

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

APO 559.
7 July 1944.

SUBJECT: Report of Operations Officer, Frantic Mission of 5
July 1944.

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

1. GENERAL NARRATIVE: The 95th group, flying as lead group of the 13th combat wing, took off at 0750 - 0810 hours and assembled over the base at 5,000'. The lead and high squadrons were flown by the 95th group, the low squadron by the 100th group, and the 3rd element of the high squadron plus two air-bourne spares were furnished by the 45th wing.

By 0835 the group had assembled and a climb to 10,000' was started. The wing assembly had been planned at 6,000' but due to a layer of cloud it was made at 10,000'. The first control point was made on time, at 0928, and the 390th group flying as high group and the 100th group flying as low group joined the formation, and course was set for the target.

The Italian coast was crossed on the route out at 1022. Briefed course was followed to the I.P., the climb to bombing altitude being started at 1150 hours (20,000' for the 95th group).

The I.P. was reached at 1317 and the normal group peel off was used. On the first run over the target the 95th group was unable to bomb due to smoke from previous groups obscuring the target. A second run was made and by coming in downwind the bombardier was able to see the target. Bombs were away at 1340.

After the target run the rally was effected and the route across France was flown as planned. The French coast was crossed on the route to England at 1612 and a let down to minimum altitude was started.

The 95th group arrived at the home base at 1705 and landed at 1715 - 1730 hours.

2. AIRCRAFT NOT ATTACKING: 24 aircraft, including one PFF left the base in the formation shown in attached diagram "A".

All bombed the primary and are credited with sorties. The formation over the target is shown in attached diagram "B".

3. LOST AIRCRAFT: None.

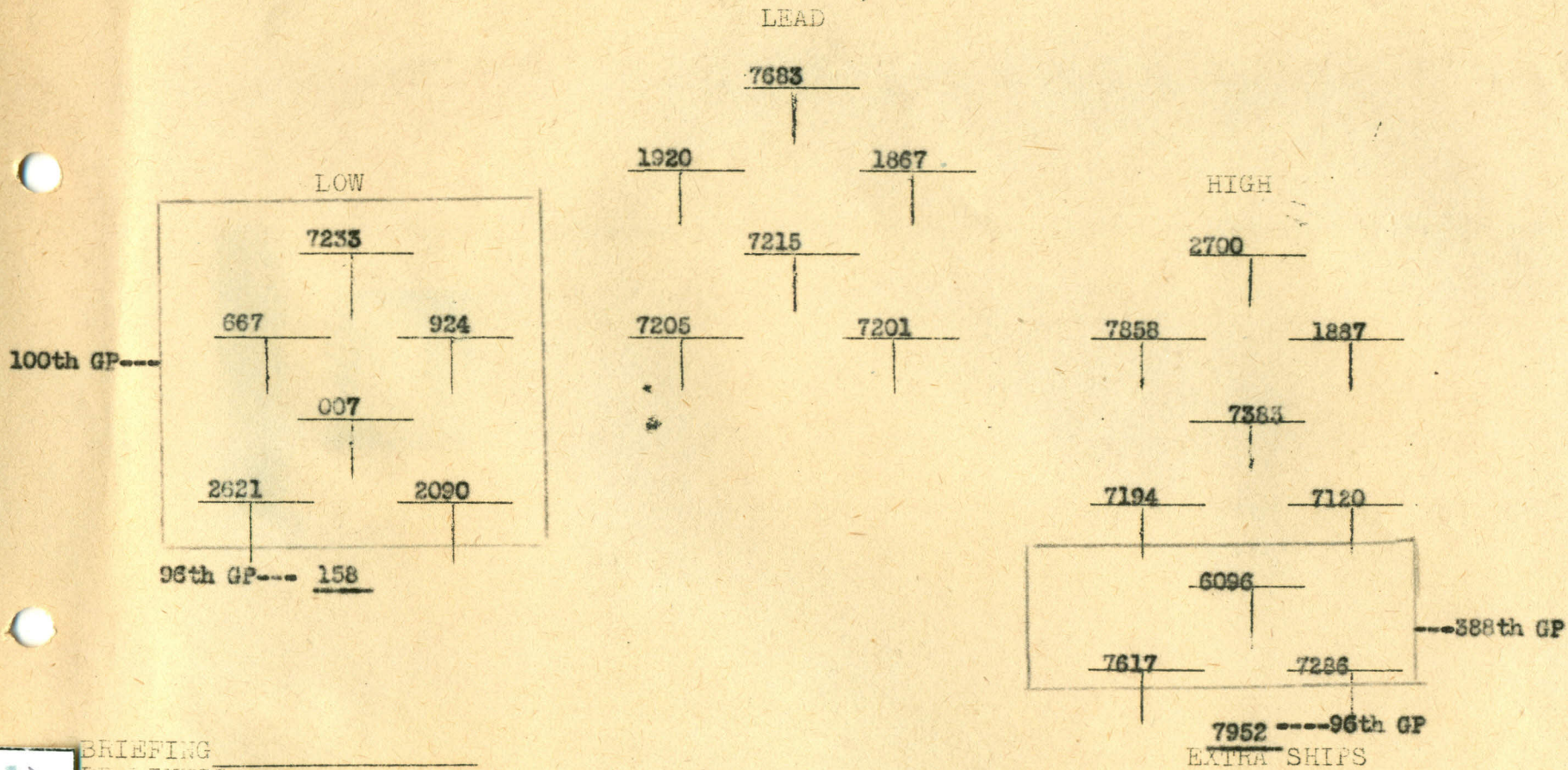
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Assembly
Diagram "A"

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GROUP FORMATION FORM

DATE 5 July 1944



EXTRA SHIPS

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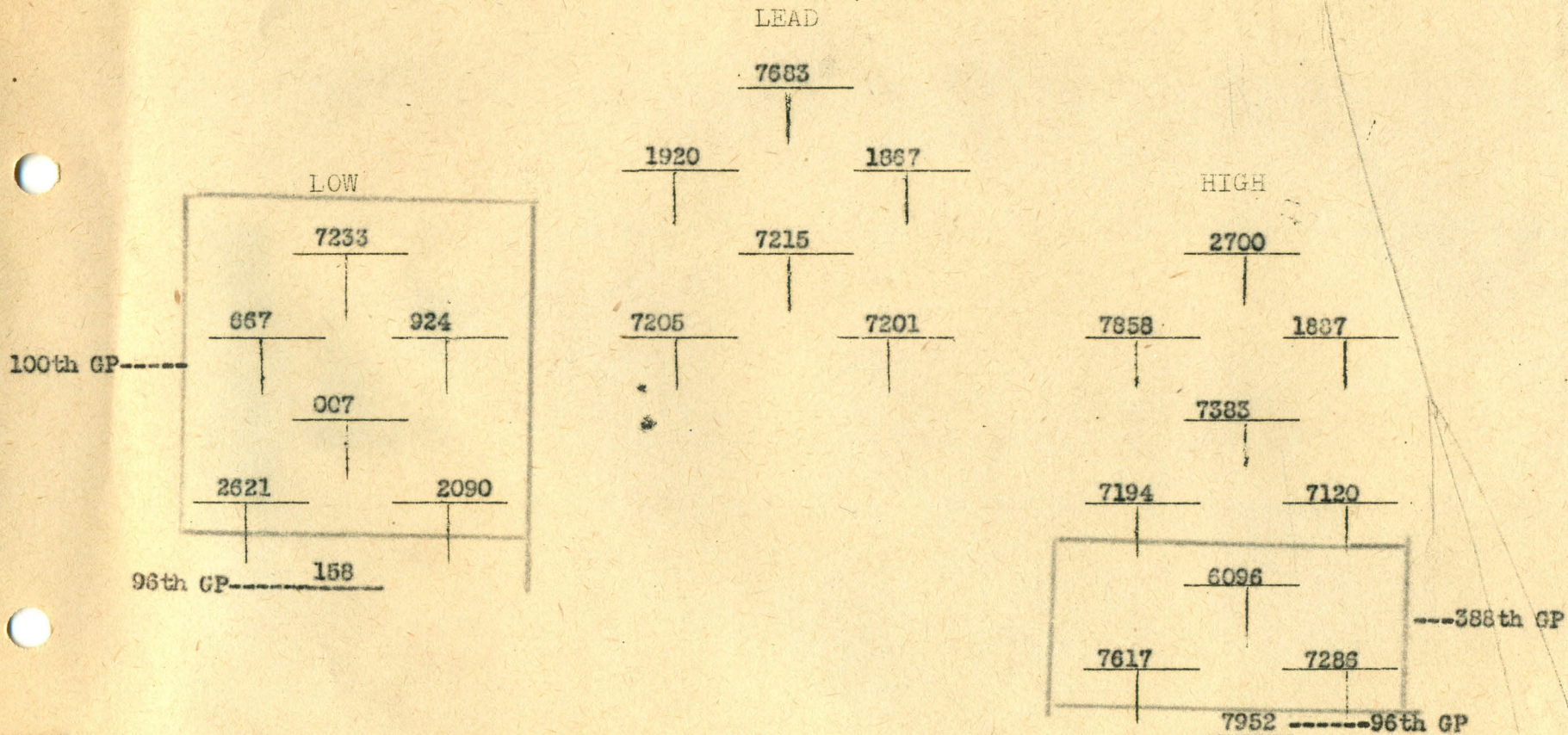
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Over Target
Diagram "B"

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