

RED FORCE

9 April 1945

<u>CHARLIE FLIGHT</u>	<u>VHF</u>	<u>ABLE FLIGHT</u>	<u>VHF</u>	<u>BAKER FLIGHT</u>	<u>VHF</u>
11. Sprinkle 40-K	B	11. Riddle 502-Z	A	11. Foss 56-G	B
12. Costick * 41-L	B	12. Taylor 503-W	B	12. Gregg 63-N	B
13. Shockley * 32-C		13. Nowacki 62-M	C	13. Kennedy 65-P	C
21. Behrle 35-F	A	21. Ammons 30-A		21. Latimer * 61-L	
22. Stultz 44-O		22. Kieber 36-G		22. Savage 52-C	
23. Allen 39-J		23. Hangey 33-D		23. Halliday * 51-B	
31. Bolt * 31-B		31. Boone * 38-I		31. Branson 55-F	

* Camera Aboard
Spares: 501-Y, 64-O

BRIEF: 0930B START ENGINES: 1150B
 TAXI OUT : 1205B TEST FIRE GUNS: 1435B
 TAKE OFF : 1215B

TARGET: Targets located in area "Apple".

RENDEZVOUS: None. Group's Red Force will depart Bovino at 1356B,
 Altitude 13,000 ft.

ORDER OF FLIGHT: No 2 BG lead - No 1 BG - No. 3 BG.

ROUTE OUT: Base to KP to IP to Target.

KEY POINT: (43-40, 13-50), time, 1445B at 19,000 ft.

TURN POINT: S. Piero (43-52, 11-59).

INITIAL POINT: Cesenatico (44-12, 12-24).

AXIS OF ATTACK: 309 degrees TC.

TARGET TIME: 1512B. INTERVALOMETER SETTING: 150 ft.

BOMBING ALTITUDE: 20,000 ft. TARGET ELEVATION: 50 ft.

RALLY: Sharp left.

ROUTE BACK: Target to TP#1 to Base.

BOMB LOAD: Clustered frags. No chaff will be carried.

NOTE: Groups will be at bombing altitude 10 minutes before IP.
 PFF A/C will lead for navigation only. This is a planned
 visual mission.

NOTE: Bomb Bay doors will be opened over the water and will be
 Closed before passing over friendly troops on withdrawal.

NOTE: No bombing will be conducted after 1520B. Groups will bomb
 By column of attack units in frag formation.

NOTE: No target will be attacked unless positively identified.
 If primary target cannot be attacked, bombs will be returned to base.

RADIO RANGE: Lake Lesina, Callsign "LA", Frequency 263 Kcs.

COMMUNICATIONS: Tower: Channel "B"; Interplane: Channel "B"; VHF
 Channel "A" for Fighters; VHF Channel "C" for Intergroup.

BOMBER CALL SIGNS: No 3 BG "Radcliff 3"; No 1 BG "Radcliff 2";
 No 2 BG "Radcliff 1".

FIGHTER CALL SIGNS: "Betty". (Target cover for all Wings).

WX RECON: "Goway".

RECALL IDENTIFICATION CODEWORD: "Blackjack".

SQ CALL SIGNS: Sq 1 "Wellfed"; Sq 2 "Thankless";
 Sq 3 "Raceclub"; Sq 4 "Steadful".

VISUAL SIGNALS: See reverse side. ALDIS LAMP: Red "W".

EMERGENCY LANDING FIELDS: Iesi: 43-32, 13-16, Tower 6440, Callsign
 "Crispen". Falconara: 43-37, 13-22, Tower 6440, Callsign
 "Mailstack". Biferno: 41-58, 15-02, Tower 6440, Callsign
 "Watchbox". Vis (with extreme caution).

Fighter rendezvous: None.

ESTIMATED TIME OF RETURN: 1700B.