

HEADQUARTERS 55TH BOMBARDMENT WING (Hv)
APO 520 US ARMY

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INTELLIGENCE ANNEX NO. 108)

TO OPERATIONS ORDER NO. 108)

Maps: GSGS No. 4072 EUROPE Air(BRASOV) 1:500000.
GSGS No. 4072 EUROPE Air (SHKODRA) 1:500000.

Target Charts: No. 11-10-NA (BUCHAREST-PRAHOVA).
No. 11-13-NA (CRAIOVA M/Y).
No. 8-102-NA (NIS M/Y).

Briefing Charts: No. 11-10-NA.
No. 11-13-NA.
No. 8-102-NA.

1. ENEMY SITUATION.

a. FLAK.

(1) PRAHOVA and TITAN oil refineries are located within the flak defenses of BUCHAREST at points which bring formations within effective range of approximately 1/4 of total number of heavy guns covering the city. Recent report states that these guns are 75MM, manned by RUMANIAN personnel, and without radar equipment. Axis of attack and expected wind direction and velocity will reduce vulnerability to flak. Enemy is capable of Intense volume, but it is probable that his accuracy will be low.

(2) CRAIOVA, when last attacked on 24 June 1944 gave no flak opposition, but S-MAH was encountered at TIRANA A/D and at MIPRVICA.

(3) NIS, when last attacked night 14/15 June, gave SIH flak opposition.

b. ENEMY AIRCRAFT.

(1) Enemy is capable of intercepting formation by about 20 MW-109s from SOFIA area; there may be second sorties on return by these a/c.

(2) 65-75 SEF and 15-20 TEF (ME-110, Ju-88) may intercept between 50 miles West of BUCHAREST and continue to and from target area.

(3) 6 e/a were based at NIS on 24 June 1944.

c. SIGNIFICANCE OF TARGET.

(1) The two oil refineries in BUCHAREST are active, with estimated production of 250000 tons per year.

(2) CRAIOVA and NIS U/Y continue to have target value as centers of transshipment of supplies to RUSSIAN front.

2. FRIENDLY SITUATION.

a. Coordination of this attack is as follows:

(1) 49th Wing, 3 Groups, attacks CHITILA M/Y at BUCHAREST.

(2) 304th Wing, 4 Groups, frags KARLOVO A/D.

(3) 5th and 47th Wings stand down.

b. 306th Fighter Wing furnishes penetration, target, and withdrawal cover.

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