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Miramas M/Y, Southern France

Mission No. 76

12 July 1944

FIELD ORDER NO. 81

BRIEFING OUTLINE.

1. No of aircraft on mission 30 B-24s.
2. Group leader Colonel COOL
3. Group deputy lead Major WELSH
4. Baker box leader Lt. COWDEN
5. Charlie Box leader Captain BECHTOLD
6. Other Groups on mission 456,454,459 BGs
7. Fighter escort 52nd FG, P-51s
8. Bomb load and fuzing 500# GP .1 N, .01 and .025 T.
9. Ammunition carried 4200 rounds .50 calibre
10. Gas and oil load 2700 gals, full oil service.
11. Time at stations 0616B
12. Take off instructions Taxi to south for take off to North at 0715B

ORDER OF TAKE OFF:

"A" BOX	"B" BOX	"C" BOX
257	989	879
359	250	267
435	938	120
749	993	583
499	355	330
644	200	161
501	208	492
328	360	264
198	234	395
270	994	400

13. Bomber rendezvous 1st Combat Wing (455,456) at STORNARA at 3,000 feet at 0758B.
 2nd Combat Wing (454,459) at SAN GIOVANNI at 4,000 feet at 0801B. 12 17E)
14. Course to target Base to T.P. LIDO (41 44N, ~~08 43E~~) to Keypoint REVELLATA (42 35N, 08 43E) to 43 00N, 05 05E) to IP to Target. Keypoint time 1022B at 16,000 feet at 43 28N, 05 05E)
15. Initial point 43 28N, 05 05E)
16. Axis of attack 336° Mag
17. Time at target 1145B
18. Bombing formation 9 ship front of 9 ship boxes.
19. Bombardier information Unit leader sight for range and deflection; box leads for range; others toggle.
20. Direction of rally Left to heading of 280° to 43 46N 04 45E.
21. Route back to base Rally point to 43 00N 04 50E to Keypoint to LIDO to Base.
22. E. T. R. 1405B.
23. Weather See Norge forecast.

455 E. BOMBARDMENT GROUP

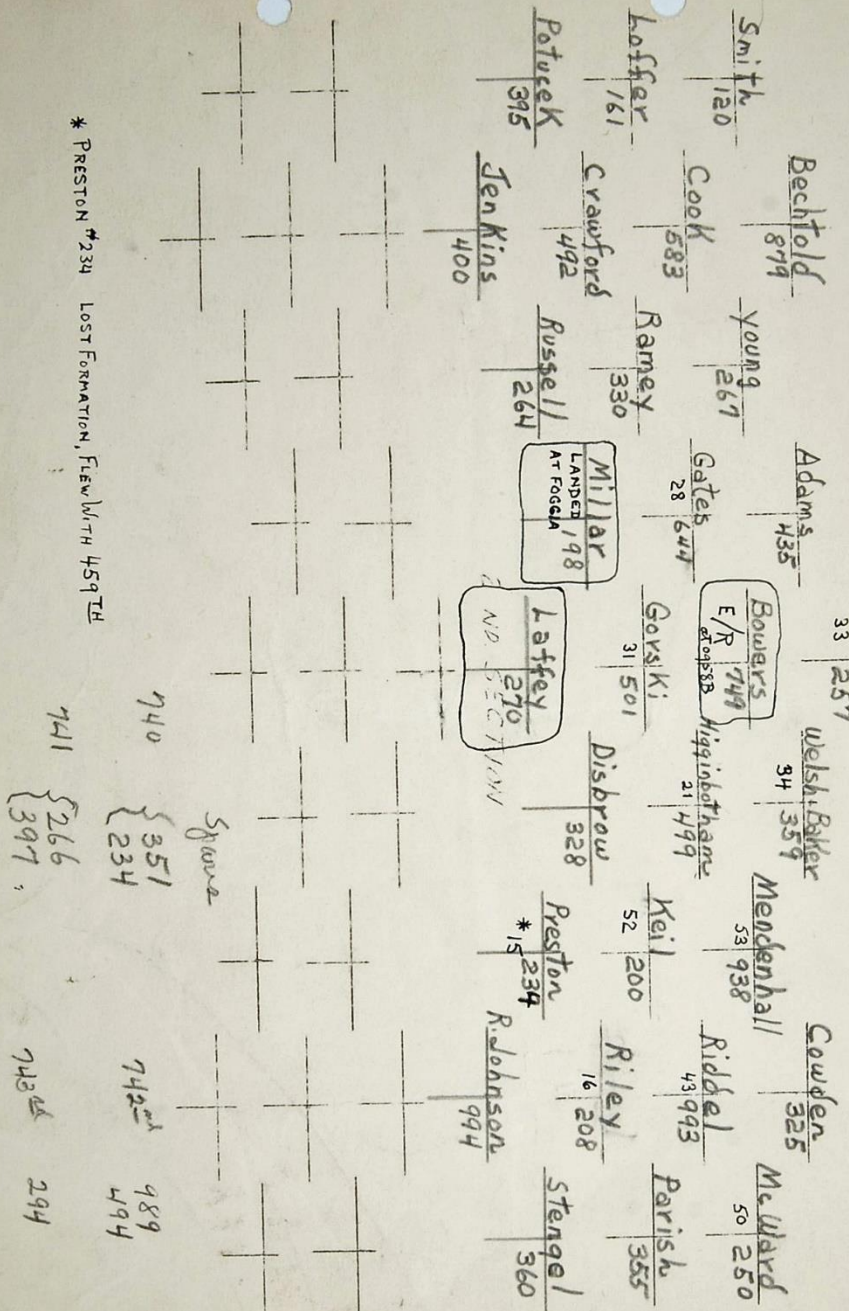
APO 520

MISSION NO. 76

DATE July 12

FORMATION DIAGRAM

1ST SECTION
 COOL LIBERTY



* PRESTON #234 LOST FORMATION, FLEW WITH 459TH

741
 { 266
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 743
 294

740
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 742
 989
 494

Spare

740		234	7/12/44	
	Lt Preston Lt Biro Lt Bright Lt Mason T/Sgt McClure			T/Sgt Lutes S/Sgt Huntley S/Sgt Forbes S/Sgt Peterman S/Sgt Fullbright
740		264	7/12/44	
	Lt Russell Lt Reynolds Lt Golden Lt Nelson S/Sgt Rhodes	400	7/12/44	S/Sgt Brutvan Sgt Ciukla Sgt Crooks Sgt Borden Sgt Hyster
740		994	7/12/44	
	Lt Jenkins Lt Colby Lt Sobel Lt Learing-Clarke S/Sgt Holdsworth			S/Sgt Ferencz S/Sgt Eaton Sgt Taylor Sgt Lecuyer S/Sgt Jepsen
740		198	N.G. 7/12/44	
	Lt Johnson R.W. Lt Ennis Lt Rice " " S/Sgt Galvin			T/Sgt Beck S/Sgt Carlson S/Sgt Hayes Sgt Church S/Sgt Brown S/Sgt Yaus
740		270	7/12/44	
	Lt Miller Lt Kolberg Lt Wilson F/O Jaffe S/Sgt Bonds			Sgt Roads S/Sgt Babcock S/Sgt Feig Sgt Wiermaa Sgt Brady
	Lt Laffey Lt Jenkins C.W. F/O Jordan Lt Benson Sgt Lines			Sgt Clements Sgt Bevil Sgt Bond Sgt Wilson W.L. Sgt Hinrichs

740

492

7/12/44

Lt Crawford
Lt Burke
Lt Annala
Lt Compton D.L.
T/Sgt Imburg

T/Sgt De Selms
S/Sgt Faut
S/Sgt Fortson
S/Sgt Kolbe
S/Sgt Crysel

740

208

7/12/44

Lt Riley
Lt Meeker
Lt Ames
"
T/Sgt Dunn

T/Sgt Lewis
S/Sgt Earle
S/Sgt Harper
S/Sgt Martin
S/Sgt Macormic

741ST BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H) AAF
 455TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H) AAF
 A.P.O. No. 520 U. S. Army

12 July 1944
 (DATE)

L O A D I N G L I S T

A/C NUMBER 257 DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

PILOT	Col. Cool	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Hudson
CO-PILOT	Capt. Liberty	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Libby
NAVIGATOR	Lt. Crowley	WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Beasi
BOMBARDIER	Maj. Horner	BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Moran
RADIO	Sgt. Swales	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Kennington

A/C NUMBER ~~359~~ ³⁹⁷ DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

PILOT	Maj. Welsh	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Swinney
CO-PILOT	Lt. Baker	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Aabye
NAVIGATOR	Lt. Winklerorst	WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Allen
BOMBARDIER	Lt. Luxenberg	BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Bopp
RADIO	Sgt. Kelley	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Applin

A/C NUMBER 435 DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

PILOT	Capt. Adams	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Heatherly
CO-PILOT	Lt. Couget	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Rhoads
NAVIGATOR	Lt. Carens	WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Kavanagh
BOMBARDIER		BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Beatty
RADIO	Sgt. Baker	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Husman

A/C NUMBER 749 DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

PILOT	Lt. Bowers	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Cavano
CO-PILOT	Lt. Kafka	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. DeMosh
NAVIGATOR		WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Moser
BOMBARDIER	Lt. Bailen	BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Finks
RADIO	Sgt. Gamble	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Pendleton

A/C NUMBER 499 DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

PILOT	Lt. Higginbotham	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Goble
CO-PILOT	Lt. Strot	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Shaffer
NAVIGATOR	Lt. White	WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Vestal
BOMBARDIER	Lt. Kujawa	BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Otto
RADIO	Sgt. McMullen	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Chapootian

A/C NUMBER 644 DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

PILOT	Lt. Gates	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Luster
CO-PILOT	Lt. Casteel	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Weinstein
NAVIGATOR	Lt. Ereck	WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Maxwell
BOMBARDIER	Lt. Saleck	BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Miller
RADIO	Sgt. Pesterino	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Mello

741ST BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H) AAF
4TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H) AAF
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A/C NUMBER 501 DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

PILOT	Lt. Gerski	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Merfeld
CO-PILOT	Lt. Hanssard	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Beauvais
NAVIGATOR	Lt. Keegan	WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Cornell
BOMBARDIER		BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Caldwell
RADIO	Bgt. Pietruszewski	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Vincent

A/C NUMBER 328 DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

PILOT	Lt. Disbrow	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Daley
CO-PILOT	Lt. Zabawa	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Schneider
NAVIGATOR		WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Millett
BOMBARDIER	Lt. Walsh	BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. LaFazia
RADIO	Sgt. Hunt	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Miller

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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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NAVIGATOR		WAIST LEFT	
BOMBARDIER		BALL TUR GNR	
RADIO		TAIL TUR GNR	

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NAVIGATOR		WAIST LEFT	
BOMBARDIER		BALL TUR GNR	
RADIO		TAIL TUR GNR	

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

12 July 1944.

COMBAT LOADING LIST

MISSION NO. 76

	<u>SHIP #120 (5-1-3)</u>		<u>SHIP #583 (5-1-4)</u>		<u>SHIP #330 (5-1-5)</u>	
P	SMITH, J.D.	CAPT.	COOK, R.L.	CAPT.	RAMEY, T.A.	LT.
CP	ARMSTRONG, A.T.	LT.	SEIGEL, S.W.	LT.	VANDERGRIFT, J.D.	LT.
N			SHUSTER, J.S.	LT.	RAWLS, J.W.	LT.
B	SCHEEREN, T.M.	LT.	RANDALL, F.B.	LT.	WOOLFE, R.L.	LT.
E	THUMA, J.A.	SGT.	BORDWELL, K.F.	SGT.	HILL, W.C.	SGT.
R	CALDWELL, G.D.	SGT.	BOSTER, R.P.	SGT.	GUNNERSON, T.A.	SGT.
AE	WARE, C.H.	SGT.	RUSSELL, W.M.	SGT.	TURNER, J.G.	SGT.
AR	HUSSEY, H.E.	SGT.	FUSELFHR, C.B.	SGT.	WILSON, C.W.	SGT.
AG	MANUEL, J.E.	SGT.	HERBERT, A.G.	SGT.	DOMANZKI, J.J.	SGT.
AG	McDONOUGH, F.W.	SGT.	RAUSCH, C.C.	SGT.	GRSYNISKI, F.J.	SGT.
		F	OGG, D.E.	SGT. VO	BAILEY, J.F.	LT.
	<u>SHIP #395 (5-1-9)</u>		<u>SHIP #879 (5-1-1)</u>		<u>SHIP #267 (5-1-4)</u>	
P	POTUCEK, E.D.	LT.	PRATHER, J.F.	LT.	YOUNG, L.L.	LT.
CP	BUCHHOLZ, C.F.	LT.	BECHTOLD, W.C.	CAPT.	HALL, W.H.	LT.
N	FREDRICKSON, C.B.	LT.	ATWELL, E.C.	LT.		
B	HAWKINS, J.W.	LT.	SLAUGHTER, W.H.	LT.	HINFS, R.J.	LT.
E	BROWN, T.M.	SGT.	INGALLS, R.D.	SGT.	CICHON, J.A.	SGT.
R	GREEN, W.P.	SGT.	MURRAY, V.F.	SGT.	SCHMID, A.	SGT.
AE	KALECK, G.E.	SGT.	SPEWOCK, A.	SGT.	CHOATE, J.V.	SGT.
AR	ANDREWS, J.C.	SGT.	PALMER, F.W.	SGT.	GALLOWAY, W.	SGT.
AG	RUDOLPH, J.B.	SGT.	BUSH, D.D.	SGT.	ENTROP, H.	SGT.
AG	GRAY, A.H.	SGT.	OWENS, B.G.	SGT.	CHAMPNEY, G.R.	SGT.
		N	JENKINS, W.F.	LT.		
	<u>SHIP #161 (5-1-6)</u>					
P	LOFFER, R.	LT.				
CP	WALTER, R.T.	LT.				
N						
B	DEFENBAUGH, G.E.	LT.				
E	BEMIS, S.A.	SGT.				
R	ELSEN, P.R.	SGT.				
AE	MURPHY, M.J.	SGT.				
AR	CONNELLY, J.W.	SGT.				
AG	HICKS, R.A.	SGT.				
AG	RILEY, R.G.	SGT.				

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

12 JULY 1944

SUBJECT: CREWS COMPLETING MISSION ON 12 JULY 1944

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

SHIP 993
P - LT RIDDEL
CP LT DUNEKACK
N
B LT WEIGER
CALVANESE
SEAMAN
LASSER
COLLINS
BINGHAM
GUIDROZ
LANNOYE

SHIP 989
LT COWDEN
LT BUSH
LT KIEFFER
LT DALE
FRANK
EDDINGFIELD
KARSTENS
MORRIS
VICHATZER
KOSINSKI

SHIP 360
LT STENGL
LT TUCK
LT BASLER
LT HEAD
MORRIS
SCHROYER
GRAY
CRAMER
HOUSLEY
MARSHALL

SHIP 200
LT KEIL
LT HALL
LT PICKERILL
LT LEACH
AGNEW
DOTE
MEDEL
ULSH
OLEYASH
NOVAK

SHIP 355
P PARISH
CP LT TAYLOR
N SEEFLUTH
B
BALKOVEC
MASON
VESTAL
LINN
HARNISH
BERTRAM

SHIP 250
LT MCWARD
LT LEONHARD
LT ROOT
LT MCCAULEY
BRODEUR
THOMAS
BLUMBERG
PRATT
LACEY
PELKEY

SHIP 938
LT MENDENHALL
LT FLEMING
LT TAYLOR
LT STEINER
BAKOS
BOUCHER
WASHBURN
O'NEILL
BODMAN
MATHESON

TIME _____

TARGET _____

RICHARD A. GOSLINE,
1ST LT, AIR CORPS,
OPERATIONS OFFICER.