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Giurgui, Romania

MISSION NO. 62

11 June 1944

FIELD ORDER NO. 67

(Annex 1, Field Order 67, 11 June 44)

BRIEFING OUTLINE.

1. No. of aircraft on mission 39 B-24s.
2. Group leader Major GRAFF
3. Deputy group leader Major LANFORD
4. Second section leader Capt. BECHTOLD
5. Second deputy leader Lieut SCHOENE
6. Other groups on mission 454, 456, 459 BGs.
7. Fighter escort Two Gps P-38s, 1st, 14th FGs.
8. Bomb load and fuzing 18/250# GP .1 N & mixt .01 & .025T
9. Ammunition carried 4200 rounds, .50 calibre.
10. Fuel and oil load 2700 gals, full oil service.
11. Time at stations 0415B.
12. Take off instructions Taxi to South at 0515B for take off to North at 0525B.

ORDER OF TAKE OFF.

| BOX | 1st Attack Unit | | | 2nd Attack Unit | | |
|-----|-----------------|-----|----------------|-----------------|------|---|
| | A | B | C | D | E | F |
| 257 | 166 | 494 | 879 | 583 | 4400 | |
| 862 | 476 | 261 | 312 | 283 | 748 | |
| 241 | 517 | 482 | 500 | 161 | 234 | |
| 200 | 499 | 259 | 270 | 294 | 198 | |
| 240 | 425 | 993 | 994 | 982 | 264 | |
| 570 | 249 | 292 | 351 | 232 | 208 | |
| 216 | 855 | 238 | 167 | | 939 | |

13. Bomber rendezvous 1st Combat Wing (459,454) at GUILVIA at 3000 feet at 0615B.
 2nd Combat Wing (456,455) at STORNARA at 4000 feet at 0617B.
14. Course to target Base to Keypoint KOLAJ (41 53N 19 29E) to Turnpoint PRIZEN (42 13N 20 45E) to Turnpoint ROSI ROSIORII DE VEDE (44 08N 24 59E) to IP to target. Keypoint time 0716B at 12000 feet.
15. Time at target 0855B
16. Initial Point DRAGANESTI (44 07N 25 36E)
17. Axis of attack 129 degrees M.
18. Direction of rally Right
19. Bombing formation Nine-ship front with second attack unit stacked down.
20. Bombardier information Unit leader sight for range and deflection; box leaders for range; others toggle on leads.
21. Return course Rally to BOZICA (42 36N 22 25E) to Keypoint to base.
22. E.T.R. 1147B.

Loading Lists

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|-----|-----|---------|---|--|
| 740 | 939 | 9/11/44 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Lt Murphy✓ Lt Russell✓ Lt Emery✓ Lt SwansonS/Sgt Du Beau | <ul style="list-style-type: none">T/Sgt SchoeneS/Sgt GrahamSgt JozefowiczS/Sgt HollinsworthS/Sgt Lauer |
| 740 | 208 | | <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Lt Riley✓ Lt Laffey✓ Lt Ames✓ Lt ConnerS/Sgt Lewis | <ul style="list-style-type: none">T/Sgt DunnS/Sgt EarleS/Sgt MartinS/Sgt MacormieS/Sgt Harper |
| 740 | 400 | 6/11/44 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Lt Hynson✓ Lt Moore✓ Lt Keller✓ Lt BanksT/Sgt McFall | <ul style="list-style-type: none">T/Sgt WatermondS/Sgt DanielS/Sgt LinebergerS/Sgt HarpsterS/Sgt Strange |
| 740 | 234 | 6/11/44 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Lt Scribshaw✓ Lt Ennis✓ Lt Blanco✓ Lt StelleS/Sgt Angelides | <ul style="list-style-type: none">T/Sgt DohertyS/Sgt HodgsonS/Sgt QueerS/Sgt SomersS/Sgt Thomas |
| 740 | 270 | 6/11/44 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Lt Prosser✓ Lt Giles✓ Lt Frantz✓ Lt KratzT/Sgt Marhenke | <ul style="list-style-type: none">T/Sgt AustinS/Sgt CollinsS/Sgt CarlsonS/Sgt King M.S/Sgt Hubsch |
| 740 | 748 | 6/11/44 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Lt Pendleton✓ Lt Millar✓ Lt Pramik✓ Lt KatzT/Sgt Keen | <ul style="list-style-type: none">T/Sgt BeardenS/Sgt AdamsS/Sgt GroomeS/Sgt CountsS/Sgt Goble S/Sgt Pascavage |

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Loading Lists

9/11/44

✓ Lt Adkisson
 ✓ Lt Jenkins
 ✓ Lt Sobel
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 S/Sgt Holdsworth

S/Sgt Jepsen
 Sgt Taylor
 Sgt Dayton
 Sgt Le Cuyer
 Sgt Ferenz

740

351

9/11/44

✓ Lt Johnson D.
 ✓ P/O Robertson
 ✓ Lt Teasdale
 ✓ Lt Daniels L.V.
 T/Sgt Freeman

T/Sgt Thigpen
 S/Sgt Jackson
 S/Sgt Merrill
 S/Sgt Fry
 S/Sgt Johnson R.J.

740

198

9/11/44

✓ Lt Bethune
 ✓ Lt Colby
 ✓ Lt Asip
 Lt Asip
 T/Sgt Collum

T/Sgt Riley
 S/Sgt Fisher
 S/Sgt Brown
 S/Sgt Yaus
 S/Sgt Sievers

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S/Sgt Bolling

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994

6/11/44

✓ Lt Preston
 ✓ Lt Biro
 ✓ Lt Bright
 ✓ Lt Mason
 S/Sgt McClure

S/Sgt Lutes
 Sgt Huntley
 Sgt Forbes
 Sgt Peterman
 Sgt Fullbright

741ST BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H) AAF
 41ST BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H) AAF
 A.P.O. No. 520 U. S. Army

6 - 18 - 44
 (DATE)

L O A D I N G L I S T

A/C NUMBER 862 DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

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|------------|--------------------------|--------------|-------------|
| PILOT | ✓ Lt. Wurtz | TOP TUR GNR | Sgt. Draper |
| CO-PILOT | ✓ Major Lanford | WAIST RIGHT | Sgt. Newman |
| NAVIGATOR | ✓ Lt. M cWilliams, Taber | WAIST LEFT | Sgt. Klein |
| BOMBARDIER | ✓ Lt. McMehon | BALL TUR GNR | |
| RADIO | Sgt. Gross | TAIL TUR GNR | Sgt. K ampa |

A/C NUMBER 499 DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

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|------------|---------------|--------------|-------------------------------|
| PILOT | ✓ Lt. Keogh | TOP TUR GNR | Sgt. Steinhauer |
| CO-PILOT | ✓ Lt. Couget | WAIST RIGHT | Sgt. Schindler |
| NAVIGATOR | ✓ Lt. Crowley | WAIST LEFT | Sgt. Earl |
| BOMBARDIER | ✓ Lt. Grimm | BALL TUR GNR | Sgt. Delaney Anderson |
| RADIO | Sgt. Daly | TAIL TUR GNR | Sgt. Buslet Delany |

A/C NUMBER 241 DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

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|------------|--------------------|--------------|--------------|
| PILOT | ✓ Lt. Heathcote | TOP TUR GNR | Sgt. Stober |
| CO-PILOT | ✓ Lt. Higginbotham | WAIST RIGHT | Sgt. Moore |
| NAVIGATOR | ✓ Lt. Jackson | WAIST LEFT | Sgt. Rishko |
| BOMBARDIER | ✓ Lt. Miller | BALL TUR GNR | Sgt. Kerr |
| RADIO | Sgt. Shotwell | TAIL TUR GNR | Sgt. Bennett |

A/C NUMBER 855 DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

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|------------|--------------------|--------------|---------------|
| PILOT | ✓ Lt. Gorski | TOP TUR GNR | Sgt. Merfield |
| CO-PILOT | ✓ Lt. Disbrow | WAIST RIGHT | Sgt. Vincent |
| NAVIGATOR | ✓ Lt. Hale | WAIST LEFT | Sgt. Weeks |
| BOMBARDIER | ✓ Lt. Scott | BALL TUR GNR | Sgt. Magnuson |
| RADIO | Sgt. Pietruszewski | TAIL TUR GNR | Sgt. Beauvais |

A/C NUMBER 216 DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

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|------------|-----------------|--------------|-----------------|
| PILOT | ✓ Lt. Snider | TOP TUR GNR | Sgt. Richardson |
| CO-PILOT | ✓ Lt. Durant | WAIST RIGHT | Sgt. Murchison |
| NAVIGATOR | ✓ Lt. Vince | WAIST LEFT | Sgt. Blackman |
| BOMBARDIER | ✓ Lt. Johnson | BALL TUR GNR | Sgt. Wright |
| RADIO | Sgt. Van Sickle | TAIL TUR GNR | Sgt. Brigalli |

A/C NUMBER 517 DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

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|------------|-----------------|--------------|--------------|
| PILOT | ✓ Lt. Rosenberg | TOP TUR GNR | Sgt. Cavano |
| CO-PILOT | ✓ Lt. Anderson | WAIST RIGHT | Sgt. Klenman |
| NAVIGATOR | ✓ Lt. Nolish | WAIST LEFT | Sgt. Jones |
| BOMBARDIER | ✓ Lt. Nolish | BALL TUR GNR | Sgt. Huyck |
| RADIO | Sgt. Curl | TAIL TUR GNR | Sgt. Lewis |

741ST BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H) AAF
 45TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H) AAF
 A.P.O. No. 520 U. S. Army

6 - 12 - 44
 (DATE)

LOADING LIST

A/C NUMBER 425 DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

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|------------|----------------|--------------|-----------------|
| PILOT | ✓ Lt. Wigely | TOP TUR GNR | Sgt. Buffington |
| CO-PILOT | Lt. Teel | WAIST RIGHT | Sgt. Huber |
| NAVIGATOR | Lt. ✓ Brier | WAIST LEFT | Sgt. Conroy |
| BOMBARDIER | Lt. ✓ Haessley | BALL TUR GNR | Sgt. Dixon |
| RADIO | Sgt. Baner | TAIL TUR GNR | Sgt. Strickland |

A/C NUMBER 166 DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

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|------------|----------------|--------------|----------------|
| PILOT | ✓ Lt. Bowers | TOP TUR GNR | Sgt. Fox |
| CO-PILOT | Lt. Harrington | WAIST RIGHT | Sgt. DeMosh |
| NAVIGATOR | Lt. ✓ Briniak | WAIST LEFT | Sgt. Moser |
| BOMBARDIER | Lt. ✓ Bailen | BALL TUR GNR | Sgt. Finks |
| RADIO | Sgt. Gamble | TAIL TUR GNR | Sgt. Pendleton |

A/C NUMBER 249 DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

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|------------|-------------------|--------------|--------------------|
| PILOT | ✓ Lt. Adair | TOP TUR GNR | Sgt. Huggins |
| CO-PILOT | Lt. Vralstad | WAIST RIGHT | Sgt. Lundquist |
| NAVIGATOR | Lt. ✓ Winklehorst | WAIST LEFT | Sgt. Watson |
| BOMBARDIER | Lt. ✓ McCracken | BALL TUR GNR | Sgt. Louge |
| RADIO | Sgt. Dendy | TAIL TUR GNR | Sgt. <u>Puslat</u> |

A/C NUMBER 476 DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

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|------------|-------------------|--------------|--------------|
| PILOT | ✓ Lt. Smith | TOP TUR GNR | Sgt. Beeler |
| CO-PILOT | Lt. Sutera | WAIST RIGHT | Sgt. Elliott |
| NAVIGATOR | Lt. Grim | WAIST LEFT | Sgt. Fisher |
| BOMBARDIER | Lt. ✓ Bakanuaskas | BALL TUR GNR | Sgt. Powkes |
| RADIO | Sgt. Muse | TAIL TUR GNR | Sgt. Moran |

A/C NUMBER 257 DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

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|------------|--------------------------|--------------|-----------------|
| PILOT | ✓ MAJ GRAFF | TOP TUR GNR | Sgt. Hodson |
| CO-PILOT | ✓ Lt. Liberty | WAIST RIGHT | Sgt. Libby |
| NAVIGATOR | ✓ MAJ Lt. Kline ✓ Cahill | WAIST LEFT | Sgt. Bansi |
| BOMBARDIER | ✓ MAJ Lt. Callan | BALL TUR GNR | Sgt. Ashley |
| RADIO | Sgt. Swales | TAIL TUR GNR | Sgt. Kennington |

A/C NUMBER _____ DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

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| PILOT | | TOP TUR GNR | |
| CO-PILOT | | WAIST RIGHT | |
| NAVIGATOR | | WAIST LEFT | |
| BOMBARDIER | | BALL TUR GNR | |
| RADIO | | TAIL TUR GNR | |

742nd Bombardment Squadron (H)
 APO #520 U. S. Army

11 June 1944

SUBJECT: Crews completing mission on 11 June 1944

TO : Operations Officer, 455th Bomb Group (H)

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| <u>Ship 570</u> | <u>Ship 494</u> | <u>Ship 482</u> | <u>Ship 292</u> | <u>Ship 261</u> |
| P ✓ Cowden | ✓ Nelson | ✓ Tanner | ✓ Jackson | ✓ Gorecki |
| CP ✓ Fleming | ✓ Morris | ✓ Hawley | ✓ Ahrens | ✓ Swartz |
| N ✓ Taylor | | ✓ Santana | ✓ Smith | ✓ Giovannitti |
| B ✓ Gidden | ✓ Bastin | ✓ Watchendonk | ✓ Tolar | ✓ Holt |
| Bakos | ✓ Skelton | Waugh | Sloper | Graves |
| Boucher | ✓ Chance | Mizell | Beitz | Wantuck |
| Washburn | ✓ Latham V. | Enghaus | Truex | Griggs |
| O'Neill | ✓ Latham L. | Chase | Cristanus | Talkington |
| Bodman | ✓ Miller | Malchow | Rosenberg | Lecomte |
| Matheson | ✓ Hill | Jackson | Citino | Reese |
| Sanctiago (F) | | | | |

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| <u>Ship 259</u> | <u>Ship 240</u> | <u>Ship 238</u> | <u>Ship 200</u> | <u>Ship 993</u> |
| P ✓ Brimage | ✓ Medenhall | ✓ Mc ee | ✓ Nash | ✓ Montgomery |
| CP ✓ Matt | ✓ Massey | ✓ W. R. Brown | ✓ Boldt | ✓ Sabo |
| N ✓ Spier | ✓ Soltys | | ✓ Gross | ✓ Schneider |
| B | ✓ Popadines | ✓ Boulware | ✓ Epperson | ✓ Guido |
| Stinson | ✓ Ambrosini | Dressel | Romano | Pritchard |
| Cowan | ✓ Miller | Bench | Pelkey | Mason |
| Palombo | ✓ Gilliam | Goldman | Bennett | Button |
| Blanco | ✓ Slater | Pittman | Hoffmeister | Kyle |
| Green | ✓ Stephenson | Graham | Frawley | Leithauser |
| Eginton | ✓ Handley | Grauwiller | Brock | Smith |

Combat Time _____ :

Target: _____ :

RICHARD A. GOSLINE
 1st Lt, Air Corps
 Operations Officer

743RD BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
 Office of the Operations Officer
 APO 520

MISSION NO. 62

11 June 1944.

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| <u>SHIP #294(2-2-4)</u> | | | <u>SHIP #379(1-1-2)</u> | | | <u>SHIP #161</u> | | |
| P | ✓ NEUMAN, D. J. | LT. | ✓ BECHTOLD, W. C. | CAPT. | ✓ BRATHER, J. F. | LT. | | |
| CP | ✓ GAYEA, J. E. | LT. | ✓ HANEY, R. J. | LT. | ✓ BOWLES, F. M. | LT. | | |
| N | ✓ BAUMERT, R. H. | LT. | ✓ SPICER, C. D. | LT. | ✓ ATWELL, E. C. | LT. | | |
| B | ✓ JOHNSON, E. H. | LT. | ✓ MANNING, H. L. | LT. | ✓ SLAUGHTER, W. K. | LT. | | |
| E | Ledbetter, E. | Sgt. | Ingalls, E. D. | Sgt. | Oden, C. A. | Sgt. | | |
| R | Kloos, G. W. | Sgt. | Murray, V. | Sgt. | Garcia, C. N. | Sgt. | | |
| Ae. | Kennedy, C. J. | Sgt. | Vance, D. S. | Sgt. | Ploor, N. L. | Sgt. | | |
| AR | Phillips, E. A. | Sgt. | Owen, B. G. | Sgt. | Schmiedeskamp, H. J. | Sgt. | | |
| AG | Hilgendorf, M. W. | Sgt. | Bush, D. D. | Sgt. | Price, D. H. | Sgt. | | |
| AG | Peck, R. B. | Sgt. | Catt, J. L. | Sgt. | McKenzke, D. | Sgt. | | |
| <u>SHIP # 283 (2-2-9)</u> | | | <u>SHIP #583(Led High Pt)</u> | | | <u>SHIP#500(2-2-3)</u> | | |
| P | ✓ SMITH, J. D. | CAPT. | ✓ COOK, R. L. | LT. | ✓ BRAUNINGER, F. W. | LT. | | |
| CP | ✓ ARMSTRONG, A. I. | LT. | ✓ TIGERT, H. E. | LT. | ✓ MURPHY, R. M. | LT. | | |
| N | ✓ JENKINS, W. E. | LT. | ✓ WOODLOCK, D. J. | LT. | ✓ GRANT, J. W. | LT. | | |
| B | ✓ SCHEEREN, T. M. | LT. | ✓ RANDALL, F. P. | LT. | ✓ ROBINSON, J. P. | LT. | | |
| R | Roberts, W. R. | Sgt. | Bordwell, K. | Sgt. | ROBINSON, J. P. | LT. | | |
| E | Caldwell, G. S. | Sgt. | Balchunas, A. | Sgt. | Luscinskas, F. W. | Sgt. | | |
| AEE | Kohut, M. | Sgt. | Wells, J. L. | Sgt. | Shepard, J. W. | Sgt. | | |
| AR | Manuel, J. E. | Sgt. | Herbert, A. G. | Sgt. | McMillian, J. P. | Sgt. | | |
| AG | Hussey, H. E. | Sgt. | Parks, E. E. | Sgt. | Bailey, W. E. | Sgt. | | |
| AG | Harris, I. E. | Sgt. | Houssell, C. W. | Sgt. | Kleeman, R. E. | Sgt. | | |
| | | | Photo. Lamnoye, R. | Sgt. | Lewis, E.P. | Sgt. | | |
| <u>SHIP982</u> | | | <u>SHIP# 232</u> | | | <u>SHIP #312 (DRox #2)</u> | | |
| P | ✓ MAURER, M. | F/O | ✓ YOUNG, L. L. | LT. | ✓ SCHOENE, H. R. | LT. | | |
| CP | ✓ POTUCEK, E. D. | LT. | ✓ HENSKE, E. J. | LT. | ✓ COLMAN, O. C. | LT. | | |
| N | ✓ CAPLE, R. V. | LT. | ✓ FREDERICKSON, C. B. | LT. | ✓ HAYWOOD, R. F. | LT. | | |
| B | ✓ FREIHEIT, W. W. | LT. | ✓ BROYAN, C. B. | LT. | ✓ DAVIS, P. J. | LT. | | |
| R | Ferbanis, J. | Sgt. | Thuma, J. A. | Sgt. | Wallace, E. N. | Sgt. | | |
| E | Chlan, R. P. | Sgt. | Green, W. P. | Sgt. | Willems, E. M. | Sgt. | | |
| AE | Everhart, H. B. | Sgt. | Ware, C. H. | Sgt. | Cushing, W. | Sgt. | | |
| AR | Gulley, C. H. | Sgt. | Waller, R. N. | Sgt. | Palmer, F. W. | Sgt. | | |
| AG | Olsowsky, E. E. | Sgt. | Entrop, H. | Sgt. | Hosac, C. W. | Sgt. | | |
| AG | Vohtko, J. M. | Sgt. | Edgington, R. D. | Sgt. | Berg, H. C. | Sgt. | | |

455 E. BOMBARDMENT GROUP

A.P.O. 520

FORMATION DIAGRAM

ST SECTION

Staff Liberty

MISSION NO 62
DATE 6-11-44

NOT OFF

Bowles 166

Smith 476

Keogh 499

Gorski 855

Wagley 425

Adair 249

Rosenberg 517

Mendenhall 240

Nash 200

Snider 216

Cowden 570

Heathcote 241

Nelson 494

Montgomery 993

Mc Kee 238

Jackson 292

Tanner 482

Burnage 259

Gorski 261

Nelson 494

Cowden 570

Heathcote 241

Nelson 494

Montgomery 993

Mc Kee 238

Jackson 292

Tanner 482

Burnage 259

Gorski 261

Nelson 494

2 ND SECTION

MIA Bechtold 879

Braubinger 500

Prosser 270

Johnson 351

Penlagon 748

Hynsien 400

Scrimshaw 234

Riley 208

Murphy 939

Bethune 198

Ad Kissen 264

Johnson 351

Prosser 270

Penlagon 748

Hynsien 400

Scrimshaw 234

Riley 208

Murphy 939

Schene 312

Prather 161

Neuman 294

Young 232

Cook 583

Smith 283

Maurer 982

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Kebsack 187