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

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6 July 1944

SUBJECT: Lead Navigator's Narrative, Ninety Fifth Bomb Group, Mission of 26 June 1944, Drohobyex, Poland.

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

- 1. The 95th Bomb Group flew as high group, with the 390th Group leading. We took off at 0855 hours and formed the group with no difficulty. Wing rendezvous was to be made at Mirgerod, Russia; however the lead group came into the rendezvous point five minutes early, without giving us adequate warning. We made our rendezvous point two minutes early at 1029 hours and the lead group was still within sight. They "S"ed and the proper interval was obtained without difficulty. The low group joined us at the briefed point.
- 2. Briefed course was followed to the target. Eighth Air Force fighters began escort at Brody, Poland as briefed. Fifteenth Air Force fighters joined us near the Rally Point. The bombing run was visual and the target was picked up without difficulty. Results were excellent, Bombs were away at 1306 hours on a true heading of 227° at 22700.
- 3. We were able to do pilotage along the entire route, and the briefed course was followed from the target to our base in Italy, with minor deviations to avoid possible flak areas.
- 4. We left the Yugoslav coast at 4311N 1710E at 1551 hours, 13300* altitude and crossed the Italian coast at 4156N 1603E at 1625 hours, 5500* altitude. We were over our base at 1638 hours and landed at 1650 hours. All times were G.C.T.

MALCOLM D. DURR Captain, Air Corps, Lead Navigator.

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APO 559. 7 July 1944.

SUBJECT: Report of Operations Officer, Frantic Mission of 26 June 1944.

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

1. GENERAL NATTATIVE: The 95th group forming the lead and high squadrons of the high group of the 13th combat wing took off at 1155 hours and formed over the base at 12,000. By 1308 the group had assembled, the low squadron being furnished by the 100th group. At the wing assembly point the 390th group, leading, was approximately 5 minutes early. They were in sight however and the 95th and 100th groups flying as high and low groups respectively, were able to close up into wing formation by 1430 hours.

At 1505 the climb to bombing altitude was started, 23,000 for the 95th group. The I.P. was reached at 1557 where the normal group peel off was used. Bombs were away at 1606. The rally was effected as planned and the route was flown as briefed on to the bases in Italy.

The 95th group reached the assigned base at 1638 and landed at 1945 to 2000 hours.

2. AIRCRAFT NOT ATTACKING: Nineteen aircraft including one PFF left the base in the formation shown in attached diagram "A". Before reaching the target 5 aircraft from the 45th wing joined the formation. The formation over the target is shown in attached diagram "B".

Of the 24 aircraft which went over the target, (5 from the 45th wing) all bombed and are credited with sorties.

3. LOST AIRCRAFT: None.

JAMES A HEARN, Capt., Air Corps, Asst. Opn. Officer.

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APO 559

STATISTICAL CONTROL REPORT OF AIRCRAFT NOT ATTACKING

13TH COMBAT BOMBARDMENT WING

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JULY 1944

PART I - TABULAR SUMMARY:

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JUNE 1944

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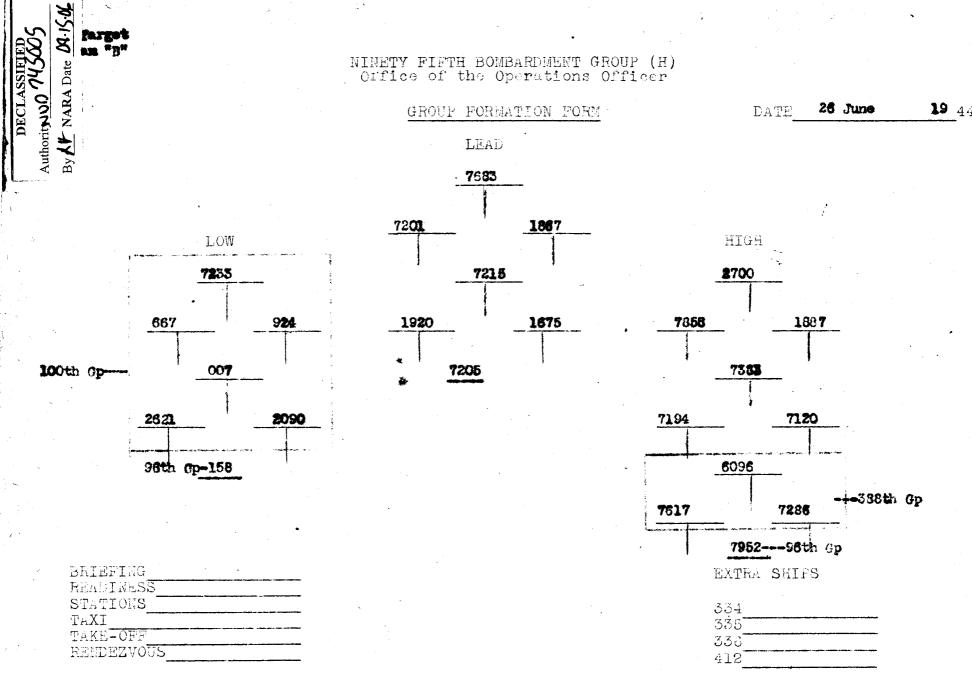
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PART II - REASONS WHY AIRCRAFT DID NOT ATTACK OR FAILED TO TAKE OFF:

Sortie

Combat Gp A.C.S.N. Category Reason for Failure & Corrective Action (Yes-No)

LARRY L. KERR, Capt., Air Corps, Actg., Opn., Officer.



By A NARA Date

HEADQUARTERS EIGHTH AIR FORCE AAF STATION 101 APO 634

INTOPS SUMMARY NO. 57

FERIOD 0001 hours 26 June 1944 to 2400 hours 26 June 1944.

A. STATISTICS									â		
	Mission	Disp.	Sorties	Atleg.	Tonnage	Claims	E/A	A/A	N/E	OT	TOTAL
Heavy Bomber Atta	cks 0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fighter Escort	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fighter Sweeps	0	. 0	0	0	,0	0	0	O	. 0	0	0
Fighter Bombing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Photo Recon.	8	8	6	0	0	0	0	Ó	0	. 0	O
Weather Recon.	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Special Operation	ıs <u>24</u>	24	24	2)+	<u>o</u>	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	37	37	35	24	0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0

B. OPERATIONAL SUMMARY

- 1. Bomber Attacks
 Nil.
- 2. Fighter Escort
 Nil.
- Fighter Sweeps
 Nil.
- 4. Fighter Bombing
 Nil.

5. Photo Reconnaissance

Eight a/c dispatched (4 F-5s and 4 Spitfires) on damage assessment and other missions to northern Germany. Three a/c photographed assigned targets at Hamburg, Bremen, Hitzacker, and Arnimswalde. Two a/c failed to get targets due to weather, but obtained other photos; one a/c failed to get any pictures due to weather; one a/c returned early - radio unserviceable. One a/c assigned targets in Warsaw, Brest Litovak, and Kowel. Results unknown; pilot ordered to land away from base.

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6. Weather Reconnaissance

Five a/c dispatched (3 B-17s and 2 Mosquitoes). Two B-17s completed routine weather flights; one B-17 and 2 Mosquitoes completed special flights over England.

7. Special Operations

Twenty-four a/c on special operations and all returned safely.

C. INTELLIGENCE

- 1. Enemy Air Opposition
 - Nil. 2. Flak
 - Nil.

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- 3. Observations
- 4. Damage to Enemy Installations
- Nil.
- 5. G. A. F. Activity over England

Period: Sunrise 26 to sunrise 27 June 1944.

131 pilotless a/c were detected. 91 made landfall, of which 62 reached the London area. 12 are reported destroyed.

2 e/a operated over the Channel.