

A.T.F.

C.W.

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FORMATION DIAGRAM

55TH BOMB. GROUP (H)

DATE 31-12-44

TIME

Hendrickson
82/10

GREER
82/55

J. Hamilton
78/44

Richardson
64/75

TREGONING
71/94

Toss
65/83

Miller
86/60

Melvin
90/52

MARCEY
19/89

Bradley
69/93

Painter
19/39

CONOVER
24/55

ABORTIVE

EXTRA

EXTRA A

MISSING

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MELVIN

Pilot's Last Name DEC 31 1944

1. 95A 335 39052 S
Group Squadron A/C Number Letter Bomb Load Take Off Date

2. A/C Returning Not Accomplishing Mission:

COMPLETED

Place of Turn Back Time Reason

Position in Formation (Rank) (Name)(Initial) (Rank)(Name)(Initial)
(Over Target)

P Lt Melvin, K C T/S Holder, A J

CP Lt Scott, C G S/S Polci, R

N Lt Sheeuloff L. S/S DARRAH Darrow, M L

B S/S Mosher, E J

RF T/S Kelly, E F S/S Moore, D M

CB

4. RESULTS OF BOMBING.

Target ~~Holtzheim~~ 5375 0948 Time Bombs Away 1155 Altitude 25000

Number of Bombs Dropped 20 Number of Bombs Returned 0

Number of Bombs Jettisoned SALVO - BECAUSE OF BACK MALFUNCTION
(Time, Place, and Reason)

Observed Results of Bombing

*Track at Bombs Away 308 *Track after Bombs Away

*Evasive action (I.P. to Target) _____
(Description)

*Length of Time in Straight-Level Flight _____
(Get this information from Lead Crews Only)

5. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

Number of E/A Seen 4 Types FW 190

Number of E/A Attacking _____ Types _____

Story of Attacks ATTACK LOW SQDN.
(Time, Place, Altitude, Squadron Attacked,

Weapons Used, Losses to E/A for each attack).

New or Unusual Tactics

Color and Markings of E/A BROWN -

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MERCER

Pilot's last name
DEC 31 1944

1. 95A1 336th 1989 M
Group Squadron A/C Number Letter Bomb Load Take Off Date

2. A/C Returning Not Accomplishing Mission:

Place of Turn Back	Time	Reason
Position in Formation (Rank) (Name)(Initial) (Rank)(Name)(Initial) (Over Target)		
	D 2nd Lt. Mercer, R.V.	Sgt. Loucks, L. J.
T	CP 2nd Lt. Taylor, C.R.	Sgt. German, J.W.
T T T T T	F/O Detering, W.B.	Sgt. Hupp, D.R.
T T T T T	B 2nd Lt. Fackrell, H.B.	
	RG Sgt. Graesser, L.W.	Sgt. Gearh, G.F.
	OB	

4. RESULTS OF BOMBING.
Target Hamburg Time Bombs Away 1146 Altitude 26000

Number of Bombs Dropped 20/250 Number of Bombs Returned 0

Number of Bombs Jettisoned 0
(Time, Place, and Reason)

Observed Results of Bombing Very Good

*Track at Bombs Away _____ *Track after Bombs Away _____

*Evasive Action (I.P. to Target) _____
(Description)

*Length of Time in Straight-Level Flight _____
(*Get this information from Lead Crews Only)

5. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION: 1 Me 163

Number of E/A Seen 9 Types ME 109

Number of E/A Attacking none Types _____

Story of Attacks Attached gray belts
(Time, Place, Altitude, Squadrons Attacked,

Weapons Used, Losses to E/A for each attack).

New or Unusual Tactics attacked in dispersion

Color and Markings of E/A E/A were dark color

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PAINTER

Pilot's last name DEC 31 1944

1. 95 A 336th 1939 J
 Group Squadron A/C Number Letter Bomb Load Take Off Date
2. A/C Returning Not Accomplishing Mission:

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Place of Turn Back	Time	Reason
Position in Formation (Rank) (Name)(Initial) (Rank)(Name)(Initial) (Over Target)		
	P 1st Lt. Painter, G.K	T/S Tullios, R. M.
T T T	CP 1st Lt. Flavin, T.S.	S/S Hall, H.C.
T T (T) T T T	N 2nd Lt. Gardner, L.F.	S/S G rasso, A.G.
T T T T	B 2nd Lt. Pustilnik, W.	
	RF T/S Waters, P. M.	S/S Dentz, B.
	OB	

4. RESULTS OF BOMBING.
 Target HAMBURG Time Bombs Away 1146 Altitude 26200
 Number of Bombs Dropped 20 X 250 Number of Bombs Returned 0
 Number of Bombs Jettisoned 0

Observed Results of Bombing MPI BIG EXPLOSION BLACK smoke
 (Time, Place, and Reason)

- *Track at Bombs Away _____ *Track after Bombs Away _____
 *Evasive Action (I.P. to Target) _____ (Description)
 *Length of Time in Straight-Level Flight _____
 (*Get this information from Lead Crews Only)

5. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:
 Number of E/A Seen 12 Types FW196
 Number of E/A Attacking _____ Types _____
 Story of Attacks _____
 (Time, Place, Altitude, Squadrons Attacked, Weapons Used, Losses to E/A for each attack).

New or Unusual Tactics _____
 Color and Markings of E/A _____

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RICHARDSON

Pilot's last name
DEC 31 1944

- 1. 95A 335 647 T
Group Squadron A/C Number Letter Bomb Load Take Off Date
- 2. A/C Returning Not Accomplishing Mission:

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Place of Turn Back	Time	Reason
Position in Formation (Rank) (Name)(Initial) (Rank)(Name)(Initial) (Over Target)		
	P	2/Lt Richardson, N W T/S Jonas, E S
	CP	2/Lt Felkel, L W Sgt Williams, P E
T	T	T
T	T	T
T	T	T
T	T	T
T	T	T
	B	2/Lt Millan, A C
	EG	Sgt Molino, A W Sgt Lukens, G H
	OB	

- 4. RESULTS OF BOMBING:
 Target Hamburg Time Bombs Away 11:46 Altitude 26,000
 Number of Bombs Dropped 20 Number of Bombs Returned _____
 Number of Bombs Jettisoned _____
 Observed Results of Bombing Beauty. (Time, Place, and Reason)
 *Track at Bombs Away _____ *Track after Bombs Away _____
 *Evasive Action (I.P. to Target) _____ (Description)
 *Length of Time in Straight-Level Flight _____
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- 5. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:
 Number of E/A Seen About 20 Types FW 190 ME 109
 Number of E/A Attacking none Types _____

Story of Attacks 11:46 just after tgt. came in high from 5 o'clock on frontal attack on pursuit curve. Made one attack and withdrew. Then attached unit to rear. Too far to see much. Attacked 4 abreast and peddled off.
 (Time, Place, Altitude, Squadrons Attacked, Weapons Used, Losses to E/A for each attack)

New or Unusual Tactics _____
 Color and Markings of E/A Couldn't see too well. Looked black.

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INTERROGATION FORM

TREGONING

Pilot's last name

1. 95A 336 97194 0
Group Squadron A/C Number Letter Bomb Load Tails

DEC 31 1944

2. A/C Returning Not Accomplishing Mission:

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Place of Turn Back	Time	Reason
Position in Formation (Rank) (Name)(Initial) (Rank)(Name)(Initial) (Over Target)		
	P 1/Lt Tregoning, D V	S/S Staffeld, D E
T	CP 2/Lt Browne, J P	S/S Holcomb, W C
T T T T T	M 2/Lt Hurton, J J	S/S Hartford, C F
T T T T T	B 2/Lt Brunelle, A F	
T	R 2/S Kimmell, E H	S/S Dring, D H
T	OB	S/S Winkler, H M

4. RESULTS OF BOMBING.

Target HAMBURG Time Bombs Away 1146 Altitude 26,500

Number of Bombs Dropped 20-250 GP Number of Bombs Returned NONE

Number of Bombs Jettisoned NONE

Observed Results of Bombing CREAMED
(Time, Place, and Reason)

*Track at Bombs Away - *Track after Bombs Away -

*Evasive Action (I.P. to target) -
(Description)

*Length of Time in Straight-Level Flight -
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5. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

Number of E/A Seen 6 Types FW 190

Number of E/A Attacking NONE Types -

Story of Attacks NONE
(Time, Place, Altitude, Squadrons Attacked,

Weapons Used, Losses to E/A for each attack).

New or Unusual Tactics NONE

Color and Markings of E/A NONE

INTERROGATION FORM

CONOVER
Pilot's last name

1. 95A 335 102455 Z DEC 31 1941
Group Squadron A/C Number Letter Bomb Load Take Off Date

2. A/C Returning Not Accomplishing Mission:

Place of Turn Back	Time	Reason
Position In Formation (Rank) (Name)(Initial) (Rank)(Name)(Initial) (Over Target)		
	P Capt Conover, A C	T/S Bennett, D D
T T T	CP 2/Lt Veal, E M	S/S Bowen, O C
T T T T T	N 2/Lt Larkin, E D	Sgt Schropp, E F
T T T	B F/O Kodish, A B	
	B7 Sgt Kotyk, Frank	Sgt Wurtz, K N
	OB	

4. RESULTS OF BOMBING.

Target Hamburg Time Bombs Away 1146 Altitude 26000

Number of Bombs Dropped 20/250 Number of Bombs Returned 0

Number of Bombs Jettisoned 0

Observed Results of Bombing Good pattern, lots of smoke (Time, Place, and Reason)

*Track at Bombs Away _____ *Track after Bombs Away _____

*Evasive action (I.P. to Target) _____ (Description)

*Length of Time in Straight-Level Flight _____
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5. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

Number of E/A Seen 20-30 Types ME-109

Number of E/A Attacking None Types _____

Story of Attacks E/A attacked a squadron behind. Two planes seen to go down.
(Time, Place, Altitude, Squadrons Attacked, Weapons Used, Losses to E/A for each attack).

New or Unusual Tactics Attacked formation out of sight

Color and Markings of E/A Black. Planes were dark color.

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HAMILTON

Pilot's last name

DEC 31 1944

1. 95A 336 97844 R Bomb Load Take Off Date

2. A/C Returning Not Accomplishing Mission:

Place of Turn Back	Time	Reason
Position in Formation (Rank) (Name)(Initial) (Rank)(Name)(Initial) (Over Target)		
P 1/Lt Hamilton, J E		T/S Predmore, J J
CP 2/Lt Brock, C O		S/S Gomez, J
N 2/Lt Walding, W H		S/S Rolan, L M
2/Lt McConnell, S J		
RG T/S Kopke, F R		S/S Schroeder, E J
CB		

4. RESULTS OF BOMBING.

Target Amberg Time Bombs Away 1146 Altitude 26000

Number of Bombs Dropped 30/250 Number of Bombs Returned 0

Number of Bombs Jettisoned 0

Observed Results of Bombing 100% accuracy (Time, Place, and Reason)

*Track at Bombs Away _____ *Track after Bombs Away _____

*Evasive Action (I.P. to Target) _____ (Description)

*Length of Time in Straight-Level Flight _____ (Get this information from Lead Crews Only)

5. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

Number of E/A Seen 5 or 6 Types FW-190's

Number of E/A Attacking _____ Types _____

Story of Attacks Saw E/A attacking down (Time, Place, Altitude, Squadrons Attacked,

Weapons Used, Losses to E/A for each attack).

at 11560 E/A attacked from 5:30 high
Saw only one attack.

New or Unusual Tactics _____

Color and Markings of E/A _____

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INTERROGATION FORM

HENDRICKSON
Pilot's last name

1. 95A 412th 8210 J DEC 31 1944
Group Squadron A/C Number Letter Bomb Load Date

2. A/C Returning Not Accomplishing Mission:

Place of Turn Back Time Reason

3. Position in Formation (Rank) (Name) (Initial) (Rank) (Name) (Initial)
(Over Target)

						P <u>Capt. Hendrickson, M.A.</u>	T/S <u>Siegel, F.</u>
						CP <u>1st Lt. Louvier, M.V.</u>	S/S <u>Lane, L. N.</u>
T	T	T	T	T	T	N <u>1st Lt. VanPatten, D.D.</u>	S/S <u>Sale, W.</u>
T	T	T	T	T	T	B <u>1st Lt. Jones, C.T.</u>	
						BC <u>T/S Kimmel, D.</u>	2nd Lt. <u>Finfinger, R.T.</u>
						OB <u>1st Lt. R. Robt</u>	<u>Maj. Frankowsky,</u>

4. RESULTS OF BOMBING.

Target Hamburg Time Bombs Away 1146 Altitude 25500
 Number of Bombs Dropped 29 x 250 Number of Bombs Returned _____
 Number of Bombs Jettisoned 1 x 250 1320 5307-0335
 (Time, Place, and Reason)

Observed Results of Bombing

*Track at Bombs Away 140° *Track after Bombs Away 290°
 *Evasive Action (I.P. to Target) None (Description)
 *Length of Time in Straight-Level Flight 10 min
 (*Get this information from Lead Crews Only)

5. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

Number of E/A Seen 25-30 Types Me 109
 Number of E/A Attacking 0 Types _____
 Story of Attacks Target back to coast.
 (Time, Place, Altitude, Squadrons Attacked,

Weapons Used, Losses to E/A for each attack).

New or Unusual Tactics

Color and Markings of E/A

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Consider
all
bombs
on list

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FORMATION DIAGRAM

95TH BOMB. GROUP (H)

DATE 31-12-44

TIME

390
Bussell
84/41

Wilson
81/79

Tessier
87/74

Weisz
65/22

King 6/00M
83/33

Rand
81/06

Walter
82/72

Doxon
82/81

Bek
72/57

Hail
81/98

Sutkowski
77/83

Olson
86/17

ABORTIVE

EXTRA

EXTRA A

MISSING

CHANGES

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B

BET

Pilot's last name

1. 95B 412 97257 L DEC 31 1944
Group Squadron A/C Number Letter Bomb Load Take Off Date

2. A/C Returning Not Accomplishing Mission:

Place of Turn Back	Time	Reason
Position in Formation (Rank) (Name)(Initial) (Rank)(Name)(Initial) (Over Target)		
	P1/Lt Bek, T G	T/S Inzalaco, B
	CP2/Lt Hilbert, J	S/S Wiepoch, R S
	W2/Lt Wilson, T	S/S Moudry, C H
	BS/SZickgrat, C A	
	RT/S Ramas, B B	S/S Mazziotti, J
	OB	Pecul, D B

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4. RESULTS OF BOMBING.

Target Hamburg Time Bombs Away 1150 Altitude 27200

Number of Bombs Dropped 15/250 Number of Bombs Returned

Number of Bombs Jettisoned 5/250 - 5400 N 0600 E
(Time, Place, and Reason) *Bomb hung up.*

Observed Results of Bombing Bombs hit in target area. Lots of black smoke.

*Track at Bombs Away _____ *Track after Bombs Away _____

*Evasive Action (I.P. to Target) _____ (Description)

*Length of Time in Straight-Level Flight _____
(Get this information from Lead Crews Only)

5. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

Number of E/A Seen 8-12 Types FW 190

Number of E/A Attacking None Types _____

Story of Attacks _____
(Time, Place, Altitude, Squadrons Attacked,

Weapons Used, Losses to E/A for each attack).

There was an twin engine plane noticed above formation believe he was directly E enemy fighters.

New or Unusual Tactics _____

Color and Markings of E/A Painted black or dark camouflage

er: Clear - Practically CAVL.

160° W

INTERROGATION FORM

BUSSE

Pilot's last name

1. 95B 413 38441 P DEC 31 1941
Group Squadron A/C Number Letter Bomb Load Take Off Date

2. A/C Returning Not Accomplishing Mission:

Place of Turn Back	Time	Reason
Position in Formation (Rank) (Name)(Initial) (Rank)(Name)(Initial) (Over Target)		
	P 1/Lt Busse, B B	S/S Carroll, B B
T	CP 2/Lt Gatti, L.	S/S <u>Bettin</u> , B B
T T T T T	N 2/Lt Burke, D W	S/S Robb, B N
T T T T T	B 2/Lt Kozol, W P	S/S Smith H H
(T)	R S/S Forth, M E	
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4. RESULTS OF BOMBING.
Target HAMBURG Time Bombs Away 1152 Altitude 25000

Number of Bombs Dropped 20 Number of Bombs Returned —

Number of Bombs Jettisoned —

Observed Results of Bombing Fires from preceding bombings.
(Time, Place, and Reason)

*Track at Bombs Away — *Track after Bombs Away —

*Evasive Action (I.P. to Target) —
(Description)

*Length of Time in Straight-Level Flight —
(*Get this information from Lead Crews Only)

5. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

Number of E/A Seen 50-60 Types FW 190, ME 109, ME 163, Me 262

Number of E/A Attacking NONE Types —

Story of Attacks —
(Time, Place, Altitude, Squadrons Attacked,

Weapons Used, Losses to E/A for each attack).

New or Unusual Tactics None

Color and Markings of E/A BLACK (DARK GREEN - 762 - BRIGHT RED FIN)

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DUXON

Pilot's DEC 31 1944

1. 95B 412 8291 Z
Group Squadron A/C Number Letter Bomb Load Take Off Date

2. A/C Returning Not Accomplishing Mission:

Place of Turn Back	Time	Reason
Position in Formation (Rank) (Name)(Initial) (Rank)(Name)(Initial) (Over Target)		
	1/Lt <u>Duxon, M D</u>	T/S <u>Powell, B F</u>
	2/Lt <u>Bennett, T L</u>	S/S <u>Freeman, L</u>
	2/Lt <u>Schwartz, M J</u>	S/S <u>Vasquez, G A</u>
	2/Lt <u>Goldstein, M J</u>	
	R/T/S <u>Morgan, B B</u>	S/S <u>Russell, E H</u>
	OB	

4. RESULTS OF BOMBING.

Target HAMBURG Time Bombs Away 1147 Altitude 27500

Number of Bombs Dropped 70 Number of Bombs Returned —

Number of Bombs Jettisoned —

Observed Results of Bombing GRAY, WHITE, AND BLACK SMOKE TO 1500 OF FIRE EXPLOSIONS LATER

*Track at Bombs Away 120° M *Track after Bombs Away 212°

*Evasive Action (I.P. to Target) NIL

*Length of Time to Straight-Level Flight FIVE MINUTES
(Get this information from Lead Crews Only)

5. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

Number of E/A Seen 9 Types FW-190 + ME-109

Number of E/A Attacking 9 Types " "

Story of Attacks 1150 RP 26500 Low SQN No 95TH
(Time, Place, Altitude, Squadrons Attacked)

Weapons Used, Losses to E/A for each attack.

ONE B-17 BURNING, ONE B-17 SPINNING

New or Unusual Tactics NONE

Color and Markings of E/A NONE SEEN

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INTERROGATION FORM

WILSON
JENKINS

Pilot's last name
DEC 31 1944

1. 95B 334 448179 S
Group Squadron A/C Number Letter Bomb Load Take Off Date

2. A/C Returning Not Accomplishing Mission:

Place of Turn Back	Time	Reason
Position in Formation (Rank) (Name)(Initial) (Rank)(Name)(Initial) (Over Target)		
<u>P 1/Lt Jenkins, W S</u>		<u>T/S Archer, J. O.</u>
<u>CP 1/Lt Wilson, J G</u>		<u>T/S Reives, M H</u>
<u>N 2/Lt Wilborne, J. B.</u>		<u>T/S McCulley, C A</u>
<u>B 2/Lt Owens, W A</u>		<u>S/S Kalfa, W</u>
<u>R 2/Lt Long, M H</u>		<u>S/S Desse, O ?F</u>
<u>CB</u>		

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4. RESULTS OF BOMBING.
Target Hamburg Time Bombs Away 1147 Altitude 27300'

Number of Bombs Dropped 19x250 Number of Bombs Returned

Number of Bombs Jettisoned 1x250 5340-0532 1300

Observed Results of Bombing Very Good
(Time, Place, and Reason)

*Track at Bombs Away 140° *Track after Bombs Away 238

*Evasive Action (I.P. to Target) None
(Description)

*Length of Time in Straight-Level Flight 6 min
(Get this information from Lead Crews Only)

5. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

Number of E/A Seen 20 Types Me 109

Number of E/A Attacking 0 Types

Story of Attacks 5322-0931 11:53 Above 2000'
(Time, Place, Altitude, Squadrons Attacked, at 11-12 o'clock)

at 3 o'clock attack made pass at low sq
went straight up at high (when) P-51 intercepted
and went down to deck. Last seen going straight
down in westerly direction. Saw 3 go
back down from low sq
at 6 o'clock

Notes or Unusual Tactics

Color and Markings of E/A

B

INTERROGATION FORM

OLSON

Pilot's Name DEC 31 1944

1. 95B 336 338617 Q Group Squadron A/C Number Letter Bomb Load Take Off Date

2. A/C Returning Not Accomplishing Mission:

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Place of Turn Back	Time	Reason
Position in Formation (Rank) (Name)(Initial) (Rank)(Name)(Initial) (Over Target)		
	P <u>Olson</u>	<u>Baker</u>
	CP <u>Hollyfield</u>	<u>Shaffer</u>
	M <u>Crocker</u>	<u>Butzu</u>
	B <u>Hinds</u>	
	R <u>McCassin</u>	<u>Bucklin</u>
	O3	

4. RESULTS OF BOMBING.
 Target Hamburg Time Bombs Away 1142 Altitude 27600
 Number of Bombs Dropped 20 x 2500 lb Number of Bombs Returned _____
 Number of Bombs Jettisoned _____

Observed Results of Bombing Large oil fire after 1000 ft target (Time, Place, Reason)
 *Track at Bombs Away _____ *Track after Bombs Away _____
 *Evasive Action (I.P. to Target) _____ (Description)
 *Length of Time in Straight-Level Flight _____
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5. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:
 Number of E/A Seen 15/20 Types Me 109's
 Number of E/A Attacking 5/6 Types Me 109's, low Sq.
 Story of Attacks 1200 536-0934 23000 low Sq
 (Time, Place, Altitude, Squadrons Attacked, Weapons Used, losses to E/A for each attack).
attached - Sp not remembered. E/A first seen passing P Sq high going against bomber stream. Passed C Sq and P Sq and attached C from 6 o'clock high. Peaked off & came in individually & burst at 4/5000 ft.

New or Unusual Tactics no mp's given, they the formation & bursting and in front of bomber stream attack.
 Color and Markings of E/A P 50 not seen & last seen as SP & again seen

INTERROGATION FORM

RAND

1. 95B 336 8106 E 20/250 DEC 31 1944
Group Squadron A/C Number Letter Bomb Load Date

2. A/C Returning Not Accomplishing Mission:

Place of Turn Back	Time	Reason
Position In Formation (Rank) (Name)(Initial) (Rank)(Name)(Initial) (Over Target)		
	P Rand, R G	Adcock, E L
	CP Satterfield, W F	Bright, R P
	N Pliskin, I R	Mason, G W
	B Mullins, C.S.H.	
	EG Everett, E V	Bell, C R
	GB	

4. RESULTS OF BOMBING:

Target Hamburg Time bombs away 1146 Altitude 26000

Number of Bombs Dropped 20x250 Number of Bombs Returned None

Number of Bombs Jettisoned None

Observed Results of Bombing Very Good - Bad Luck - 1500 ft

*Track at Bombs Away _____ *Track after Bombs Away _____

*Evasive Action (I.P. to Target) _____ (Description)

*Length of Time in Straight-Level Flight _____
(*Get this information from Lead Crews Only)

5. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

Number of E/A Seen 4 Types FW190

Number of E/A Attacking None Types _____

Story of Attacks _____

Passed way below us right attacked formation behind us - Attack occurred 0320-0900 at 1153, formation behind had rounded the R.P.

New or Unusual Tactics _____

Color and Markings of E/A All were entirely brown with cross

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Pilot's last name

1. 95B 336 38333 S DEC 27 1944
Group Squadron A/C Number Letter Bomb Load Take Off Date

2. A/C Returning Not Accomplishing Mission:

Place of Turn Back	Time	Reason
Position in Formation (Rank) (Name)(Initial) (Rank)(Name)(Initial) (Over Target)		
P	1/Lt Ringbloom, K R	T/S Keeler, R E
CP	1/Lt Guion, V J	S/S Klose, J H
N	1/Lt Gorton, F E	S/S Duarte, R R
B	1/Lt Karns, J A	
RG	T/S Bercaw, O M	S/S James, L R
GB		

4. RESULTS OF BOMBING.

Target HAMBURG Time Bombs Away 11:47 Altitude 27500

Number of Bombs Dropped 20-25 LB Number of Bombs Returned NONE

Number of Bombs Jettisoned NONE
(Time, Place, and Reason)

Observed Results of Bombing GENERAL AREA

*Track at Bombs Away - *Track after Bombs Away -

*Evasive Action (I.P. to Target) -
(Description)

*Length of Time in Straight-Level Flight -
(*Get this information from Lead Crews Only)

5. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

Number of E/A Seen 6 Types FW 109

Number of E/A Attacking NONE Types

Story of Attacks NONE
(Time, Place, Altitude, Squadrons Attacked, Weapons Used, Losses to E/A for each attack).

New or Unusual Tactics NONE

Color and Markings of E/A NONE

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INTERROGATION FORM

SUTKOWSKI
Pilot's last name

DEC 31 1944
Date

1. 95B 412 7783 F
Group Squadron A/C Number Letter Bomb Load Take Off Date
2. A/C Returning Not Accomplishing Mission:

Place of Turn Back	Time	Reason
Position in Formation (Rank) (Name)(Initial) (Rank)(Name)(Initial) (Over Target)		
	P1/Lt Sutkowski, R J	S/S Comer, L C
	CP2/Lt Robinson, H L	S/S Slaughter, J O
	N2/Lt Peters, K E	S/S Carron, M J
	B2/Lt Wilson, H A	
	RCS/S Canci, J C	S/S Butler, E L
	OB	

4. RESULTS OF BOMBING.
Target Avalley Time Bombs Away 11:47 Altitude 27500

Number of Bombs Dropped 20 Number of Bombs Returned _____

Number of Bombs Jettisoned _____ (Time, Place, and Reason)

Observed Results of Bombing Creased

*Track at Bombs Away 118° *Track after Bombs Away _____

*Evasive Action (I.P. to Target) _____ (Description)

*Length of Time in Straight-Level Flight _____ (Get this information from Lead Crews Only)

5. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

Number of E/A Seen 12-15 Types FW 190

Number of E/A Attacking 12-15 Types FW-100

Story of Attacks 1153 5030 26000 C Squadron
(Time, Place, Altitude, Squadrons Attacked)

Rockets + M/G - Attacked from 5 to 7 o'clock level
Weapons Used, Losses to E/A for each attack.

Two to three stayed out of range and fired rockets
also three B-17 were seen going down (100th by two and
one from our 100 Squadron) 12:25 5400
behind 100th Fighter were not seen
0.800 attacked group

New or Unusual Tactics Attacked in line abreast

Color and Markings of E/A No Dark color

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INTERROGATION FORM

TESSIER

Pilot's last name

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1. 95B 412 8774 B DEC 31 1944
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2. A/C Returning Not Accomplishing Mission:

Place of Turn Back	Time	Reason
Position in Formation (Rank) (Name)(Initial) (Rank)(Name)(Initial) (Over Target)		
	<u>2/Lt Tessier, A. L.</u>	<u>S/S Grantonic, G F</u>
	<u>2/Lt Zurawik, R C</u>	<u>S/S Boyd, J C</u>
	<u>2/Lt Whalen, L E</u>	<u>Sgt Russo, V A</u>
	<u>2/Lt Keyes, D O</u>	
	<u>S/S Dewitt, E A</u>	<u>S/S Moore, R C</u>
	<u>OB</u>	

4. RESULTS OF BOMBING.

Target HAMBURG Time Bombs Away 1147 Altitude 28500

Number of Bombs Dropped 20 X 250 Number of Bombs Returned 0

Number of Bombs Jettisoned 0
(Time, Place, and Reason)

Observed Results of Bombing: UNOBSERVED - SAW LOTS OF SMOKE.

*Track at Bombs Away _____ *Track after Bombs Away _____

*Evasive action (I.P. to Target) _____ (Description)

*Length of Time in Straight-Level Flight _____
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5. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

Number of E/A Seen 5 Types UNIDENTIFIED (NOT JETS)

Number of E/A Attacking _____ Types _____

Story of Attacks SAW 5 E/A ATTACKING LOW SQDN.
(Time, Place, Altitude, Squadrons Attacked,

ABOUT 1000 YDS BEHIND AT 1154 HRS.
Weapons Used, Losses to E/A for each attack).

TOO FAR OFF TO TELL WHAT HAPPENED

ATTACK WAS FROM REAR-LEVEL ONE

E/A HIT A B-17 FROM 2 O'CLOCK LOW

ATTACKS WERE MADE SINGLY.

New or Unusual Tactics _____

Color and Markings of E/A _____

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Route in - 710 NA

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INTERROGATION FORM

WALTER
DEC 31 1944

Pilot's last name

1. 95 B 336th 8272 P
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2. A/C Returning Not Accomplishing Mission:

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Place of Turn Back	Time	Reason
Position in Formation (Rank) (Name)(Initial) (Rank)(Name)(Initial) (Over Target)		
P 1st Lt. <u>WALTER</u> <u>Walter, J.C.</u>		S/S <u>Purdy, J.A.</u>
CP 2nd Lt. <u>Johnson, P.G.</u>		S/S <u>Sheets, J. M.</u>
N Sgt. <u>Franzblad, J.T.</u>		S/S <u>Franceschina, L.</u>
B 2nd Lt. <u>Ingleton, J.R.</u>		
RG S/S <u>Asselback, G.R.</u>		Cpl. <u>Dye, C. A.</u>
GB		

4. RESULTS OF BOMBING.

Target HAMBURG Time Bombs Away 11:49 Altitude 26,500

Number of Bombs Dropped 20-2500 Number of Bombs Returned None

Number of Bombs Jettisoned None

Observed Results of Bombing Unobserved (SAW A LOT OF BLACK & WHITE SMOKE AFTERWARDS)

*Track at Bombs Away 11:80 *Track after Bombs Away _____

*Evasive Action (I.P. to Target) _____ (Description) _____

*Length of Time in Straight-Level Flight _____ (Get this information from Lead Crews Only)

5. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

Number of E/A Seen 5 Types ME109 WITH SA WING TIPS

Number of E/A Attacking None Types _____

Story of Attacks _____ (Time, Place, Altitude, Squadrons Attacked,

Weapons Used, Losses to E/A for each attack).

New or Unusual Tactics None

Color and Markings of E/A None

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INTERROGATION FORM

WEISZ

Pilot's last name
DEC 31 1944

1. 95B 412 6522 H
Group Squadron A/C Number Letter Bomb Load Take Off Date

2. A/C Returning Not Accomplishing Mission:

Place of Turn Back	Time	Reason
Position in Formation (Rank) (Name)(Initial) (Rank)(Name)(Initial) (Over Target)		
	P1/Lt Weisz, A Z	T/S Ford, I
T T T	CP2/Lt Perry, L F	S/S Goodrich, W E
T T T T T	2/Lt Schulz, A O	S/S Fowler, J T
T T T	B2/Lt Verschuurenk C L	
	RPT/S Parsons, R L	S/S Russell, C W
	OB	

4. RESULTS OF BOMBING.

Target Hamburg Time Bombs Away 11:46 Altitude 27,000

Number of Bombs Dropped 20 x 250 GP Number of Bombs Returned ✓

Number of Bombs Jettisoned ✓

Observed Results of Bombing Hit in smoke of other Sgt.

*Track at Bombs Away ✓ *Track after Bombs Away ✓

*Evasive Action (I.P. to Target) ✓ (Description)

*Length of Time in Straight-Level Flight ✓
(Get this information from Lead Crews Only)

5. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

Number of E/A Seen 4+ Types FW 190's

Number of E/A Attacking ✓ Types ✓

Story of Attacks 11:50, over Hamburg 15 mi west of city before
R.P. at 26,000 ft E/A hit GP behind from 6 o'clock low
weapons used, losses to E/A for each attack).
and then a couple of the E/A peeled off + made individual
attacks.

New or Unusual Tactics ✓

Color and Markings of E/A ✓

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A.T.F.

C.W.

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FORMATION DIAGRAM

55TH BOMB. GROUP (H)

DATE 31-12-4

TIME

Philpott
80/40

Scott
71/54

RYAN
86/57

100

O'Reilly
65/28

Grittin
87/76

100

Kaphler
85/25

Redkins
72/01

Bramlett
86/40

Reed
72/15

ABORTIVE

EXTRA

EXTRA A

MISSING

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O'REILLY

Pilot's last name

DEC 31 1944

1. 95C 334th 6528 P
 Group Squadron A/C Number Letter Bomb Load Take Off Date

2. A/C Returning Not Accomplishing Mission:

Place of Turn Back Time Reason

3. Position in Formation (Rank) (Name)(Initial) (Rank)(Name)(Initial)
 (Over Target)

					10 P	2nd Lt. O'Reilly, C. H.		Sgt. Finklestein, H.		
						0-819589		32882519		
					10CP	2nd Cohen, C.		Sgt. Exley, W.A.	10	
						0-825576		13110847		
T	T	T	T	T	T/10 N	2nd Lt. Quinnell, E. H.		Sgt. Heichel, J.A.	10	
						0-776850		39388004		
T	T				T37B	S/S Crowley, J.C.				
						35429160				
					10RC	Sgt. Vandal, L.A.		S/S Bonenberger, G.W.	10	
						38420346		33298731		
					OB					

4. RESULTS OF BOMBING.

Target _____ Time Bombs Away _____ Altitude _____

Number of Bombs Dropped _____ Number of Bombs Returned _____

Number of Bombs Jettisoned _____
 (Time, Place, and Reason)

Observed Results of Bombing _____

*Track at Bombs Away _____ *Track after Bombs Away _____

*Evasive Action (I.P. to Target) _____
 (Description)

*Length of Time in Straight-Level Flight _____
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5. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

Number of E/A Seen _____ Types _____

Number of E/A Attacking _____ Types _____

Story of Attacks _____
 (Time, Place, Altitude, Squadrons Attacked,

Weapons Used, Losses to E/A for each attack).

New or Unusual Tactics _____

Color and Markings of E/A _____

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INTERROGATION FORM

GRIFFIN
Pilot's Initials
DEC 31 1944

1. 95C 334th 8776 B
Group Squadron A/C Number Letter Bomb Load Take Off Date

2. A/C Returning Not Accomplishing Mission:

Place of Turn Back Time Reason

3. Position in Formation (Rank) (Name) (Initial) (Rank) (Name) (Initial)
(Over Target)

								P	1st Lt. Griffin, H.	T/S Russell, R. E.
								CP	2nd Lt. Wright, K. E.	Sgt. Porch, J. F.
T	T	T	T	T	T	T		N	2nd Lt. Shaw, H. P.	S/S Hamlin, R. E.
T	T							B	Sgt. Albino, A. R.	
								RC	T/S Anderson, H. C.	S/S Respondek, L. E.
								OB		

4. RESULTS OF BOMBING.
Target _____ Time Bombs Away _____ Altitude _____

Number of Bombs Dropped _____ Number of Bombs Returned _____

Number of Bombs Jettisoned _____
(Time, Place, and Reason)

Observed Results of Bombing _____

*Track at Bombs Away _____ *Track after Bombs Away _____

*Evasive Action (I.P. to Target) _____
(Description)

*Length of Time in Straight-Level Flight _____
(*Get this information from Lead Crews Only)

5. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

Number of E/A Seen _____ Types _____

Number of E/A Attacking _____ Types _____

Story of Attacks _____
(Time, Place, Altitude, Squadrons Attacked,

Weapons Used, Losses to E/A for each attack).

New or Unusual Tactics _____

Color and Markings of E/A _____

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INTERROGATION FORM

BRAMLETT
Pilot's last name DEC 31 1944

1. 95C 334th 8640 D
Group Squadron A/C Number Letter Bomb Load Take Off Date

2. A/C Returning Not Accomplishing Mission:

Place of Turn Back Time Reason

3. Position in Formation (Rank) (Name) (Initial) (Rank) (Name) (Initial) (Over Target)

						P	1st Lt. Bramlett, W.G.	T/S Doan, F.E.
						CP	2nd Lt. Sachtjen, J.W.	S/S Beck, H.T.
						N	2nd Lt. Lutz, J.W.	S/S Vennis, S.
						B	2nd Lt. Wilcoxson, C.E.	
						RG	T/S Morrison, D.G.	S/S Lippert, H.F.
						OB		

4. RESULTS OF BOMBING.
Target Hamburg Time Bombs Away 11:42.5 Altitude 25300

Number of Bombs Dropped 20x150# Number of Bombs Returned none

Number of Bombs Jettisoned none

Observed Results of Bombing hit well by others ahead of us and
us also (Time, Place, and Reason)

*Track at Bombs Away us also *Track after Bombs Away

*Evasive Action (I.P. to Target) (Description)

*Length of Time in Straight-Level Flight
(*Get this information from Lead Crews Only)

5. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

Number of E/A Seen 25 Types FW 190 & ME 109's

Number of E/A Attacking 7 E/A in waves mostly 190's

Story of Attacks 1st 11:55 5320/930, 25000, low eq.
(Time, Place, Altitude, Squadrons Attacked,

Second attack made directly after became not protective
Weapons Used, Losses to E/A for each attack)
fighter cover available.

2 B-17's on fire from 1st attack - 2 E/A lost

in 2nd attack 1 E/A lost - in bomber

New or Unusual Tactics rollu course - also from nose.

Color and Markings of E/A red circular stripe around fuselage

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3 min later

INTERROGATION FORM

KOEHLER

Pilot's last name

1. 95C 334th 8525 U 20/250 DEC 31 1944
 Group Squadron A/C Number Letter Bomb Load Take Off Date

2. A/C Returning Not Accomplishing Mission:

Place of Turn Back Time Reason

3. Position in Formation (Rank) (Name)(Initial) (Rank)(Name)(Initial)
 (Over Target)

						P	<u>2nd Lt. Koehler, J.</u>	<u>Sgt. Fairey, E.</u>
						CP	<u>2nd Lt. Segelken, W.</u>	<u>Sgt. Fong, M.</u>
						N	<u>2nd Lt. Crego, W.</u>	<u>Sgt. Walberg, D.</u>
						B	<u>2nd Lt. Lindsley, C.</u>	
						RC	<u>Sgt. McErlane, J.</u>	<u>Sgt. Breatere, E.</u>
						OB		

4. RESULTS OF BOMBING.

Target Hamburg Time Bombs Away 1147 Altitude 25000

Number of Bombs Dropped 20 Number of Bombs Returned None

Number of Bombs Jettisoned None

Observed Results of Bombing Goal - Big bursts of white smoke - black
 (Time, Place, and Reason)

*Track at Bombs Away _____ *Track after Bombs Away _____

*Evasive Action (I.P. to Target) _____ (Description)

*Length of Time in Straight-Level Flight _____
 (*Get this information from Lead Crews Only)

5. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

Number of E/A Seen 12 Types FW190

Number of E/A Attacking 9 Types FW190

Story of Attacks 1151 5319-0948-24000 Low Squadron
 (Time, Place, Altitude, Squadrons Attacked,

6 came from 5 o'clock level, abreast, 2 broke right towards
 Weapons Used, Losses to E/A for each attack).

as while others went down or forward. TB destroyed one of

them. (Second attack at 1154) - 3 more E/A (perhaps a repeat

by some of the first) came in from 5 o'clock level, 2 broke

away and went down about 300 yds away, one kept coming

very close & then turned down.

New or Unusual Tactics _____

Color and Markings of E/A White stripes & battleship gray

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INTERROGATION FORM

PHILPOTT
Pilot's last name

DEC 31 1944
Date

1. 95C 336 8040 N
Group Squadron A/C Number Letter Bomb Load Take Off Date

2. A/C Returning Not Accomplishing Mission:

Place of Turn Back	Time	Reason
Position In Formation (Rank) (Name)(Initial) (Rank)(Name)(Initial) (Over Target)		
<u>1/Lt Philpott, J M</u>	<u>S/S Ferguson, B C</u>	
<u>CP F/O Bunin, Max</u>	<u>S/S Miller, F W</u>	
<u>2/Lt Flagstead, D B</u>	<u>S/S McGowan, W E</u>	
<u>2/Lt Hathaway, B</u>	<u>2/Lt De Chernis, B P</u>	
<u>S/S Grime, G C</u>		
<u>OB</u>		

4. RESULTS OF BOMBING.

Target Hamburg Time Bombs Away 1148 Altitude 25300

Number of Bombs Dropped 20x250 Number of Bombs Returned

Number of Bombs Jettisoned (Time, Place, and Reason)

Observed Results of Bombing Good

*Track at Bombs Away 122° *Track after Bombs Away

*Evasive action (I.P. to Target) None (Description)

*Length of Time in Straight-Level Flight 5 Min.
(Get this information from Lead Crews Only)

5. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

Number of E/A Seen 15-20 Types FW 190

Number of E/A Attacking 15-20 Types FW 190

Story of Attacks Just past tgt, hit 6 o'clock

level & broke up in 2 groups, 1 group
Time, Place, Altitude, Squadrons Attacked, Weapons Used, Losses to E/A for each attack.

Some probably made 2nd pass. Took 4-5 17's. No claim this crew.

New or Unusual Tactics

Color and Markings of E/A

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INTERROGATION FORM

RYAN

1. 950 334th 8657 V Pilot's last name
Group Squadron A/C Number Letter Bomb Load Take Off Date **DEC 31 1944**

2. A/C Returning Not Accomplishing Mission:

Place of Turn Back	Time	Reason
Position In Formation (Rank) (Name)(Initial) (Rank)(Name)(Initial) (Over Target)		
	P2nd Lt. Ryan, M.C.	Sgt. Luczo, T.
	CP2nd Lt. Johnson, W.W.	Sgt. Sowers, M. H.
	N2nd Lt. Limpach, W.C.	Sgt. Henteleff, M.
	B2nd Lt. Jednak, E.	Sgt. Albright, D.B.
	PSgt. Myers, J.L.	
	OB	

4. RESULTS OF BOMBING.

Target Hamburg Time Bombs Away 1148 Altitude 25300

Number of Bombs Dropped 20 x 250 Number of Bombs Returned 0

Number of Bombs Jettisoned 0

Observed Results of Bombing UNOBSERVED (Time, Place, and Reason)

*Track at Bombs Away _____ *Track after Bombs Away _____

*Evasive Action (I.P. to Target) _____ (Description)

*Length of Time in Straight-Level Flight _____ (Get this information from Lead Crews ONLY)

5. ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

Number of E/A Seen 5026 Types FW-190's

Number of E/A Attacking 5026 Types FW-190

Story of Attacks 1153-5325-24000' - 5026 FW-190's (Time, Place, Altitude, Squadrons Attacked)

hit from 60' high - almost level. came thru line ahead as they reached the formation (right in formation - just ahead #2 ship). They broke away - a couple to the right peeled off down first - the others a little later got ahead of formation + peeled off to left and went down first. One in middle slowed

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