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HEADQUARTERS 461 BOMB. GROUP
 Office of the Combat Intelligence Officer

CONFIRMING MISSION REPORT

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1. UNIT	<u>461 BOMB GR (M)</u>	MISSION NUMBER	<u>58</u>	DATE	<u>22-2-44</u>	1944
2. STATISTICAL SUMMARY	TOTAL TO DATE					
A. Sorties	<u>33</u>					<u>1000</u>
B. Early returns	<u>0</u>					<u>0</u>
C. A/C bombing	<u>0</u>					<u>0</u>
D. Tonnage dropped	<u>0</u>					<u>0</u>
E. Our losses: Flak	<u>0</u>					<u>0</u>
E/A	<u>0</u>					<u>0</u>
Other	<u>0</u>					<u>0</u>
Missing	<u>0</u>					<u>0</u>
Damaged						
Flak	<u>0</u>	Severe	<u>0</u>	Slight	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
E/A	<u>0</u>	"	<u>0</u>	"	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Other	<u>0</u>	"	<u>0</u>	"	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
F. Vict						
F. Victories: Dest in air	<u>0</u>					<u>0</u>
Probable	<u>0</u>					<u>0</u>
Damaged	<u>0</u>					<u>0</u>
Dest on gnd	<u>0</u>					<u>0</u>
G. Casualties						
Missing	<u>0</u>					<u>0</u>
Killed	<u>0</u>					<u>0</u>
Wounded (Serious)	<u>0</u>					<u>0</u>

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3. At 0830 Hours 30 B-24's took off to bomb Roosterman, Germany
 Target Place
 4. Escorted by B-38's
 no. type
 5. (a) 5 ret'd early, because 5000 Turbot & Oxygen Inverter Relay
1 Engine
13 Engines
Radio Open
 (b) 0 ret'd prior to bombing, because Radio Open

Jettisoned in Adriatic
 (Give Disposition of Bombs, if any Not Ret'd to Base)

6. (a) 33 A/C dropped 16 x 500 lb. (2 tons) 09 .1 Nose .02/.025 Mixed Tail.
 No. Type Fusing
 fuse bombs on Roosterman target at 0830 hrs. from 0830 ft.
 Prin., Sec., I.R., or T of Opp.; Give Reasons Why.
 (b) 0 of 6 (a) above/ret'd to base x 0 lb. (0 tons)
 No. of A/C /jettisoned No. Place, Reasons
 (c) 0 dropped x lb. (0 tons) bombs on Roosterman
 Other Targets, Where, Why

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(d) 31 returned 0830 x 500 lb bombs to base Roosterman Arrived back from target by weather.
 No. A/C No. Give Reasons
 (e) 0 jettisoned 16 x 500 lb bombs at In Adriatic
 Place Geog. Names, Coord's, Reasons
 7. (a) 33 A/C returned at 1230 hours 0 A/C are at Roosterman
 No. Place, (Other Fields)
 (b) 0 A/C lost at 0830 Time, Place Roosterman Circumstances
 (c) 0 A/C missing and last seen at 0830 Time
 No. Time

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Place Circumstances

X CONFIDENTIAL

8. Personnel casualties were None
Position - Degree of Injury

9. RESULTS: Turned back by Weather.

10. ENEMY RESISTANCE:
A. Fighters (Details and Tactics)

Four (4) ME-109's seen in Lake Balaton area.

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B. Flak

11. OBSERVATIONS:

A. Communications

B. Enemy Air Installations and Activity in Addition to Encounters.

Smoke from Banja Luka A/D.

C. Flak Positions Other Than at Target

Imotski at 1055 at 12000 ft Moderate Accurate Med/Light
43 deg 27 min N - 12 deg 13 min E, 1103 at 12500 ft Slight inaccurate
Medium.

X D. Smoke Screens, Camouflage, Balloons, Etc

E. Naval

12. WEATHER: Enroute Undercast to 14000 ft
Clouds built up from 18000 ft - Warm front.

Over Target

On Return Reverse of Enroute to CAVU at Base

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13. PHOTOGRAPHS TAKEN
None.

X 14. COURSE (Including Axis of Attack)
On route 10 to 17 miles to right of briefed course.
returning 10 to 17 miles to left of course.

Time Received 1315

Time Forwarded 1410

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