

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

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INTELLIGENCE ANNEX NO. 237)

TO OPERATIONS ORDEN NO. 237)

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Maps: For VIENNA Florisdorf:

GS GS No. 4072 EUROPE Air (WIEN) 1:500,000

GS GS No. 3982 EUROPE Air (VIENNA) 1:250,000

Target and Briefing Chart No. 14-22-NA (VIENNA, North)

Briefing Chart No. BC 14-2 (FLORISDORF)

Approach Chart, Target Photochart No. AC, TP 14-2 (FLORISDORF)

Pathfinder Chart No. 1A, 1B (VIENNA, AUSTRIA) 1:250,000

Pathfinder Chart No. RPC 1, 1A, 1B, 1-C, 1-D, 1-E, 1-F, 1-G

Illustration No. 6(d)(iv) 11/1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6

For GRAZ, MARIBOR, see Intelligence Annex No. 236, 4 Nov 1944.

1. ENEMY SITUATION

a. FLAK

(1) VIENNA: FLORISDORF O/R lies in the Northern defenses of VIENNA, outside the heaviest concentration. Intense Accurate flak is to be expected for 2 minutes of the total of 6 minutes of exposure to flak. Refer to "E" Maps 15, 16, 17, and 18 dated 27 Oct 1944. Additional flak may be expected in the area between VIENNA and BUDAPEST.

(2) GRAZ, MARIBOR: See Intelligence Annex No. 236, 4 Nov 1944.

b. ENEMY AIRCRAFT: Enemy capability in VIENNA-LAKE BALATON area still 100-125 SEF. Enemy's conservative policy, committing his fighters only under conditions favorable to him is expected to continue.

c. SIGNIFICANCE OF TARGET: Concentration of all Bombardment Wings of the strategic Air Force upon VIENNA FLORISDORF is designed to destroy this resource of enemy supply of fuel and lubricant. The spillage to be expected in PFF bombing will destroy other targets of high military value. Reconnaissance on 21 October 1944 showed an increase of 20 tank cars, and other activity at this plant.

2. FRIENDLY SITUATION

a. Coordination of attack: All areas of the Strategic Air Force, comprising 21 Bombardment Groups, attack VIENNA FLORISDORF O/R.

b. XV Fighter Command (Provisional) will provide chaff dispensing a/c for the lead Group of the 5th Wing, and close escort and target cover for all wings.

c. Escapo Intelligence: Current Bulletins.

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