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Dubrova Oil Refinery, Czechoslovakia

Mission No. 98

20 August 1944

FIELD ORDER NO. 103

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BRIEFING OUTLINE.

1. No. of aircraft on mission 30 B24s
2. Group leader Major Thayer
3. Deputy group leader Capt Cook, Lt. Kafka
4. Baker box leader Lieut Preston
5. Charlie Box leader Capt. Rosenberg
6. Other groups on mission 459, 456 BGs.
7. Fighter escort 332nd, 52nd, 82nd FGs.
8. Bomb load and fuzing 500# GP .1 N .025 T.
9. Ammunition carried 4200 rounds, 50 calibre
10. Gas and oil load 2700 gals, full oil service.
11. Time at stations 0600B
12. Take off instructions Taxi to south end of field for take off to north at 0710B.

ORDER OF TAKE OFF:

"A" BOX	"B" BOX	"C" BOX
131	402	166
135	892	397
764	741	499
267	898	088
055	994	279
583	326	199
283	400	517
982	492	240
330	332	105
310	609	989

13. Bomber rendezvous Over CERIGNOLA with base altitude of 3,000 feet at 0754B.
14. Course to target Base to Keypoint VRBOVSKA (43 22E 16 42N) to TP DAVOR (45 07N 17 31E) to TP NJEGOSEVAC (45 34N 18 12E) to TP NATVAN (47 40N 19 40E) to IP to Target. Keypoint time 0840B at 13,000 feet.
15. Initial point 48 49N 19 42E (RR bridge over HRON R)
16. Axis of attack 267° M
- Time at target 1047B
18. Bombing formation Col mn of 9 ship boxes, stacked down.
19. Bombardier information Bombing altitude 19,500 feet, target elevation 1390 feet, intervalometer setting 25'.
20. Direction of rally Left.
21. Return course to Base Rally to HATVAN and reverse of out.
22. E. T. R. 1330B

455 E. BOMBARDMENT GROUP

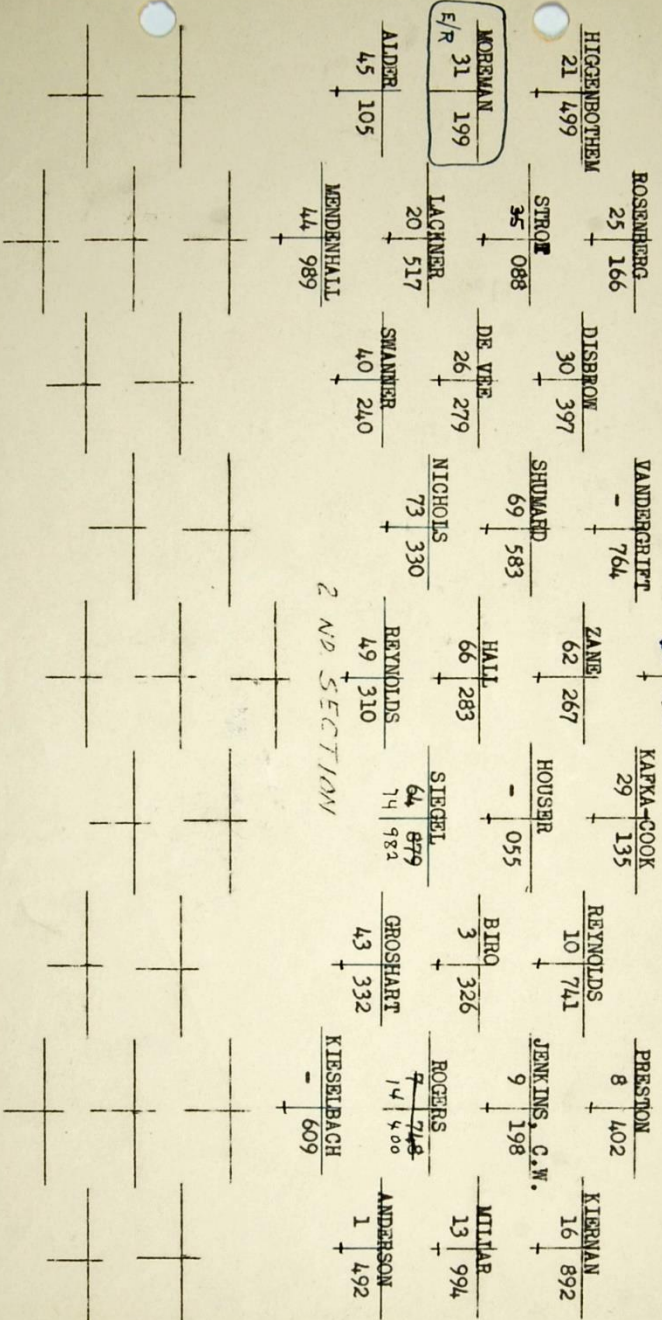
A.P.O. 520

FORMATION DIAGRAM

1 ST SECTION

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2ND SECTION

MOREMAN 31 199
 HIGGENBOTHAM 21 499
 ROSENBERG 25 166
 STROBE 35 088
 LACKNER 20 517
 DE VEE 26 279
 SHUMARD 69 583
 HALL 66 283
 REYNOLDS 49 310
 SIEGEL 64 879
 GROSHART 43 332
 KIESELBACH 609
 ANDERSON 1 492
 MILLAR 13 994
 JENKINS, G.W. 9 198
 KIERMAN 16 892
 BIRRO 3 326
 ROYERS 14 400
 REYNOLDS 10 741
 HOUSER 055
 KAFKA-COOK 29 135
 PRESTON 8 402
 VANDERGRIFT 764
 ZANE 62 267
 NICHOLS 73 330
 SWANNER 40 240
 MENDENHALL 44 989
 ALDER 45 105
 CHAYNE 4 131
 KAUFMAN 29 135
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740	721	8/20/44	
740	492	8/20/44	S/Sgt Lekan Sgt Ekstrom Sgt Demitriu Sgt Cadwalder Sgt Booth
740	892	8/20/44	T/Sgt Ball R.M. S/Sgt Fitch S/Sgt Brown S/Sgt Brazil S/Sgt Bozek
740	994	8/20/44	T/Sgt Lewis S/Sgt Martin S/Sgt Macormic S/Sgt Earle S/Sgt Lauer
740	400	8/20/44	S/Sgt Smith Schmidt Sgt Diles Sgt Wagner Sgt Ford Sgt Porter
740	198	8/20/44	S/Sgt Clements Sgt Hinrichs Sgt Wilson S/Sgt Sgt Bond
740	326	8/20/44	Sgt Seims Sgt Dunham Sgt Lehmeier Sgt Hubbard A/Sgt Wagner F.M.

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S/Sgt Reynolds
T/Sgt
T/Sgt
T/Sgt
T/Sgt

S/Sgt
S/Sgt
S/Sgt
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S/Sgt

180

740

741

8/20/44

Lt Reynolds
Lt Cupka
Lt Golden
Lt Nelson
S/Sgt Rhodes

S/Sgt Brutman
Sgt Crooks
Sgt Bordner
Sgt Ciulla
Sgt Eyster

740

402

8/20/44

Lt Preston
Lt Bowling
Lt Bright
Lt Mason
T/Sgt McClure

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

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

20 August 1944.

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LOADING LIST

A/C NUMBER 166 DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

PILOT	Capt. Rosenberg	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Cavano
CO-PILOT	Lt. Zabawa	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Jones
NAVIGATOR	Lt. Holish	WAIST LEFT	
BOMBARDIER	Lt. Bosler	BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Huyck
RADIO	Sgt. Baker, R. W.	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Cody

A/C NUMBER 088 DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

PILOT	Lt. Strot	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Rues
CO-PILOT	Lt. Kellacher	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Sassi
NAVIGATOR	Lt. Leigh	WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Turner
BOMBARDIER	Lt. Hanson	BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Mackintosh
RADIO	Sgt. Fischer	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Dave

A/C NUMBER 279 DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

PILOT	Lt. Deves	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Taylor
CO-PILOT	Lt. Haes	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Forgiome
NAVIGATOR	Lt. Knapp	WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Ryder
BOMBARDIER	Lt. McGahren	BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Himmelford
RADIO	Sgt. Lewis	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. McCarter

A/C NUMBER 397 DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

PILOT	Lt. Dibrow	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Herfeld
CO-PILOT	Lt. Stuart	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Vincent
NAVIGATOR	Lt.	WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Weeks
BOMBARDIER	Lt. Keegan	BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Finks
RADIO	Sgt. Cornell	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Beauvais

A/C NUMBER 517 DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

PILOT	Lt. Lackner	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Buffington
CO-PILOT	Lt. Teal	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Conroy
NAVIGATOR	Lt.	WAIST LEFT	
BOMBARDIER	Lt. Scott	BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Dixon
RADIO	Sgt. Bauer	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Belcher

A/C NUMBER 499 DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

PILOT	Lt. Higginbotham	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Plicher
CO-PILOT	Lt. Shaffer	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Schramer
NAVIGATOR	Lt. Gleason	WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Davis
BOMBARDIER	Lt. Brown	BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Adams
RADIO	Sgt. Harwood	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Hamer

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A/C NUMBER 135 DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

PILOT	Lt. KeEka	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Otto
CO-PILOT	COOK	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Shaffer
NAVIGATOR	<i>Rogers</i>	WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Vestal
BOMBARDIER	<i>Rogers</i>	BALL TUR GNR	
RADIO	Sgt. Mcgullen	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Chapootian

A/C NUMBER 199 DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

PILOT	Lt. Moreman	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Alford
CO-PILOT	Lt. Pearson	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Hutter
NAVIGATOR	Lt. Corsello	WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Toll
BOMBARDIER	Lt. DiMatteo	BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Hutchings
RADIO		TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Bales

A/C NUMBER _____ DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

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

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

A/C NUMBER _____ DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

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

A/C NUMBER _____ DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

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

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74th BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
APO# 520 US ARMY

20 Augst 1944.

SUBJECT: Crews Completing Mission on 20 August 1944.

TO : Operations Officer, 455th Bomb Gp (H).

SHIP #240

F LT SWANEN
CP LT ABLER
R LT SCHLES
B LT MCCORMEX
PROFESSOR
THOMAS
BLUMBERG
FRATT
LUCY
FRANK

SHIP #105

LT ALLEN
LT BRIDGER
LT KOTZ
LT HORGARD
MITCHELL, D.
JONSON, V.
TOMBS
HORNBAUM
VANDELL
KRISTEL

SHIP #289

LT MENDERHALL
LT FLEMING
LT CLARK
BRUS
BOUCHER
O'BELL
NATHANSON
SUDMAN
FRANK

SHIP #609

F LT RIECHBACH
CP LT SHOFF
R LT LYMAN
B LT HARAWAY
AMBROGINI
TUTHILL
VIAER
BLICHARD
STEPHENSON
PRODES

SHIP #222 332

LT GROSHART
LT HALL
LT ROBINS
LT WACH
RUMBAUGH
NELSON
HEMPHILL
JOHNS
OLSZEWSKI
SCHUSTER

SHIP #222 310

LT REYNOLDS
LT PHILLIPS
LT KIEFFER
FRONZ
KINCALD
LALANDY
BEERS
CUNNINGHAM, G.E.
CEKLINSKI
LT ARTHUR (H)

TARGET _____

COMBAT TIME _____

RICHARD A. GOSLINE,
Captain, Air Corps,
Operations Officer.

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

20 August 1944

COMBAT LOADING LIST

MISSION NO. 98

<u>SHIP #131 (A-1)</u>			<u>SHIP #764 (A-3)</u>			<u>SHIP #267 (A-4)</u>		
P	THAYER, D.S.	MAJ.	VANDEGRIFT, J.D.	LT.	ZANE, W.R.	LT.		
CP	PRATHER, J.F.	LT.	RAWLS, J.W.	LT.	RASMUSSEN, R.E.	LT.		
N	ATWELL, E.C.	LT.	WALKER, G.T.	LT.	XX			
B	BROWN, L.V.	CAPT.	WOOLFE, R.L.	LT.	PHILLIPS, J.R.	LT.		
E	MCKENZIE, D.A.	SGT.	DOMANSKI, J.J.	SGT.	WILSON, W.W.	SGT.		
R	PRICE, D.A.	SGT.	WILSON, C.W.	SGT.	WEILAND, R.E.	SGT.		
AE	GARCIA, J.N.	SGT.	HILL, W.C.	SGT.	SICILIAN, L.J.	SGT.		
AR	OGDEN, C.A.	SGT.	BAILEY, R.A.	SGT.	SMITH, C.K.	SGT.		
AG	FLOOR, N.A.	SGT.	GRYSZCZYNSKI, E.J.	SGT.	BATHE, J.C.	SGT.		
AG	SCHMIEDESKAMP, H.J.	SGT.	TURNER, J.G.	SGT.	WILSON, R.(NMI)	SGT.		
N	BROOKSHIRE, B.H.	CAPT.	SHAW, A.B.	LT.				
V.O.	BRUNI, L.A.	LT.	BASLER, G.H.		DENKE, R.C.	LT.		
F	LANNOYE, R.J.	SGT.						
<u>SHIP #055 (A-5)</u>			<u>SHIP #583 (A-6)</u>			<u>SHIP #283 (A-7)</u>		
P	HOUSER, A.	LT.	SHUMARD, J.W.	LT.	HALL, W.H.	LT.		
CP	HENSKE, E.J.	LT.	BOWLES, E.M.	LT.	RIDGLEY, D.W.	F/O		
N	BENNER, C.B.	LT.	SORENSEN, C.E.	LT.	FELZER, Sol	LT.		
B	BELL, J.C.	LT.	BROWN, J.F.	LT.	HINES, R.J.	F/O		
E	MONTGOMERY, C.A.	SGT.	MERRITT, J.B.	SGT.	CHOATE, J.V.	SGT.		
R	OLSON, W.E.	CPL.	BAMBURG, R.I.	SGT.	CICHON, J.A.	SGT.		
AE	HERNANDEZ, R.M.	SGT.	SHOEMAKER, R.L.	SGT.	SCHRIM, A.	SGT.		
AR	GIBBS, O.	SGT.	LaPOINTE, E.S.	SGT.	CHAMPNEY, G.R.	SGT.		
AG	NORTON, R.K.	CPL.	ELEK, J.F.	SGT.	GALLOWAY, W.D.	SGT.		
AG	MARTIN, W.H.	CPL.	VREATT, H.J.	SGT.	DISRUDE, W.D.	SGT.		
CP	BROWN, J.N.	LT.	DELANEY, T.F.	F/O				
<u>SHIP #982 (A-8)</u>			<u>SHIP #330 (A-9)</u>					
P	SIEGEL, S.W.	LT.	NICHOLS, E.H.	LT.				
CP	SHUSTER, J.S.	LT.	ARMSTRONG, A.T.	LT.				
N			ROVIE, R.J.	LT.				
B	FREIHEIT, W.W.	LT.	CORBETT, M.C.	LT.				
E	FUSELEHR, C.B.	SGT.	SCHWARTZ, S.L.	SGT.				
R	RUSSELL, W.M.	SGT.	CRANEY, J.P.	SGT.				
AE	BOONE, J.E.	SGT.	TRZASKO, W.	SGT.				
AR	THUMA, J.A.	SGT.	LEE, R.S.W.	SGT.				
AG	FORCE, J.(NMI)	SGT.	BRACKEN, B.H.	SGT.				
AG	RAUSCH, C.C.	SGT.	ANDERSON, J.E.	SGT.				
		CP	JUREKA, J.F.	LT.				
		V.O.	HOLDSWORTH,	SGT.				

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