me-109s attacked a P-47 group south of Soissons, resulting in claims of 0-0-3. A P-38 group, on supporting area sweep, engaged 48 s/e e/a in the Paris area, claiming 2-1-3; another group of P-51s engaged 16 s/e e/a in the same area, claiming 2-0-1. R.R. cars, locomotives, flak towers and trucks, and hangers were strafed resulting in the following claims; locomotives 2-0-1, RR cars 0-0-43, trucks 3-0-0, flak towers 8-0-0, hangars and buildings 0-0-1. In all these operations 3 P-38s, 1 P-47 and 1 P-51 were lost.

5. Photo Reconnaissance

34 a/c dispatched. 29 F5's and 5 Spitfires XI. Two a/c unsatisfactory, returned without completing mission, one a/c returned because of bombers in area, six did not photograph targets due to clouds but obtained other photos. Photos taken: railway bridges Ghent, Courtrai, Terneusen, and railway junctions of Ghent and Metz. D/A La Frilliere, Tours/ La Riche, Ginge/Mars, Possonier, Le Bourget A/F, Bretigny A/F, Creil A/F, Coulommiers A/F. Photos of Beauvais/ Nivillers, Cormeilles-En-Vexin, Beaumont Sur Oise, Dreux, Ille/Vendeville, Laon/Courvin, Etampes/Mondesier A/F, Brussels/Melsbroek, Dieppe and coast line north of Cape Gris Nez, Port Cherbourg, Cherbourg/Maupertes, Etampes, Le Croty, Calais, Le Tongue, Boulogne, Carvilles, Dunkirk, Le Culot, Chateaudun A/F, Illers, L'Eveque A/F.

6. Weather Reconnaissance

Five a/c dispatched. One Mosquito, weather, to 5040N-0800E, one Mosquito, scout 3rd Division target. One Mosquito, scout, 2nd Division target. Two B-17s routine weather mission. All a/c completed mission and returned safely.

7. Special Operations

8 B-17s dropped leaflet bombs on French cities. All a/c returned safely. 6 a/c were dispatched on special operations. All a/c returned safely.

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C. INTELLIGENCE

 1. Enemy Air Opposition

Apparently no specific attempt was made to intercept our bombers and there is no evidence of any planned concentrated attack. The chief attack of the day was made against the bomber force attacking Le Bourget A/F where seven B-17s were lost. 25 Me-109s engaged our a/c in the Chartres area, accounting for one B-17. Two a/c were lost to unknown causes while four were lost to flak. 25 FW-190s intercepted the force dispatched against Coulommiers, in the area southeast of Paris. 10 Me-109s later intercepted the low group and made a coordinated attack, but were driven off by fighter escort. About 15 Me-109s attacking in groups of two or four from 9 o'clock were encountered at the I.P. and during the bomb-run by the force attacking Melun A/F. The force dispatched against Creil observed 12 to 15 e/a near Nogent but were not attacked. At Etampes one e/a made a pass at the lead and low groups but failed to do any serious damage. Forces attacking targets in northern France, Holland and the Pas de Calais did not meet with any opposition.

Fighters reported sighting about 130 e/a, the majority in the Paris area and about 40 south of Brussels. E/a in the Brussels area avoided combat, but there were combats with over 70 e/a in the Paris area, with eight e/a south of Soissons and ten south of Reims. Claims of 4-1-7 were made. E/a appeared to be more determined than of late.

In the Paris area from 0800 to 0830 hours, eight FW-190s and 40 Me-109s were engaged by 50 P-38s, resulting in claims of 2-1-3

South of Soissons, one squadron of P-47s engaged eight Me-109s, and north of Paris, ten yellow-nosed Me-109s were sighted at 27,000 feet traveling NE toward Soissons. These were chased and engaged south of Reims, resulting in claims of 0-0-3.

In the vicinity of Claye Souilly, NNE of Paris, 16 FW-190s in two-shift elements bounced two P-51s, which engaged them, and in the vicinity of St. Soupplets, NE of Paris, ten FW-190s were chased by a P-51 group. These combats resulted in claims of 2-0-1.

 2. Flak

Moderate to intense accurate flak was encountered over targets in the Paris area, accounting for the loss of five B-17s and minor battle damage to 142 B-17s, major damage to 22.

The B-24 force dispatched against two airfields SW of Paris, an airfield near Antwerp, the oil refinery at Emmerich and a construction works and supply site in northern France experienced a generally meager and inaccurate flak. There were no losses, 74 B-24s received minor battle damage.

The B-17 and B-24 force dispatched against A/Fs in the Brussels area and in NE France encountered moderate to intense accurate flak only in the Brussels area. Two B-24s were lost to flak.

At Antwerp, flak was intense and accurate; at Ostend and Nieuport, meager inaccurate; Melun, meager accurate; Amiens and Beauvais, moderate accurate; Eindhoven, meager inaccurate; and flak cars at Arras was meager and inaccurate.

3. OBSERVATIONSBomber Observations

A tank concentration observed near edge of woods at 4945N-0115E.  
 Truck movement in wooded area at 4819N-0056E.  
 40 tanks parked in center of road at les Andelys, 4915N-0125E.  
 24 vehicles going east from Rouen at 0926 hours.  
 A vehicle convoy about one mile long at 4835N-0030E at 0735 hours.  
 Several large a/c seen in dispersal area on A/F at 4804N-0122E.  
 A truck convoy observed at 4818N-0303E, headed NW for coast, (convoy about two miles long).  
 Two large runways on A/F at Furness are well camouflaged and apparently not damaged.  
 Lens M/Y very active at 0711 hours.  
 75 barges at 5138N-0600E at 0727 hours.  
 Mazidon M/Y very full and very active.  
 A convoy of trucks going north at 4830N-0051W.  
 30 e/a, single and twin engined, parked on Dreux at 0846 hours.  
 Airfield at 4842N-0121E.  
 Large concentration of rolling stock in M/Y at Villy, 4854N-0007W and also at Mazidon at 4905N-0004W.  
 10 barracks at 4800N-0005E, 7 miles west of Le Mans.  
 Army camp of 20 buildings seen at Gallardan at 4832N-0141E.  
 M/Y at Mezidon 4905N-0005W filled with freight cars.  
 M/Y at 4836N-0210E, much activity.  
 M/Y at 4915N-0135E, much activity at 0804 hours.  
 M/Y filled with cars at 4915N-0020E.  
 6 trucks pulling large guns on a road going north seen to enter woods, at 4853N-0030W.  
 M/Y at 5056N-0308E, active, at Roulers.  
 M/Y at Douai, 5024N-0306E, active.  
 New landing strip (possible Zwevezele A/F) at 5108N-0320E.  
 100 closely spaced vehicles moving in SW direction along highway from Soignies to Mons at 5035N-0405E.  
 Heavy traffic moving in both directions on Caen Courtrai highway at 5050N-0325E.  
 25 unidentified e/a plus 5 JU-88s seen on runways at 5107N-0240E at one of the two Ostend A/Fs.  
 At 5102N-0252E, 36 oil storage tanks in tank farm.  
 At 5038N-0347E, large freight train heading north toward Ath.  
 At 5029N-0332E (Deynge) saw large convoy on road heading west.  
 Ammunition dump noted at 5006N-0318E.  
 Large number of enemy trucks and tanks going inland from Ostend to Aelgre at 5103N-0315E.  
 Ammunition dump at 5109N-0328E.  
 Large troop movement heading south on canal between Bourg-Leopold and Diest, at 5100N-0509E.  
 Enemy fighters on A/d 5111N-0328E (possibly St. Denis-Westrem).  
 Numerous barges at mouth of sea inlet just off Doorn, Holland, 5158N-0403E.  
 Race track appeared converted into A/F near Anderghen, 5049N-0426E.  
 Large camp in woods at 5100N-0300E.  
 At 5109N-0345E at Ghent A/F activity.  
 Net over possible ammunition dump with two objects possibly tanks at south end of A/F (possibly St. Denis Westrem).  
 M/Y at 5029N-0410E at La Leuver active.

Oil tank camouflaged at 5057N-0255E near wood south A

Train moving up into south Brussels M/Y 5055N-0529E.

At 5028N-0412E heavy troop movement south of La Leuwer, appeared stationary. Filled about 6 miles of road and was crowded with trucks.

Ghent convoy 20 to 25 trucks heading NW, 5130N-0430E (north of Antwerp) 2 trains moving north, 1 moving south.

Truck convoy heading west Ghent and Bruges, 5115N-0330E.

At 5033N-0350E, flashes in woods, but no AA gunfire.

50 medium-sized oil tanks in field at 5103N-0304E.

Army camp in woods at 5034N-0355E.

Motor convoy halted at 5054N-0355E, SW of Alost.

Fighter Observations

At 4VM-3704, flak tower destroyed.

At 4VR-4473, 2 flak towers destroyed.

At 4VM-4905, 3 flak towers destroyed and 3 water towers destroyed.

At 4VR-6679, 2 flak towers destroyed.

8 plus JU-88s on A/F at QZ-8505.

Bethune A/F, 5 t/e a/c seen on ground.

Unusually large bursts of flak seen over Paris area 25,000 feet.

Resembling a bomb explosion.

6 Me-109s observed on A/F 4VH-6238, 0850. Cement runway. No dispersal seen from 10,000 feet.

No flak from St. Trond A/F.

Belt of tracking flak followed R.R. tracks approx. from 4VJ-8758, Lauvain 4VJ-5828, Nivellas, heavy moderate accurate on altitude.

At About 0919 in mid-channel on line from Dunkirk to Felixstowe, splash - then oil seen.

25 gun emplacements 4VS-0575.

A/F with camouflage 4VW-5694.

Convoy of 10 - 15 trucks sighted going southwest at 4VN-9298.

No e/a on Amiens/Glisy, Rossiers, Roye/Amey or Albert A/Fs.

4. Damage to Enemy Installations

Le Bourget - Good Results.

Ten concentrations G.P. bombs cover most of the dispersal area and runway on northern side of A/F. In southwest hangar area two medium-sized and one large flight hangar received direct hits. These hangars can be seen completely demolished. In the hangar works shops area on the western side of the A/F, two large hangars received complete hits. One of these hangars is completely demolished, the other, 50% demolished. One work shop received direct hit and is severely damaged. Two small unidentified buildings received direct hits. Single concentration fell into this area which is cloud covered, and it is probable that more direct hits may be made on two other hangars located in this area. In the northern dispersal area, five a/c shelters received direct hits, 22 direct hits on the runway located north of the main A/F installations. Concentrations of bombs on the work shops at the eastern edge of field hidden by cloud.

Etampes/Mondesir - Fair to Good Results.

Six concentrations of bombs cover the hangar area in northwestern dispersal area, southeastern dispersal area and ammunition area. In the hangar barracks area, one large hangar 180 x 360 ft. at least ten direct hits;



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two large hangars received direct hits; two medium-sized hangars received direct hits; four barracks buildings received direct hits. In the northwestern dispersal area, four a/c shelters received direct hits. Railway lines adjacent to this area received at least eight direct hits. In the ammunition area two small buildings received direct hits.

Coulommiers/Boisins - Fair Results.

Two concentrations of bombs covered the junction of the runways and eastern dispersal areas. These concentrations are from 4 to 6/10 cloud covered. Three a/c shelters in eastern dispersal area received direct hits. One blast revetment and one small unidentified building in same area had direct hits.

Creil - Good Results.

Six concentrations of G.P. and fragmentation bombs cover the runways and northern dispersal area. At least fifty direct hits on the northwestern southeastern runway, and 47 direct hits on the east-west runway. In the northern dispersal area two a/c shelters received direct hits, one of these burning late in the attack. At least four direct hits on fuel storage area at northern end of field. Absence of fires or explosion indicates this is no longer used.

Bretigny - Fair Results.

Five concentrations of G.P. and frag bombs fell on A/F and adjoining fields. In the hangar area one large and one medium-sized hangar received direct hits. Three concentrations cover the runway and center A/F areas. 22 direct hits on east-west runway. Two concentrations are in evidence on the north-east south-west runway. Cloud over this area makes pin-pointing on strikes impossible. One concentration of bombs seen starting to burst in ammunition area. Photo coverage is not complete and prevents assessment of damage. One concentration of frag bombs in open field one mile west of the center of A/F.

Melun/Villaroche - Poor to Fair Results.

Two concentrations of frags and two concentrations of G.P. bombs on or near target area. Ten direct hits on east-west runway with G.P.s. Machine gun testing range hit by at least five frag bombs. Main weight of the pattern fell in open field immediately southwest of the A/F. Damage to A/F slight, no a/c on field at time of attack.

Beauvoir - Poor Results.

Hit a dummy airdrome. 16 bursts in the vicinity of the target area.

Domleger - Poor Results.

Nearest bursts were 6000 yards from target.

Orleans/Bricy A/F - Fair to Good Results.

A/F blanketed by small G.P.s and Frags. A petrol storage was hit, which caused a large explosion and a large fire.

Chateaudun A/F - Good Results.

A good pattern of G.P.s and Frags across most of the A/F. 3 large



hangars are completely covered by bursts of Frags and G.P.s

Emmerich Oil Refineries - Good Results.

Two squadrons hit target very well. Direct hit on target starting large fire and explosions.

Eindhoven A/F - Poor Results.

Only one squadron hit A/F with frags.

Targets Azon Operation - Good Results.

In the Hamm area one burst about 300 feet from bridge. In the Arras area a very near miss, about 50 feet from German military headquarters. One burst on a bridge, and one burst on canal lock.

Florennes/Juzaine A/F - Good Results.

Five groups carrying 250 lb. G.P. bombs swept center of the field with considerable number of hits on three runways. Three groups dropped 269 lb. Frag. bombs in the south dispersal area covering the area quite completely.

Chievres A/F - Good Results.

Three groups dropped 100 and 250 lb. G.P. bombs on the south two-thirds of the field. Numerous hits on east-west runway and southern half of the north-south runway. Most of the southeast dispersal area was hit by patterns of 100 lb. Frag. clusters and 100 lb. G.P.

Le Culot A/F - Good Results.

Two groups of 100 lb. G.P. bombs blanket the center of the field with numerous hits on the SW-NE runway, and a few hits on the NW-SE runway.

Lille/Vendeville - Good Results.

100 lb. G.P. from approximately one and one-half groups dropped on the field covering the area occupied by the remains of the hangars and adjacent field, and also the southeastern part of the field. Several hits on the W-SW and E-NE runway. 100 lb. Frags. from two groups covered about one-third of the area occupied by the south dispersal area and a small part of the area of the ammunition dump.

St. Trond-Brusthem A/F - Fair Results

150 lb. Frag. clusters rzked the east and south parts of the field covering both of the N-SE and SW dispersal areas. One fire was observed burning in the north dispersal area, probably an a/c. New widely dispersed areas were noted, making it questionable whether many a/c were parked in old shelters.

Brussels/Melsbroek - Good Results.

250 lb. G.P. bombs from three groups covered the central and southern part of the field, including the central dispersal area. A number of strikes on the south runway. Frag bombs from one group covered about two-thirds of the western dispersal area.

Laon/Athies - Fair Results.

500 lb. G.P. bombs probably made a few hits on each of three runways, one small pattern of frag bombs fell along one runway. Two large t/e a/c noted in the dispersal area, probably not damaged.

Clastres A/F - Fair to Poor Results

One pattern of frag bombs run from the northeast to the northwest dispersal area across the north side of the field. Possible damage to a few shelters.

Denain/Prouvy A/F - Poor Results

One group dropped 100 lb. G.P. across the northwest corner of the field. Probably no damage except to perimeter track.

Cambrai/Epinoy - Unobserved

One group dropped 100 lb. G.P. bombs which landed close or possibly on the field. No pictures of the strikes.

5. Ground and Naval OperationsGround Situation at 1000 hours 14 June 1944.

1st Army - no appreciable change. Heavy fighting continues in Carentan and Montebourg areas.

Second British Army - Bitter fighting continues in area of Villers Bocage where strong forces of enemy armor were met. An enemy infantry counter attack at 2000 hours on 13 June was repulsed in the area of Tracy Bocage. Heavy fighting continues east of Caen.

Naval Situation - Period 0900/13 - 0900/14 June 1944.

U-Boats - The situation in the Atlantic is quiet, but activity continues in the western channel. A catalina sank a U-Boat northeast of the Shetlands yesterday, but was itself shot down. Survivors from both the aircraft and the U-Boat have now been picked up. Another U-Boat was sunk by an aircraft 40 miles southwest of Ushant.

E-Boats - The usual attempts were made during the night to penetrate both the east and west protective screen of the cross channel route but without any success. Early yesterday over 30 attacks were made on enemy shipping by Beaufighters, Albacores, Swordfish and Wellingtons. Two E-Boats were destroyed two probably destroyed, and ten were damaged, and damage was also inflicted on several minesweepers and auxiliaries.

E-Boats, probably on anti-invasion patrol, were active off Boulogne, but made no attempt to cross channel.

Wellingtons attacked 5 E-Boats at 0215 hours 15 miles northwest of St. Valery, sinking 1 and damaging 3.

English Channel

Two H.M. Destroyers encountered seven minesweepers and a small convoy

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to the south of the Channel Islands last night. Preliminary that two minesweepers were sunk, two probably sunk and four other ships damaged. A Frigate sank a minesweeper off Cap de la Hague. M.T.B.s in the same area also sank a minesweeper and damaged another. Allied warships continue to give deep supporting fire in the center of the front and close support on the flanks of our Armies.

Build Up - The convoy program continues to function smoothly and the stores and personnel discharged maintains a satisfactory total. The shelters established by British and American sectors are being linked to the shore by jetties and discharge of stores from the larger craft is thus facilitated.

Enemy Air Activity

Minelaying on a considerable scale is being attempted by the G.A.F. of the swept channels and area off the beaches.