

455th Bomb Group, Field Orders, FO#163, Munich West M/Y, Germany 11/25/44

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HEADQUARTERS
455th BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H), AAF
APO 520 U. S. Army,

25 November 1944.

FIELD ORDERS)
NUMBER 163)

Maps: 1/500,000 of NAPOLI, CHIETI, VENEZIA, BOLZANO, MUNICHEN.

1. a. ENEMY DEFENSE:

(1) Primary target is MUNICH West M/Y. First alternate is INNSBRUCK Main M/Y. There are 278 A/A guns at the Primary and 53 guns at INNSBRUCK.

(2) There are 40-50 night fighters in the target area.

b. FRIENDLY FORCES:

(1) None.

(2) None.

2. Four PFF A/C will take off at 0045A; depart from CERIGNOLA at 3,000 feet at 30 sec intervals beginning at 0100A to 0103A, with the 459th, 454th, 455th and 456th BGs in order; attack MUNICH West M/Y, MPI, H/I 18 on TC 13-5-NA between 0415A and 0427A, using 500# RDX bombs with 2 bombs per A/C fused long delay of 6 to 24 hours, intervalometer setting 50 feet; axis of attack 49° Mag; rally right and return to base at 0632A.

3. Bombing altitude will be 24,000 to 25,000 feet; target elevation 1722 ft. AF Formation will be two columns: Loose column of WGs with 304th, 49th, 55th and 47th in left column and 5th Wg in right column. Only PFF modified for night flying will be employed. In event any A/C encounters enemy A/C immediate warning will be radioed to A/C following. Accurate route timing is essential for the success of the mission. In event that adequate cloud cover fails along route over enemy territory the mission will be abandoned. Adequate cloud cover is considered to mean cover that can be gotten into quickly in case of attack by enemy A/C. One leaflet bomb will be loaded in one A/C of each Group with a 48 second fusing.

4. No change.

5. a. All A/C after departing on course will stand by on VHF Channel "A".

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742ND BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
APO 320 U.S. ARMY

24 NOVEMBER 1944

SUBJECT: CREW COMPLETING MISSION ON 25 NOVEMBER 1944
TO : OPERATIONS OFFICER, 455TH BOMB GP (H)

SHIP 010
P LT REYNOLDS
CP LT PHILLIPS
N LT KIEFFER
B LT MUISE
BEARS
KINCAID
FRONTZ
XX CADENBACH
CUNNINGHAM, G.
CEKLINSKI
LT HAROUTUNIAN, (PFF)

TIME _____

TARGET _____

LLOYD M. GRIFFIN,
CAPTAIN, AIR CORPS,
OPERATIONS OFFICER.

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

25 November 1944
Nite Mission

MISSION NO 158

COMBAT LOADING LIST

A/C NO. 156

P	SWEARINGEN, TM	LT
CP	METZ, DJ	LT
N	BARR, CA	LT
B	ZAGORIA, HM	LT
MN	ARMANDO, MJ	LT
E	MURRAY, JC	SGT
RO	GOOSTREE, JL	SGT
AG	ROEGNER, KO	SGT
BG	SPECHT, EJ	SGT
TG	RENNER, DL	SGT
NG	MIDDLETON, HN	SGT

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