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MISSION No. 163

26 August 1944

FIELD ORDER No. 108



BRIEFING OUTLINE

1. No of aircraft on mission ----- 30 B-24's.
2. Group leader ----- Lt. Col. GRAFF
3. Deputy Gp. leader ----- Lt. Col. SNOWDEN
4. "B" Box leader ----- Lt. PRESTON
5. "C" Box leader ----- Lt. TEEL
6. Other groups on mission ----- 454, 459th, 456th, BG's
7. Fighter escort ----- 332nd FG
8. Bomb load and fuizing ----- 100# GP clustered with .1 sec N.  
and non delay tail fuzes.
9. Ammunition carried ----- 4200 rds. .50 Cal.
10. Gas and oil load ----- 2700 gal. full oil service.
11. Time at stations ----- 0515B
12. Take-off instructions ----- Taxi to South end of runway at  
0645B for take-off to North at 0610B.

ORDER OF TAKE-OFF

| "A" BOX | "B" BOX | "C" BOX | SPARE |
|---------|---------|---------|-------|
| 862     | 402     | 257     | 658   |
| 131     | 400     | 166     |       |
| 583     | 326     | 279     |       |
| 453     | 994     | 517     |       |
| 283     | 492     | 088     |       |
| 146     | 939     | 938     |       |
| 120     | 240     | 425     |       |
| 543     | 105     | 201     |       |
| 055     | 332     | 310     |       |
| 470     | 741     | 360     |       |

13. Bomber rendezvous ----- 1st C. Wg. (454th, 459th) at GIULIA at  
3,000' at 0653B. 2nd C. Wg. (456-459) at STORNARA  
at 4,000' at 0653B.
14. Route out ----- Base to KP RAGUSA (42 31N, 18 23E) to  
TP BELA PALANKA (43 13N, 22 19E) to TP ROSIORII  
DE VEDE (44 07N, 24 59E) to TP CASCIOARELE (44 08N,  
26 28E) to TP LUPTATORI (44 18N, 26 49E) to TP  
(44 34N, 26 48E) to IP to target. KP time 0753B  
at 12,000 feet.
15. Initial Point ----- URZICENI (44 43N, 26 38E). Cut inside IP  
to fly over MOVILITA (44 39N, 26 29E).
16. Axis of attack ----- 245° from MOVILITA
17. Target time ----- 1035B
18. Direction of rally ----- Sharp right then left.
19. Route back ----- To ROSIORII DE VEDE and reciprocal to base.
20. E.T.R. ----- 1305B.



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402

8/26/44

Lt preston  
Lt Biro  
Lt Bright  
Lt Mason  
T/Sgt McClure

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400

8/26/44

F/O Kolberg  
Lt Hall  
Lt Wilson  
F/O Jaffe  
T/Sgt Bonds

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326

8/26/44

Lt perkowski  
Lt Kell  
Lt Hansen  
Lt yoss  
S/sgt lightle

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994

8/26/44

Lt Rogers  
Lt Crawford W. B  
F/O Rickes  
Lt Koo  
S/Sgt Barker

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999

8/26/44

Lt Felder  
Lt Henderer  
Lt Abramowitz  
Lt spreland  
S/Sgt Bussey

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492

8/26/44

Lt Shoo  
Lt Powell  
Sgt parkin  
Lt Gemmill  
Sgt Harvey

T/sgt Lutes  
S/sgt Huntley  
S/sgt Forde  
S/sgt Peterman  
S/sgt Fullbright  
Sgt Varraher

S/sgt Preston  
S/sgt Brady  
S/sgt Wiernia  
S/sgt Roads  
S/sgt Feis

Sgt Agnoli  
Sgt Tellier  
Sgt Giles  
Sgt Cooper  
Sgt Colson

S/sgt Schmidt  
Sgt Diles  
Sgt Wagner  
Sgt Ford  
Sgt Porter

S/sgt Fike  
Sgt Anderson  
Sgt Gulia  
S/sgt Alt  
Sgt Church

S/sgt Olszewski  
Sgt Belding  
Sgt Stohman  
Sgt Rittenhouse  
Sgt Hill



170      Lt. Brown  
          Lt. Dwyer  
          Lt. Thompson  
          Sgt. Jones  
          Sgt. Smith  
          Sgt. Brown  
          Sgt. Miller  
          Sgt. Wilson  
          Sgt. Moore  
          Sgt. Taylor  
          Sgt. Evans  
          Sgt. Adams  
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Col Snowden  
 Lt Colby  
 Lt Sobel & Lt Martin  
 Lt Leaning Clark  
 T/Sgt De Rock

T/Sgt Jepsen  
 S/Sgt Le Cuyer  
 S/Sgt Ferencz  
 S/Sgt Eaton  
 S/ Sgt Taylor

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8/26/44

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

S/sgt Brutvan  
 Sgt Crooks  
 Sgt Ciulla  
 Sgt Eyster  
 Sgt Gardner



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455 E. BOMBARDMENT GROUP

A.P.O. 520

FORMATION DIAGRAM

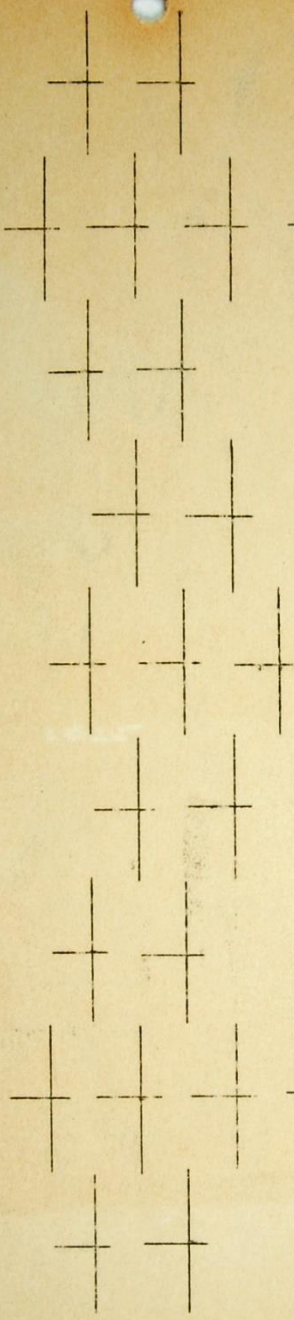
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MISSION NO. 103

DATE 26 Aug 74

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| <u>26</u><br>Parker   | <u>33</u><br>Teel    | <u>69</u><br>Zane   | <u>4</u><br>Coley     | <u>8</u><br>Breton     | <u>14</u><br>Holding  |
| <u>20</u><br>Kachner  | <u>20</u><br>Kachner | <u>72</u><br>Kozog  | <u>60</u><br>Bowles   | <u>3</u><br>Berkuski   | <u>13</u><br>Rogers   |
| <u>53</u><br>Adams    | <u>22</u><br>Zakwed  | <u>58</u><br>Aso    | <u>35</u><br>Strat    | <u>65</u><br>Loffler   | <u>11</u><br>Felder   |
| <u>49</u><br>Chambers | <u>45</u><br>Zamora  | <u>63</u><br>Houser | <u>47</u><br>Reynolds | <u>68</u><br>Zimmerman | <u>43</u><br>Grosbart |
|                       |                      |                     | 2 ND SECTION          | <u>40</u><br>Messlach  | <u>45</u><br>Wright   |
|                       |                      |                     |                       | <u>10</u><br>Reynolds  |                       |





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A.P.O. No. 520 U. S. Army

26 August  
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L O A D I N G L I S T

A/C NUMBER 517 DESTINATION \_\_\_\_\_ T/O \_\_\_\_\_

|            |             |              |                 |
|------------|-------------|--------------|-----------------|
| PILOT      | Lt. Lackner | TOP TUR GNR  | Sgt. Buffington |
| CO-PILOT   | Lt. Morgan  | WAIST RIGHT  | Sgt. Conroy     |
| NAVIGATOR  |             | WAIST LEFT   | Sgt. DeLozier   |
| BOMBARDIER | Lt. Scott   | BALL TUR GNR | Sgt. Dixon      |
| RADIO      | Sgt. Bauer  | TAIL TUR GNR | Sgt. Strickland |

A/C NUMBER 166 DESTINATION \_\_\_\_\_ T/O \_\_\_\_\_

|            |               |              |               |
|------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|
| PILOT      | Lt. Bailey    | TOP TUR GNR  | Sgt. Herman   |
| CO-PILOT   | Lt. Bone      | WAIST RIGHT  | Sgt. Pell     |
| NAVIGATOR  | Lt. Flynn     | WAIST LEFT   | Sgt. Phillips |
| BOMBARDIER | Lt. Flechsig  | BALL TUR GNR | Sgt. Hamel    |
| RADIO      | Sgt. Phillips | TAIL TUR GNR | Sgt. Walczak  |

A/C NUMBER 088 DESTINATION \_\_\_\_\_ T/O \_\_\_\_\_

|            |             |              |                 |
|------------|-------------|--------------|-----------------|
| PILOT      | Lt. Strot   | TOP TUR GNR  | Sgt. Rhea       |
| CO-PILOT   | Lt. Maes    | WAIST RIGHT  | Sgt. Fisher     |
| NAVIGATOR  | Lt. Leigh   | WAIST LEFT   | Sgt. Dawe       |
| BOMBARDIER | Lt. Hanson  | BALL TUR GNR | Sgt. Mackintosh |
| RADIO      | Sgt. Fisher | TAIL TUR GNR | Sgt. Sassi      |

A/C NUMBER 279 DESTINATION \_\_\_\_\_ T/O \_\_\_\_\_

|            |             |              |               |
|------------|-------------|--------------|---------------|
| PILOT      | Lt. Disbrow | TOP TUR GNR  | Sgt. Murphy   |
| CO-PILOT   | Lt. Pearson | WAIST RIGHT  | Sgt. Weeks    |
| NAVIGATOR  |             | WAIST LEFT   | Sgt. Vincent  |
| BOMBARDIER | Lt. Keegan  | BALL TUR GNR |               |
| RADIO      | Sgt. Lewis  | TAIL TUR GNR | Sgt. Beavvais |

A/C NUMBER 257 DESTINATION \_\_\_\_\_ T/O \_\_\_\_\_

|            |            |              |                |
|------------|------------|--------------|----------------|
| PILOT      | Lt. Teel   | TOP TUR GNR  | Sgt. Cavano    |
| CO-PILOT   | Lt. Stuart | WAIST RIGHT  | Sgt. Jones     |
| NAVIGATOR  | Lt. Bosler | WAIST LEFT   | Sgt. Baker     |
| BOMBARDIER | Lt. Nolish | BALL TUR GNR | Sgt. Huyck     |
| RADIO      | Sgt. Baker | TAIL TUR GNR | Sgt. Cody      |
|            |            | Nose         | Sgt. Kleinmaus |

A/C NUMBER 425 DESTINATION \_\_\_\_\_ T/O \_\_\_\_\_

|            |               |              |                 |
|------------|---------------|--------------|-----------------|
| PILOT      | Lt. Zabawa    | TOP TUR GNR  | Sgt. Fisher     |
| CO-PILOT   | Lt. Armellino | WAIST RIGHT  | Sgt. Rimmelfard |
| NAVIGATOR  | Lt. Vogelfang | WAIST LEFT   | Sgt. Hewitt     |
| BOMBARDIER | Lt. Thatcher  | BALL TUR GNR | Sgt. DeSpain    |
| RADIO      | Sgt. Kuhn     | TAIL TUR GNR | Sgt. Miller     |

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A/C NUMBER 658 DESTINATION \_\_\_\_\_ T/O \_\_\_\_\_

|            |             |              |             |
|------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|
| PILOT      | Lt. Asa     | TOP TUR GNR  | Sgt. Teeter |
| CO-PILOT   | Lt. Weidner | WAIST RIGHT  | Sgt. Farrow |
| NAVIGATOR  | Lt. Gilson  | WAIST LEFT   | Sgt. Crowe  |
| BOMBARDIER | Lt. Culver  | BALL TUR GNR | Sgt. Jensen |
| RADIO      | Sgt. Rowden | TAIL TUR GNR | Sgt. Bruce  |

A/C NUMBER 938 DESTINATION \_\_\_\_\_ T/O \_\_\_\_\_

|            |             |              |                |
|------------|-------------|--------------|----------------|
| PILOT      | Capt. Adams | TOP TUR GNR  | Sgt. Heatherly |
| CO-PILOT   | Lt. Noske   | WAIST RIGHT  | Sgt. McPartlan |
| NAVIGATOR  | Lt. Evans   | WAIST LEFT   | Sgt. Nutter    |
| BOMBARDIER |             | BALL TUR GNR | Sgt. Hutchings |
| RADIO      | Sgt. Rhodes | TAIL TUR GNR | Sgt. Husman    |

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| 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 |  |

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| 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 |  |

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742ND BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)  
APO 520 U.S. ARMY

26 AUGUST 1944

SUBJECT: CREWS COMPLETING MISSION ON 26 AUGUST 1944

TO : OPERATIONS OFFICER, 455TH BOMB GP (H)

SHIP 332

P LT GROSHART  
CP LT HALL  
N LT RUBINS  
B LT WACHS  
RUMBAUGH  
HEMPHILL  
JOHNS  
OLSZEWSKI  
NELSON  
MORITZ

SHIP 105

LT WRIGHTSON  
LT HOCTOR  
LT JENKINS  
LT SEIGEL  
CROSBY  
GRAY  
LARRICK  
NEELEY  
CURIO  
SEPIN

SHIP 310

LT CHAMBERS  
LT WETZEL  
LT CLARK  
LT CONN  
TIMS  
MASTOPIETRO  
MITCHELL, R.  
PARKER  
SCHUSTER  
BROWN

SHIP 201

P LT NALER  
CP LT LEONHARD  
N  
B LT DRUMMOND  
ROSA  
BEHN  
MURRAY  
POR  
HOEY  
THEODORE

SHIP 470

LT REYNOLDS  
LT PHILLIPS  
  
LT ARTHUR  
FRONTZ  
KINCAID  
LAZENBY  
BEARS  
CUNNINGHAM, G.  
CEKLINSKI

SHIP 360

LT ZDUNCZYK  
LT LICHTMAN  
LT WORSTER  
LT HEAD  
MCCARTIN  
SHRADER  
CADENBACH  
LUTY  
BIRCHARD  
ROBERTSON

MIA

SHIP 240

P LT KIESELBACH  
CP LT EDWARDS  
N  
B LT MCCAULEY  
AMBROSINI  
TUTHILL  
KOBELITZ  
VIKEN  
STEPHENSON  
RHODES

TARGET \_\_\_\_\_

TIME \_\_\_\_\_

RICHARD A. GOBLINE,  
CAPTAIN, AIR CORPS,  
OPERATIONS OFFICER.

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

26 August 1944

COMBAT LOADING LIST

MISSION NO. 103

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|------------------|------------------|------|-------------------|-------|------------------|------------------|--|--|
| <u>SHIP #146</u> |                  |      | <u>SHIP #583</u>  |       |                  | <u>SHIP #283</u> |  |  |
| P                | LONG, W.P.       | LT.  | ZANE, W.R.        | LT.   | NICHOLS, E.H.    | LT.              |  |  |
| CP               | RUSHFORD, E.M.   | LT.  | RASMUSSEN, R.E.   | LT.   | JUREKA, J.F.     | LT.              |  |  |
| N                | PEDERSON, R.J.   | LT.  | SHAW, A.B.        | LT.   | ROVIE, R.I.      | LT.              |  |  |
| B                | TRUNEK, W.J.     | LT.  | PHILLIPS, J.R.    | LT.   | CORBETT, M.C.    | LT.              |  |  |
| E                | WELLS, J.L.      | SGT. | WILSON, W.W.      | SGT.  | CRANEY, J.P.     | SGT.             |  |  |
| R                | BAILEY, R.A.     | SGT. | SICILIAN, L.J.    | SGT.  | SCHWARTZ, S.L.   | SGT.             |  |  |
| AE               | REES, J.C.       | SGT. | WEILAND, R.E.     | SGT.  | LEE, R.S.W.      | SGT.             |  |  |
| AR               | GURDISH, M.J.    | SGT. | SMITH, C.G.       | SGT.  | TRAZAKA, W.      | SGT.             |  |  |
| AG               | LAIRD, D.E.      | SGT. | BATHE, J.C.       | SGT.  | BRACKEN, B.H.    | SGT.             |  |  |
| AG               | SOLEK, J.C.      | SGT. | WILSON, R. (NMI)  | SGT.  | ANDERSON, J.C.   | SGT.             |  |  |
|                  |                  |      | F MASON, D.M.     | SGT.  |                  |                  |  |  |
| <u>SHIP #120</u> |                  |      | <u>SHIP #453</u>  |       |                  | <u>SHIP #055</u> |  |  |
| P                | LOFFER, B.H.     | LT.  | BOWLES, E.M.      | LT.   | HOUSER, A.       | LT.              |  |  |
| CP               | WOLTER, R.T.     | LT.  | MERTL, W.D.       | LT.   | BROWN, J.N.      | LT.              |  |  |
| N                | FERRIS, R.R.     | LT.  | ATWELL, E.C.      | LT.   | BENNER, W.C.B.   | LT.              |  |  |
| B                | DEFENBAUGH, G.E. | LT.  | SLAUGHTER, W.H.   | LT.   | BELL, J.C.       | LT.              |  |  |
| E                | BEMIS, S.A.      | SGT. | OGDEN, C.A.       | SGT.  | OLSON, N.        | SGT.             |  |  |
| R                | ELSEN, P.R.      | SGT. | GARCIA, G.N.      | SGT.  | MONTGOMERY, A.C. | SGT.             |  |  |
| AE               | CONNELLY, J.W.   | SGT. | McKENZIE, D.A.    | SGT.  | NORTON, R.K.     | SGT.             |  |  |
| AR               | HICKS, R.A.      | SGT. | PRICE, D.H.       | SGT.  | HAFNER, R.F.     | SGT.             |  |  |
| AGG              | MURPHY, M.J.     | SGT. | PLOOR, N.A.       | SGT.  |                  |                  |  |  |
| AGG              | WILEY, R.G.      | SGT. | SCHMIEDESKAMP, H. | SGT.  |                  |                  |  |  |
| <u>SHIP #543</u> |                  |      | <u>SHIP #862</u>  |       |                  |                  |  |  |
| P                | ZIMMERMAN, W.H.  | LT.  | GRAFF, H.R.       | COL.  |                  |                  |  |  |
| CP               | McHUGH, C.S.     | LT.  | VANDERGRIFT, J.D. | LT.   |                  |                  |  |  |
| N                | SMITH, L.T.      | LT.  | PAUL, N.          | LT.   |                  |                  |  |  |
| B                | BASSETT, E.M.    | LT.  | BROWN, L.V.       | CAPT. |                  |                  |  |  |
| E                | METZDORFF, G.    | SGT. | RESEE, W.         | LT.   |                  |                  |  |  |
| R                | REED, C.         | CPL. | BORDWELL, K.F.    | SGT.  |                  |                  |  |  |
| AE               | HILLARD, R.M.    | SGT. | PEETERS, D.S.     | SGT.  |                  |                  |  |  |
| AR               | WERFEL, M.       | SGT. | STOCKDALE, L.H.   | SGT.  |                  |                  |  |  |
| AG               | SKAGENBERG, R.C. | SGT. | KORNECHUK, J.C.   | SGT.  |                  |                  |  |  |
| AGG              | McLendon, W.D.   | SGT. | GRECO, J.         | LT.   |                  |                  |  |  |
| P                | HALL, W.D.       | LT.  | BRUNI, L.A.       | LT.   |                  |                  |  |  |
| F                | SHERRIF, E.E.    | SGT. |                   |       |                  |                  |  |  |

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