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LOADING LIST
BOX 10
FLIGHT I

2 MARCH 1945

1. 22523 N
Captain R.M. Evans
A Lt. T.M. McCartney
S/Sgt. C.L. Skeens
F/O J.H. Blount

2. 22505 Y
Major R.F. Price
A Lt. W. Forman
Lt. W.D. Castle
S/Sgt. C. Fetke

3. 22325 I
A Lt. W.L. Hale
S/Sgt. D.H. Benteler

1. 22503 X
C Lt. R.J. Rooney
Lt. R.L. Kirk
S/Sgt. S.R. Caudell

2. 22334 G
C Lt. J.C. Sewell
S/Sgt. J.A. Hamner

3. 22205 M
C Lt. E.G. Bishop
Sgt. L.W. Hudnutt

1. 22501 W
C Lt. R.B. Singletary
Lt. A.E. Rosenquist
S/Sgt. A.A. Cianciosi

2. 22224 E
C Lt. R.S. Bower
Sgt. C.B. Rhoney

3. 22416 O
C Lt. M. Errataberg
Sgt. E.A. Bowie

4. 22264 I
A Lt. P.E. Parker
Cpl. D. Youlles

5. 22495 G
A Lt. J.P. Phillips
Sgt. W.A. Miller

6. 22244 I
B Lt. R.A. Russell
Sgt. A.J. Musarra

FLIGHT II

4. 22315 I
C Major C.H. Ferris
Lt. Col. J.B. Macdfee
S/Sgt. S.J. Majewski

5. 22315 F
C Lt. A.R. Turman
S/Sgt. C.D. Harmon

6. 22307 N
C Lt. R. Ford
Cpl. C.J. Thompson

FLIGHT III

4. 22286 D
C Lt. P.R. Barausky
Pvt. B.R. Wilson

5. 22216 R
C Lt. J.F. Stankowski
Sgt. A.H. Kimball

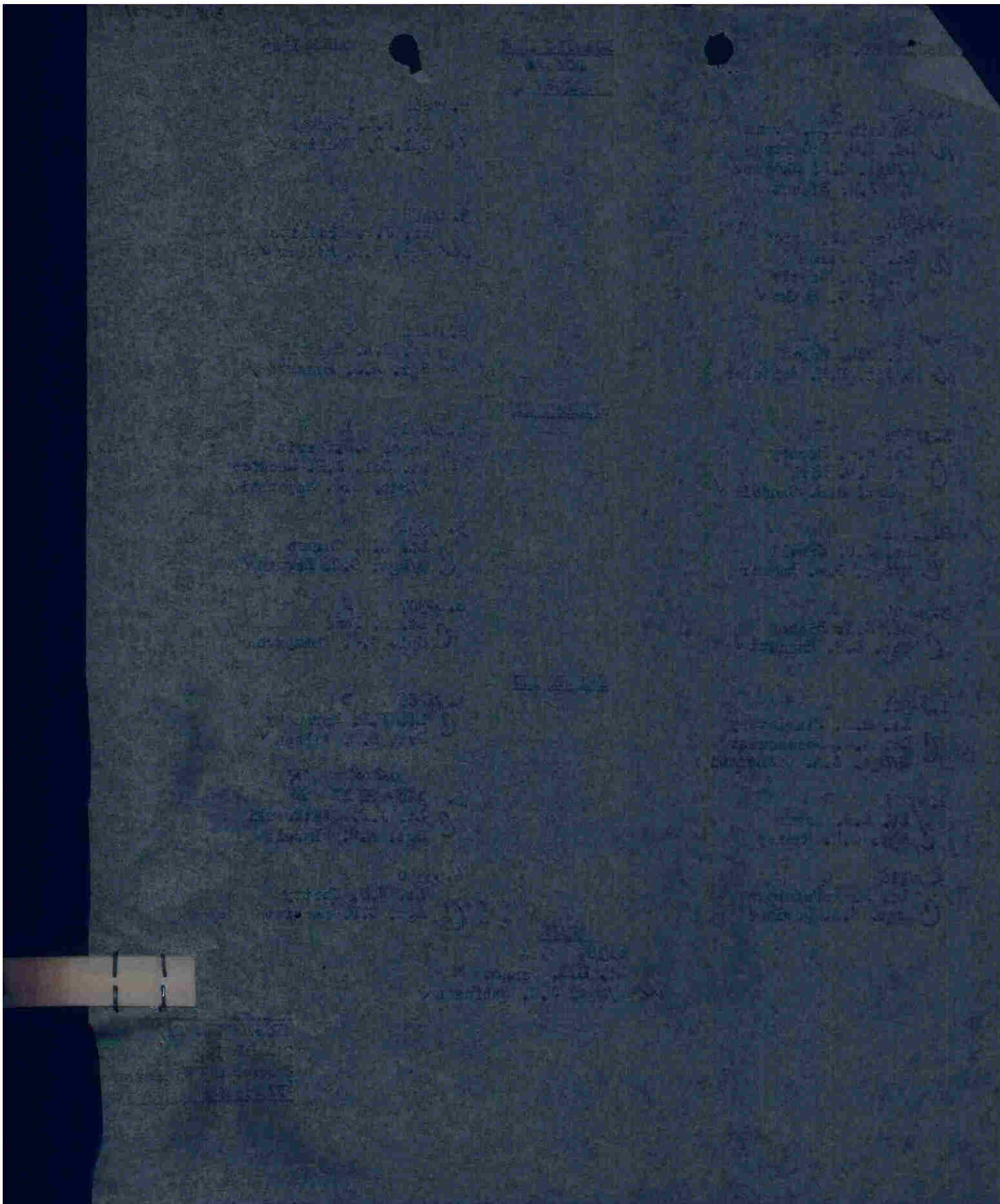
6. 22330 P
C Lt. W.D. Chitty
Sgt. C.B. Raccio

SPARE

22389 X
A Lt. L.E. Cannon
S/Sgt. J.W. Robinson

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BOX II

FLIGHT I

1. 481 P
 Captain C.J. Andersen ✓
 Lt. W. Babbage ✓
 Lt. R.E. Shaft ✓
 S/Sgt. E.L. Schaefer ✓

4. 274 S
 Lt. L.J. Prucha ✓
 T/Sgt. G.O. Wilson ✓

2. 497 E
 Captain H.F. Fair ✓
 Lt. J.L. Corum ✓
 S/Sgt. H.S. Fessler ✓

5. 335 W
 Lt. R.H. Long ✓
 Sgt. C.J. McCarthy ✓

3. 378 O
 Lt. W.W. Annin ✓
 Sgt. C.J. Kaminski ✓

6. 305 U
 Lt. W.H. Laseter ✓
 Sgt. C.M. Hicks ✓

FLIGHT II

1. 521 N
 Captain B.D. Stebbins ✓
 Lt. A.S. Calloway ✓
 S/Sgt. W.J. Brown ✓

4. 271 R
 Lt. J.F. Allen ✓
 S/Sgt. C.W. Veazey ✓

2. 523
 Lt. C.M. Andersen ✓
 Sgt. J.H. Deatherage ✓

5. 354 S
 Lt. R.H. Hackley ✓
 Sgt. C.T. Hawk ✓

3. 543
 Lt. E.C. Martin ✓
 Sgt. L.B. Draft ✓

6. 351 F
 F/O F.W. Swap ✓
 Sgt. M. Santandrea ✓

FLIGHT III

1. 499 G
 Lt. C.J. Brown ✓
 Lt. J.E. Keras ✓
 S/Sgt. H.E. Sunderland ✓

5. 249 F
 Captain A.C. Sears ✓
 M/Sgt. J.J. Wells ✓

2. 209 M
 Lt. J.W. Spires ✓
 Sgt. L.E. Davis ✓

5. 239 N
 Captain S.M. Hixon ✓
 Sgt. A.W. Schmidt ✓

3. 300 K
 Lt. H.M. Van Noorden ✓
 S/Sgt. G. Thompson ✓

6. 297 T
 Lt. J.R. Wright ✓
 Sgt. D.O. Simon ✓

SPARE

321 T
 Lt. J.H. Carver ✓
 Sgt. N.M. Graham ✓

1. 487 J
 Lt. R.H. Cornell ✓
 Lt. R.H. Enman ✓
 S/Sgt. A. Carter ✓
 Sgt. K.A. Reid ✓

2. 385 D
 Lt. A. Remiszewski ✓
 S/Sgt. J.H. Miguez ✓
 S/Sgt. S. DiOrto ✓

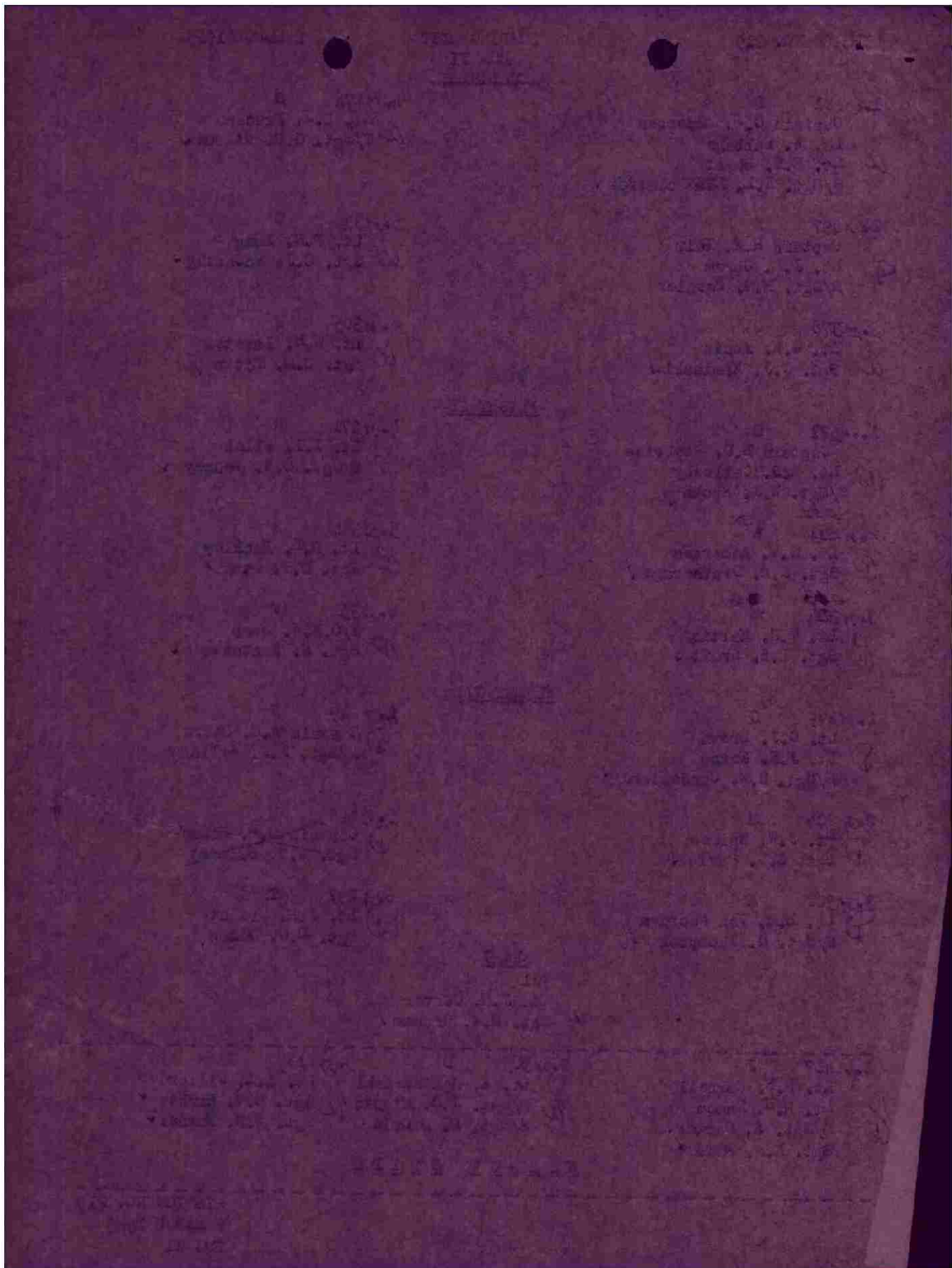
3. 213 A
 Lt. J.A. Willard ✓
 Sgt. C.V. Hinker ✓
 Sgt. W.R. Sumner ✓

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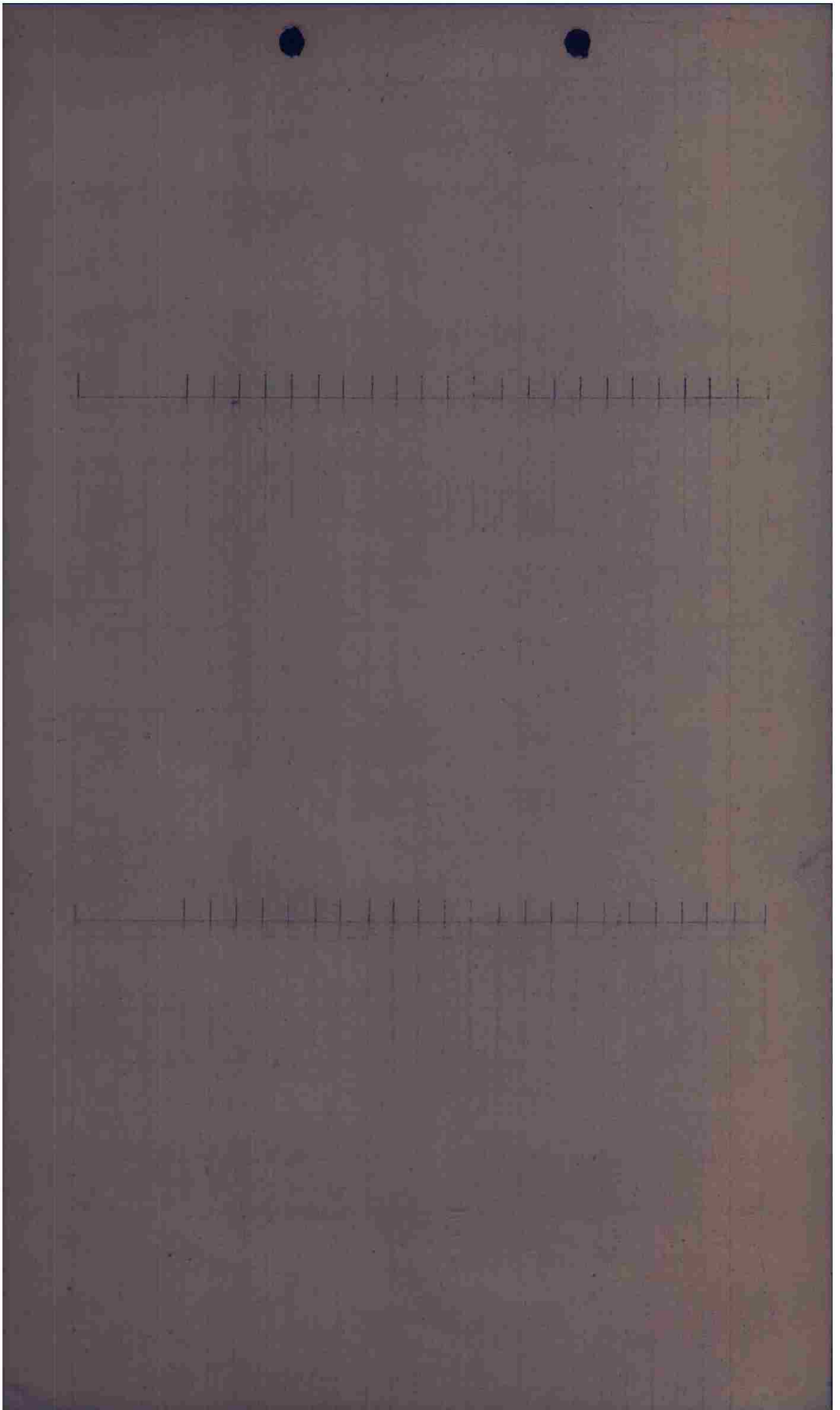
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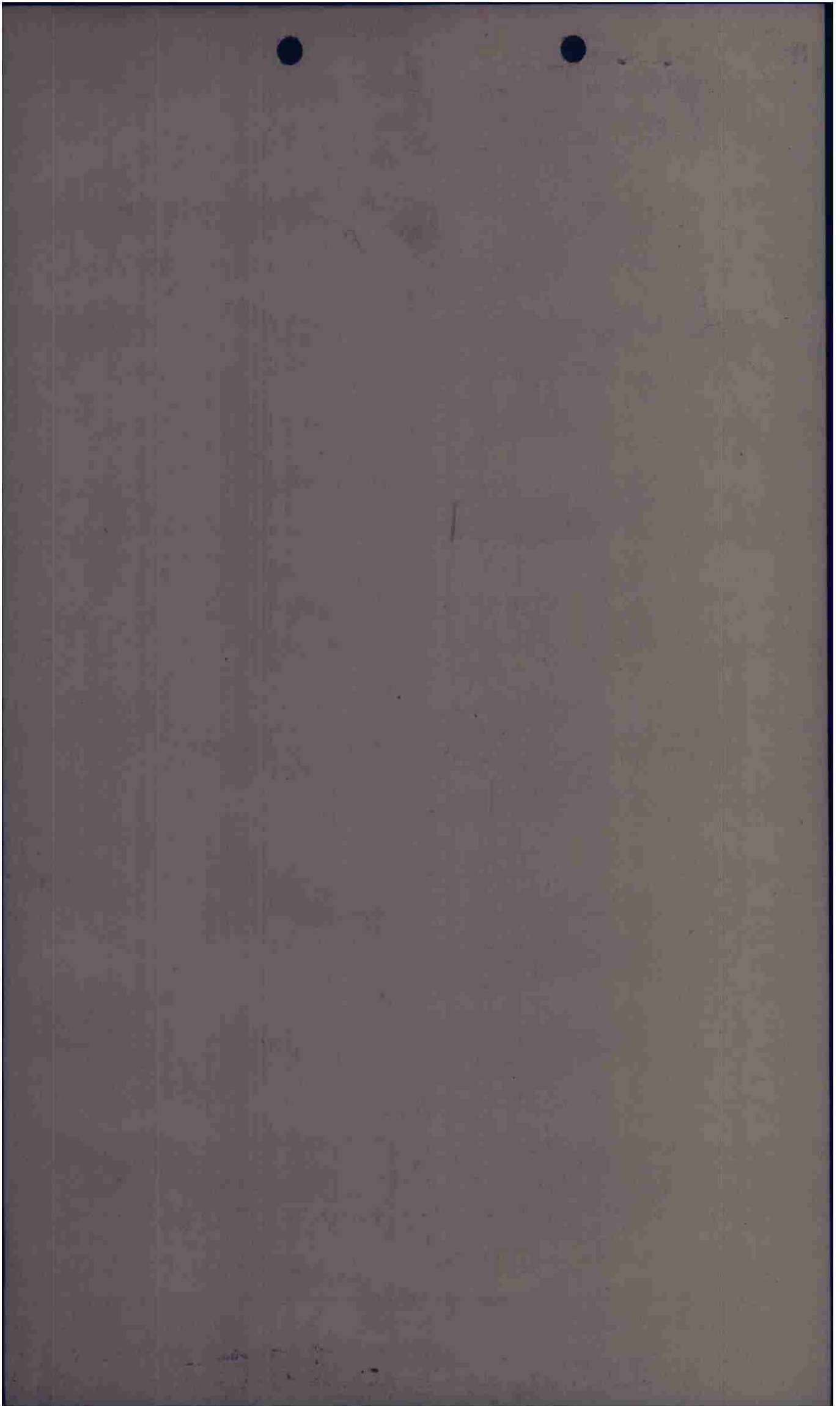
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ARRAINT INTERROGATION AND MALFUNCTIONS FORM

DATE 2 March 1945

6 X 500th M-17 mixed cluster

SHIP NO	SQUADRON	PILOT and/or BOMBARDIER	GUNNERS	NO. BOMBS DROPPED	NO. BOMBS RETURNED	REMARKS	THREAT AND FLYING GUN STATUS	ENGINE GUN STATUS
271	B	Allen		6		Pilot secured after center field & necessary drops	short in front down slightly outside turning circles. You don't drop aircraft. Aircraft don't survive. You don't drop aircraft. Pilot secured bombs after	most gun
351	B	Swape		5	1	Station 3A guided to release	A-52 must guided to relay include back to front. Long for release & last station -	



FROM: 416TH BOMB GROUP (L)

TO: 9TH BOMBARDMENT DIVISION (M) (INFO COPY)
97TH COMBAT WING (L) (INFO COPY)
COMMANDING OFFICER, 1ST PATHFINDER SQUADRON (PROV.)

416BG R _____

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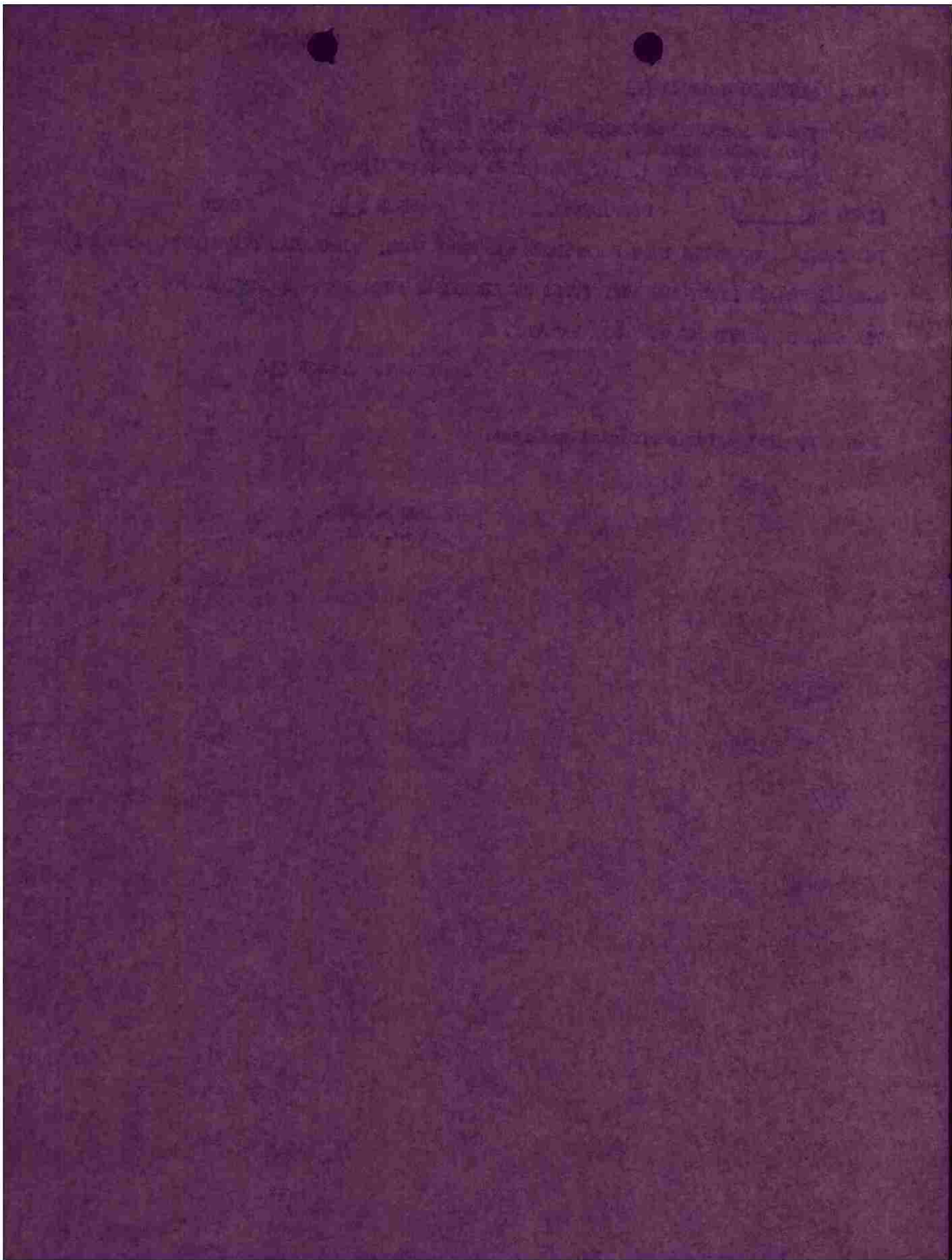
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THE NAVIGATION OF THE LEAD PATHFINDER WAS VERY POOR. ALSO LEAD PATHFINDER AIRCRAFT
MADE ALTERNATE RIGHT AND LEFT TURNS CONTINUOUSLY FROM THE BOMB LINE TO THE I.P.
THE SECOND PATHFINDER WAS SATISFACTORY.

AYLESWORTH CORONER 416

I certify that this is official business:

BIDON B. KIRK,
1st Lt., Air Corps.



SECRET

FROM: 416TH BOMB GROUP (L)

TO : 9TH BOMBARDMENT DIVISION (M)
97TH COMBAT BOMB WING (L)ATTN: RADAR OFFICER
(INFO COPY)

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SECRET

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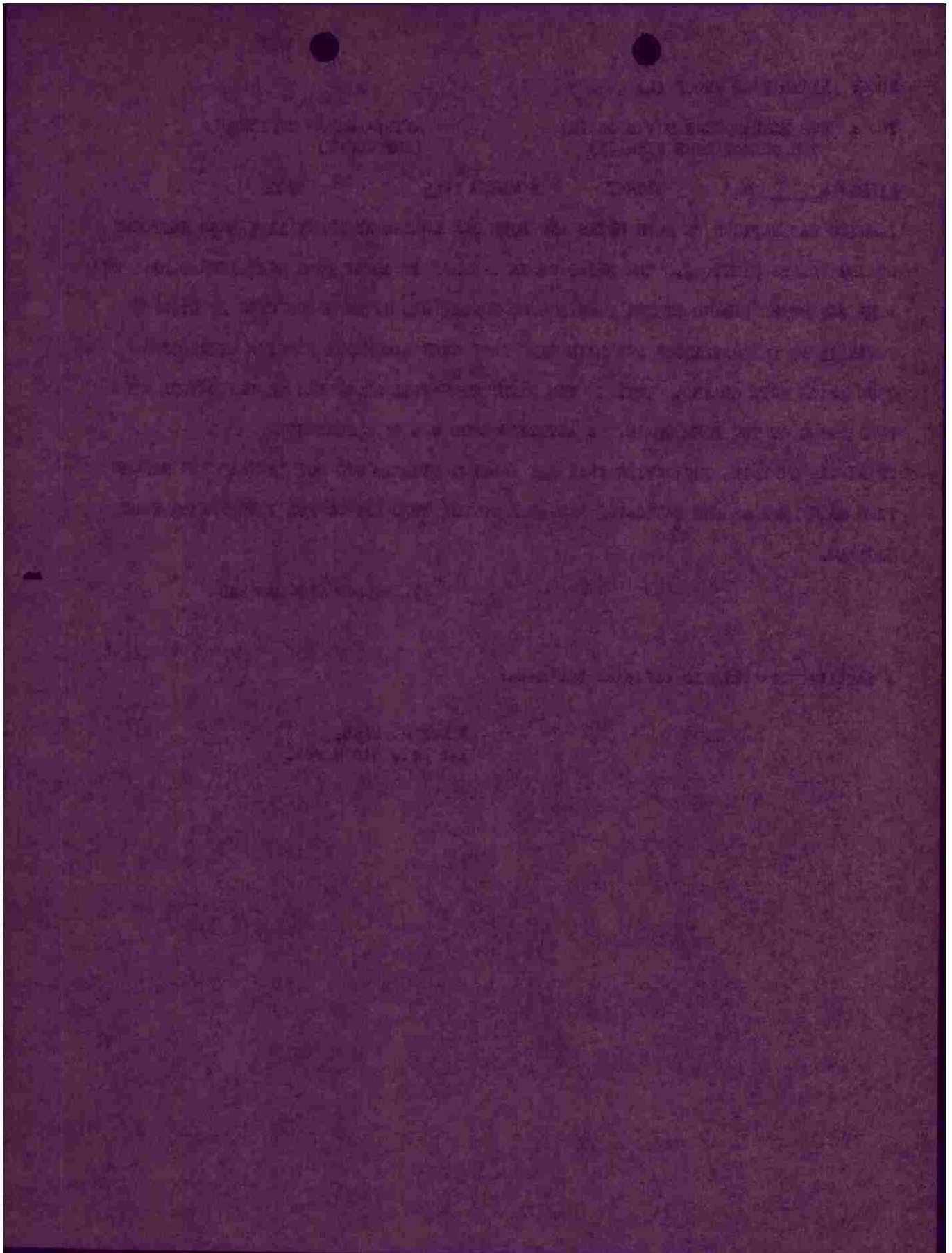
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JAMMING WAS NOTICED ON BOTH HEIMS AND RUHR GEE CHAINS AT ABOUT 1135 NEAR BASTOONS DURING TODAY'S MISSION. THE HEIMS CHAIN CLEARED AT ABOUT 1300 NEAR LUXEMBOURG. THE RUHR WAS STILL JAMMED AT THE TIME AND NO REPORT WAS GIVEN AS TO WHEN IT STOPPED. TODAY 11 TO 15 "RAILINGS" PER MAIN TIME BASE WERE SYNCHRONIZED WITH OTHER GEE SIGNALS ON BOTH CHAINS. THIS IS THE FIRST TIME THIS GROUP HAS OBSERVED THIS TYPE OF JAMMING ON THE RUHR CHAIN. A ANTI-JAM STUD WAS OF SLIGHT HELP. THERE WAS DEFINITE INDICATION THAT THE JAMMING SIGNALS DID NOT "BREAK" THE STROKE TIME BASE LINE AS ONE NAVIGATOR WAS ABLE TO USE THIS METHOD FOR IDENTIFYING TRUE SIGNALS.

AYLESWORTH COBOLDS 416

I certify that this is official business:

ELDON B. EREN,
1st Lt., Air Corps.



ITA JJF JES JKI JRO V JEA JEA 5/82 OP OP

T (ITA PASS TO JJF)

FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 82/8138A
 TO COMBONDIV NINE
 COBOMCP 489
 COBOMCP 418
 COBOMCP 416
 1ST PROV PATHFINDER SQDN.

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY BT
 SECRET SENT IN THE CLEAR AUTH : LT. COL. MC AFEE

R-17-E

97TH COMBAT BOMB WING
 APO 142
 2 MARCH 1945

FIELD ORDER NO. 186-771

MAPS : NORMAL

1. B. (1) REFER. CURRENT BOMBLINE
 (2) 29TH TAC WILL PROVIDE P-47 ESCORT FOR THE 489TH AND 416TH BOMB GROUPS ON PLAN "A" AND PLAN "B".

2. THIS WING WILL ATTACK TARGETS IN GERMANY.

PLAN "A" - ZERO HOUR : 82/1828A
 PLAN "B" - ZERO HOUR : 82/1842A

PLAN "A"

3. A. 489TH BOMB GROUP

- (3) WITH FIGHTERS AT P-5558 AT 12,000 FEET AT ZERO HOUR.
- (9) M.P.I. - 9TH A.F. 2ND PHASE REPORT 29 TAC/T-99. ANNOTATED AREA "F".
- (10) 6 X 500 G.P. - FUSED : 1/10 SEC. NOSE, 1/100 SEC. TAIL. INTERVALOMETER SETTING 50 FEET.

3. B. 416TH BOMB GROUP

- (1) SINNERSDORF ROAD JUNCTIONS (F-356699)
- (2) MAXIMUM EFFORT BOMBING BY FLIGHT OF 6 A/C.
- (4) BASE TO I.P. TO TARGET.
- (5) TARGET TURN LEFT TO R.P. TO BASE.
- (6) BOMB AT 11,500 FEET OR BELOW CLOUD BASE DOWN TO BUT NOT BELOW 8,000 FEET. DROP 1,500 FEET AFTER BOMBING.
- (7) F-5459
- (8) GEN. WSW TO ENE.
- (9) M.P.I. - MAP SERIES G.S.G.S. 4414 SHEET 49 6. 3 FLIGHTS ON GRID COORD. 35456990. 2 FLIGHTS ON EACH OF THE FOLLOWING GRID. COORD. 35456990, 35856975, AND 35757015.
- (10) 6 X 500 G.P. - FUSED : 1/10 SEC. NOSE 1/40 SEC. TAIL.
- (11) K-9872.
- (12) T.O.T. - ZERO HOUR.
- (13) IN THE EVENT THE PRIMARY TARGET CANNOT BE ATTACKED BY VISUAL MEANS, AN ALTERNATE TARGET IN ACCORDANCE WITH 9TH BOMB DIV. CIPHER. F-576-E (9-2-45) WILL BE B
- (14) COUNTER BATTERY FIRE WILL BE PROVIDED TO NEUTRALIZE ENEMY FLAK POSITIONS WITHIN RANGE.

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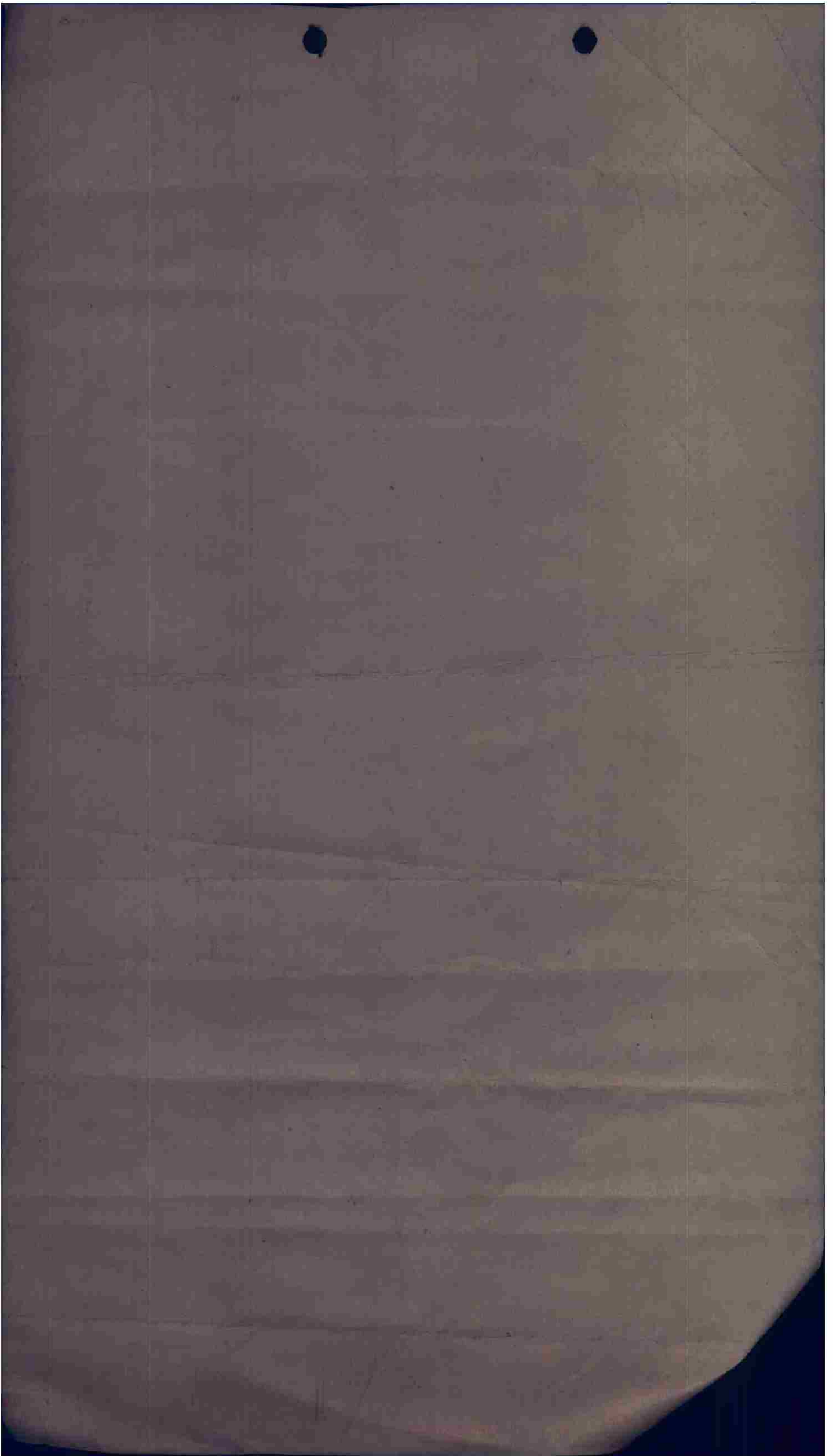
3. C. 416TH BOMB GROUP

- (3) WITH FIGHTERS AT P-5558 AT 12,000 FEET AT ZERO HOUR PLUS 15 MINUTES.
- (9) M.P.I. - 9TH A.F. 2ND PHASE REPORT 29 TAC /T-99. THREE FLIGHTS ON EACH OF THE FOLLOWING ANNOTATED AREAS : "B", "D", AND "F"
- (10) 6 X 500 LB. M-17 INCENDIARY CLUSTERS FUSED TO OPEN AT 9,500 FEET. INTERVALOMETER SETTING 100 FEET.

3. X. (1) - (4) NO CHANGE

FOR 489TH AND 416TH BOMB GROUPS ONLY.

- (5) TARGET - ISERLOHN WAREHOUSES (A-992084)
- (6) A/C REQ - MAXIMUM EFFORT BOMBING BY FLIGHTS OF 6 A/C.
- (7) ROUTE OUT - BASE TO F.R. TO M-3978 TO I.P. TO TARGET.
- (8) ROUTE BACK - TARGET TURN LEFT TO R.P. AND RETRACE ROUTE TO BASE
- (9) ALTITUDE - BOMB AT 11,500 FEET OR BELOW CLOUD BASE DOWN TO BUT NOT BELOW 8,000 FEET. DROP 1,500 FEET AFTER BOMBING.
- (10) I.P. : G-1685
- (11) AXIS OF ATTACK - GEN SE TO NW
- (12) R.P. : G-1685.
- (13) IN THE EVENT THE PRIMARY TARGET CANNOT BE ATTACKED BY VISUAL



PLAN, GROUPS WILL BOMB PRIMARY TARGET IN FOLLOWING PHASES:

(A) GEE

(B) TARGET E.T.A.

- (14) IN THE EVENT FIGHTERS DO NOT MAKE RENDEZVOUS OR PRIMARY TARGET CANNOT BE REACHED, GROUPS WILL BOMB AN ALTERNATE TARGET IN ACCORDANCE WITH 9TH BOMB. DIV. CIPHER F-576-E (9-2-45)
- (15) ENROUTE TO BASE FROM TARGET, GROUPS WILL STRAFE ANY SUITABLE MILITARY TARGET SIGHTED WITHIN THE AREA BOUNDED BY THE FOLLOWING GRID. COORD: G-2114 TO G-2411 TO G-3522 TO G-1221 AVOID AREA IN IMMEDIATE VICINITY OF GRID. COORD. G-2335. DROP TO 8,000 FEET AFTER BOMBING. IF NO SUITABLE MILITARY TARGET IS LOCATED, REGAIN 12,500 FEET ALTITUDE AFTER PASSING G-1226 IF A SUITABLE MILITARY TARGET IS FOUND, IT WILL BE STRAFED IN ELEMENTS OF 2 A/C. AFTER STRAFING, RENDEZVOUS AT 8,000 FEET OVER TARGET STRAFED. REGAIN 12,500 FEET AFTER RENDEZVOUS.

PLAN "B"

3. A. 409TH BOMB GROUP:

- (3) WITH FIGHTERS AT P-5558 AT 12,000 FEET AT ZERO HOUR PLUS 31 MIN. WITH P P F A/C OVER FIELD.
- (9) MPI: 9TH AF 2ND PHASE REPORT 29 TAC/T-99 ANNOTATED AREA "F" TO BE USED IF BOMBING IS VISUAL BY FLIGHTS OR BOXES. P P F MPI: TWO BOXES ON GRID. COORD.: 99132978
- (10) 6 X 500 GP FUSED: 1/10 SEC. NOSE, 1/20 SEC. TAIL. INTER-VALOMETER SETTING 50 FEET.
- (12) TOT: ZERO HOUR PLUS 80 MINUTES.

B. 416TH BOMB GROUP:

- (1) SINNERSDORF ROAD JUNCTIONS (F-356699)
- (2) 2 BOXES OF 12 A/C BOMBING ON 1 P P F A/C
- (3) WITH 1 P P F A/C OVER FIELD.
- (4) BASE TO K-5085 TO K-8085 TO TARGET.
- (5) TARGET TURN RIGHT TO F-8459 TO BASE.
- (6) BOMB AT 13,500 FEET OR BELOW CLOUD BASE DOWN TO BUT NOT BELOW 8,000 FEET.
- (9) MPI: MAP SERIES GSGS 4414, SHEET 4906. 3 FLIGHTS ON GRID. COORD.: 35656990. 2 FLIGHTS ON EACH OF THE FOLLOWING GRID. COORDS.: 35456990, 3585/975, AND 35757015. TO BE USED IF BOMBING IS VISUAL AND BY FLIGHTS. GRID. COORD.: 35656990 AND 35456990 TO BE USED IF BOMBING IS VISUAL AND BY BOXES. P P F MPI: GRID. COORD. 35656990.
- (10) 6 X 500 GP FUSED: 1/10 SEC. NOSE, 1/40 SEC. TAIL.
- (12) TOT: ZERO HOUR.
- (13) COUNTER BATTERY FIRE WILL BE PROVIDED TO NEUTRALIZE ENEMY FLAK POSITIONS WITHIN RANGE.
- (14) IN THE EVENT THE PRIMARY TARGET CANNOT BE ATTACKED BY VISUAL MEANS, AN ALTERNATE TARGET IN ACCORDANCE WITH 9TH BOM. DIV. CIPHER F-576-E (9-2-45) WILL BE ATTACKED.

C. 416TH BOMB GROUP:

- (3) WITH FIGHTERS AT P-5558 AT 12,000 FEET AT ZERO HOUR PLUS 51 MIN. WITH P P F A/C OVER FIELD.
- (9) MPI: 9TH AF 2ND PHASE REPORT 29 TAC/T-99. TWO FLIGHTS ON EACH OF THE FOLLOWING ANNOTATED AREAS: "B", "D", AND "F", TO BE USED IF BOMBING IS VISUAL AND BY FLIGHTS. ANNOTATED AREAS "B" AND "D" TO BE USED IF BOMBING IS VISUAL AND BY BOXES. P P F MPI: 1ST BOX: GRID. COORD.: A-99132978, 2ND BOX: GRID. COORD.: A-99230054.
- (10) 6 X 500 LB. M-17 INCENDIARY CLUSTERS FUSED TO OPEN AT 5,000 FEET.
- (12) TOT: ZERO HOUR PLUS 100 MINUTES.

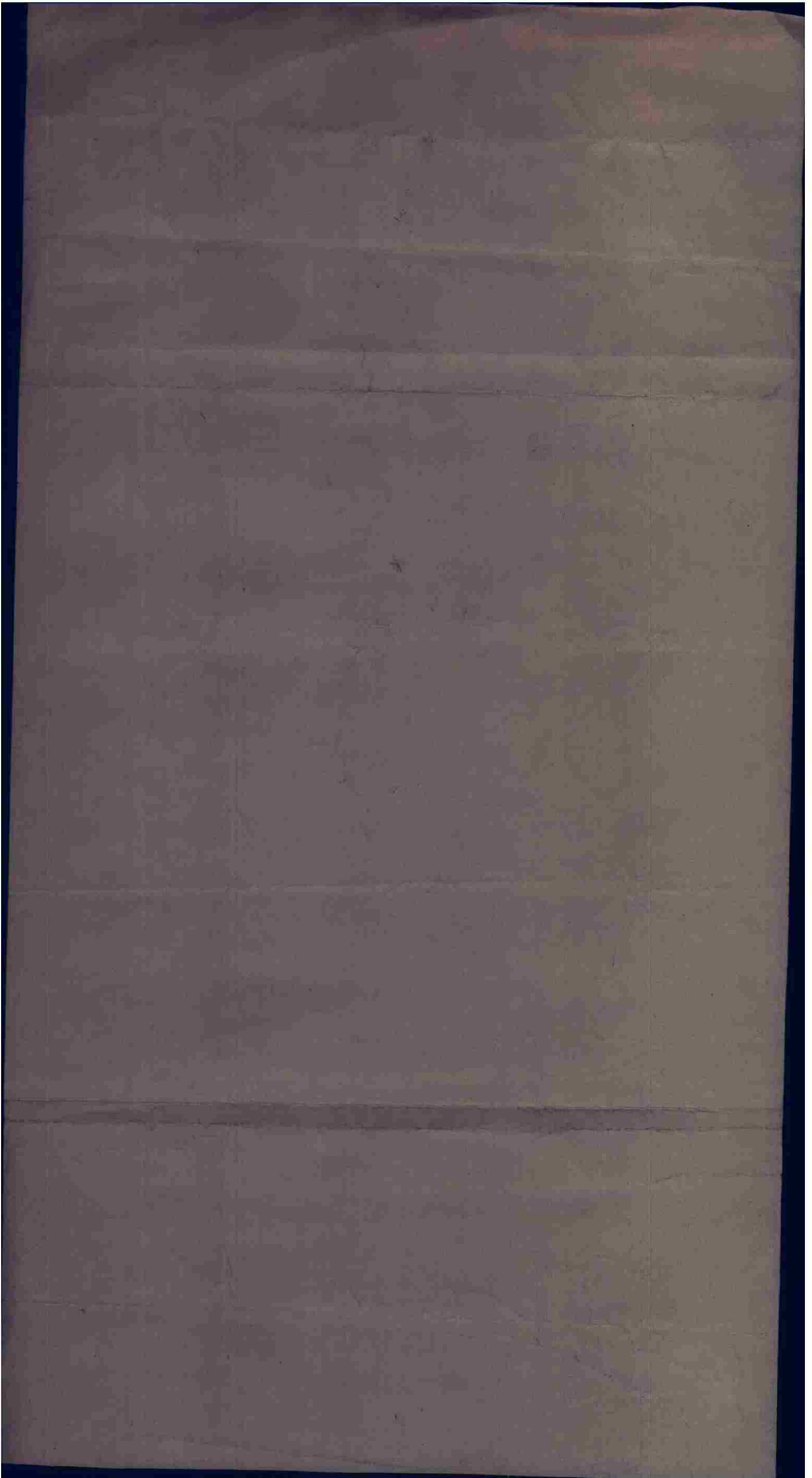
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- (5) TARGET: ISERLOHN WAREHOUSES (A-992887)
- (6) A/C REQ: 2 BOXES OF 12 A/C BOMBING ON 2 P P F A/C
- (7) ROUTE OUT: BASE TO F R TO M-2978 TO G-2273 TO TARGET.
- (8) ROUTE BACK: TARGET TURN LEFT TO G-1685 TO M-2978 AND RETRACE ROUTE TO BASE.
- (9) ALTITUDE: BOMB: 1ST BOX 13,000 FEET, 2ND BOX 13,000 FEET. MINIMUM ALTITUDE FOR VISUAL BOMBING IS 8,000 FEET. DROP 1,000 FEET AFTER LEAVING TARGET.
- (10) IF VISUAL CONDITIONS EXIST BOMBING WILL BE BY VISUAL MEANS. THE DECISION TO BOMB VISUALLY WILL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE A-26 BOX LEADERS AND THEY WILL DO SO WHETHER THEY CAN CONTACT THE P P F A/C OR NOT. IF BOMBING IS VISUAL GROUP WILL BOMB (A) FLIGHTS (B) BOXES AND WILL USE G-1685 AS A VISUAL I P. IF CLOUD COVER OBSCURES THE TARGET, GROUP WILL BOMB IN THE FOLLOWING PRIORITY:
- A. P P F
- B. GROUP "GEE"
- C. TARGET E.T.A.
- (11) IN THE EVENT

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- (11) IN THE EVENT FIGHTERS DO NOT MAKE RENDEZVOUS OR PRIMARY TARGET CANNOT BE REACHED, GROUP WILL BOMB AN ALTERNATE TARGET IN ACCORDANCE WITH 9TH BOM. DIV. CIPHER F-576-E (9-2-45)



4. NO CHANGE

5. COMMUNICATIONS:

PLAN "A" AND "B"

A. 409TH BOMB GROUP (992084)

(2) MANGO
(3) NICE DATE
(4) RIPSAN

B. 410TH BOMB GROUP (356699)

(2) CIRCLE
(4) ROSELEE

C. 416TH BOMB GROUP (992084)

(2) BESTMAN
(3) BULLSEYE
(4) RIPSAN

X. GENERAL INFORMATION

- (11) COMMUNICATION ON CHANNEL B/B WILL BE KEPT TO AN ABSOLUTE MINIMUM. PARADE CONTROLL REPORTS SERIOUS DIFFICULTY BECAUSE OF UNNECESSARY CHATTER ON B/B.
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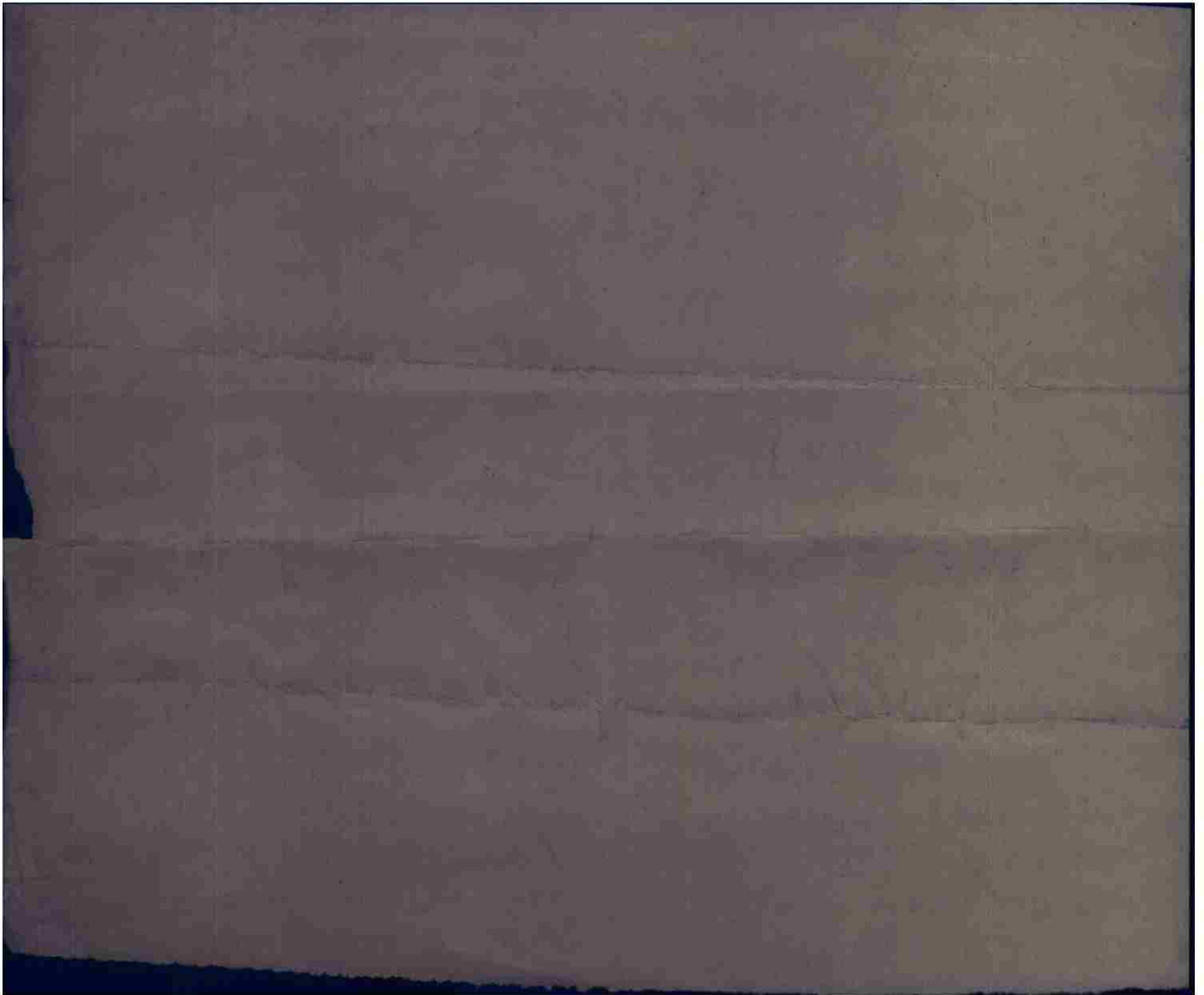
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JPO R UNDER PLAN "B" FOR 409 AND 416 ONLY IMI THIRD L LINE NIE

3. A. 3 IS THAT THE ONE YOU WISH PLS X

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ITA JES JKI JPO V JEA JEA 02/02 (INFO-INFO)

FROM: 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 02/0040A
 TO : COMBOMDIV NINE
 COBOMGPS 409, 410, 416
 1ST PROV. PATHFINDER SQDN.

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ATTN: SIGNALS OFFICER

ADV. INFO COPY OF PARA. 5. OF FIELD ORDER TO FOLLOW:

5. COMMUNICATIONS:

PLAN "A" AND "B"

A. 409TH BOMB GROUP (992084)
 (2) MANGO
 (3) NICE DATE
 (4) RIPS AW

B. 410TH BOMB GROUP (356699)
 (2) CIRCLE
 (4) ROSELEE

C. 416TH BOMB GROUP (992084)
 (2) BESTMAN
 (3) BULLSEYE
 (4) RIPS AW

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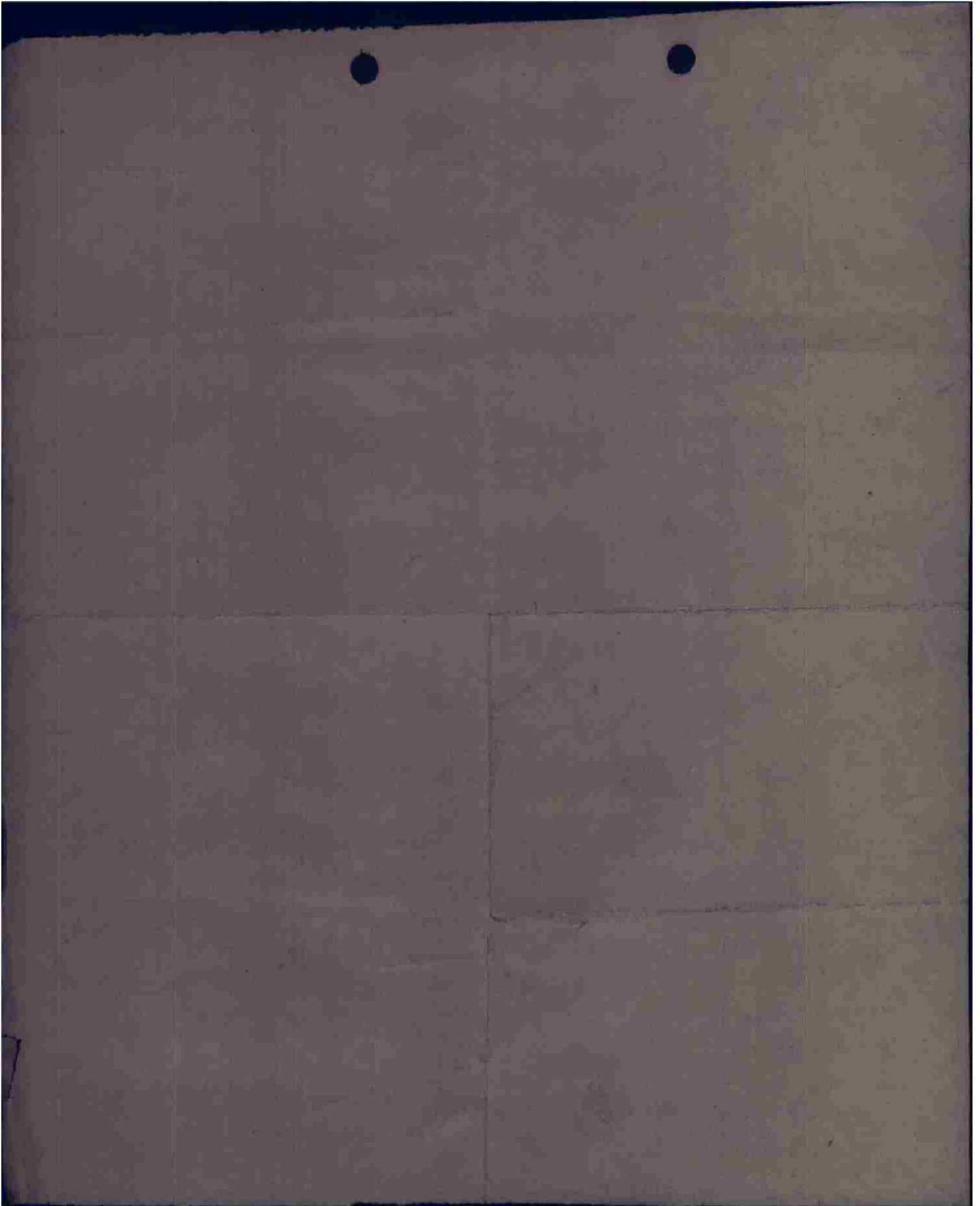
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ITA R	02/0103A	CLEV	AR
JES R	02/0103A	MC	AR
JKI R	02/0103A	WJF	AR
JPO R	02/0103A	JHS	AR



ITA JJF JES JKI JPO V JEA JEA 7/02 OP OP

T (ITA PASS TO JJF)

FROM 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 02/0450A
TO COMBOMDIV NINE
COBOMGP 409
COBOMGP 410
COBOMGP 416
1ST PROV PATHFINDER SQDN.

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY BT
SECRET SENT IN THE CLEAR AUTH : LT. COL. MC AFEE

R-18-E

97TH COMBAT BOMB WING
APO 140
2 MARCH 1945

ANNEX NO.1 TO FIELD ORDER NO.186-771.

PLAN "B" IS IN EFFECT. CANCEL PLAN "A".

IN PLAN "B", CHANGE PAR.3.B.(6) TO READ :
(6) BOMB AT 13,500 FEET. MINIMUM ALTITUDE FOR VISUAL BOMBING
IS 8,000 FEET.

IN PLAN "B", CHANGE PAR.3.B.(9) TO READ :
(9) M.P.I. - MAP SERIES G.S.G.S. 4414, SHEET 4906. 3 FLIGHTS
ON GRID. COORD : 35456990. ONE (1) FLIGHT ON EACH OF THE
FOLLOWING GRID. COORD : 35456990, 35856975, AND 35757015,
TO BE USED IF BOMBING IS VISUAL AND BY FLIGHTS. GRID. COORD.
35656990 AND 35456990 TO BE USED IF BOMBING IS VISUAL AND
BY BOXES. PPT M.P.I. - GRID. COORD. 35656990.

IN PLAN "B" ADD TO PAR. 3. C. (10) AS FOLLOWS:
(10) INTERVALOMETER SETTING 100 FEET.

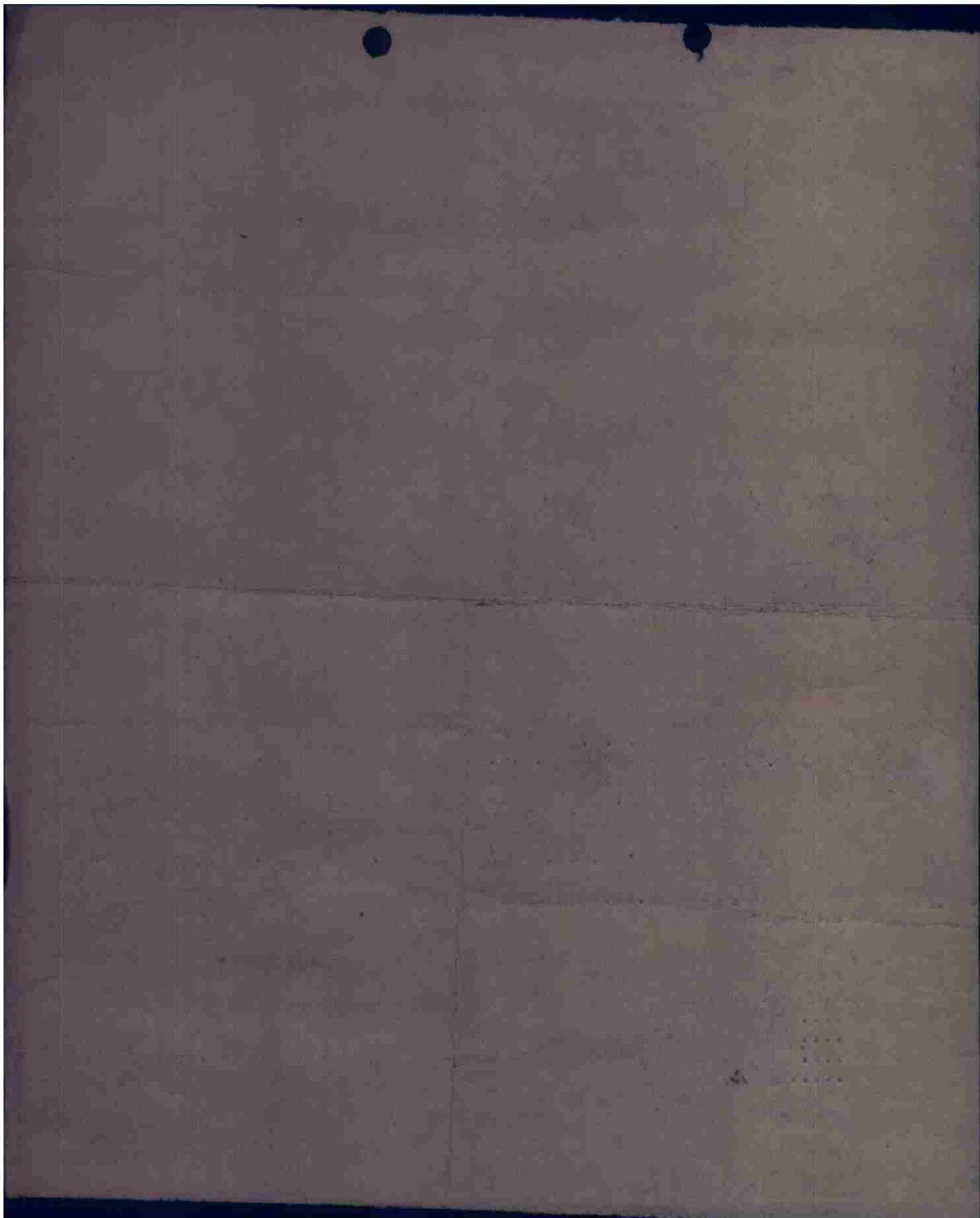
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ITA R....02/0553A	CLEV	AR	K
JKI R....02/0553A	WJF	AR	
JPO R....02/0553A	SL	AR	

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IN ANNEX NO. 1 TO F.O. 186-771

3RD PARA. SHOULD READ:

"IN PLAN "B", CHANGE PAR. 3. B. (9) TO READ:
OL MPI: MAP SERIES GSGS 4414 SHEET 4906 3 FLIGHTS ON GRID.
COORD.: 35656990 ONE (1) FLIGHT" (AND SO ON)

MSG. CEM. JEA.

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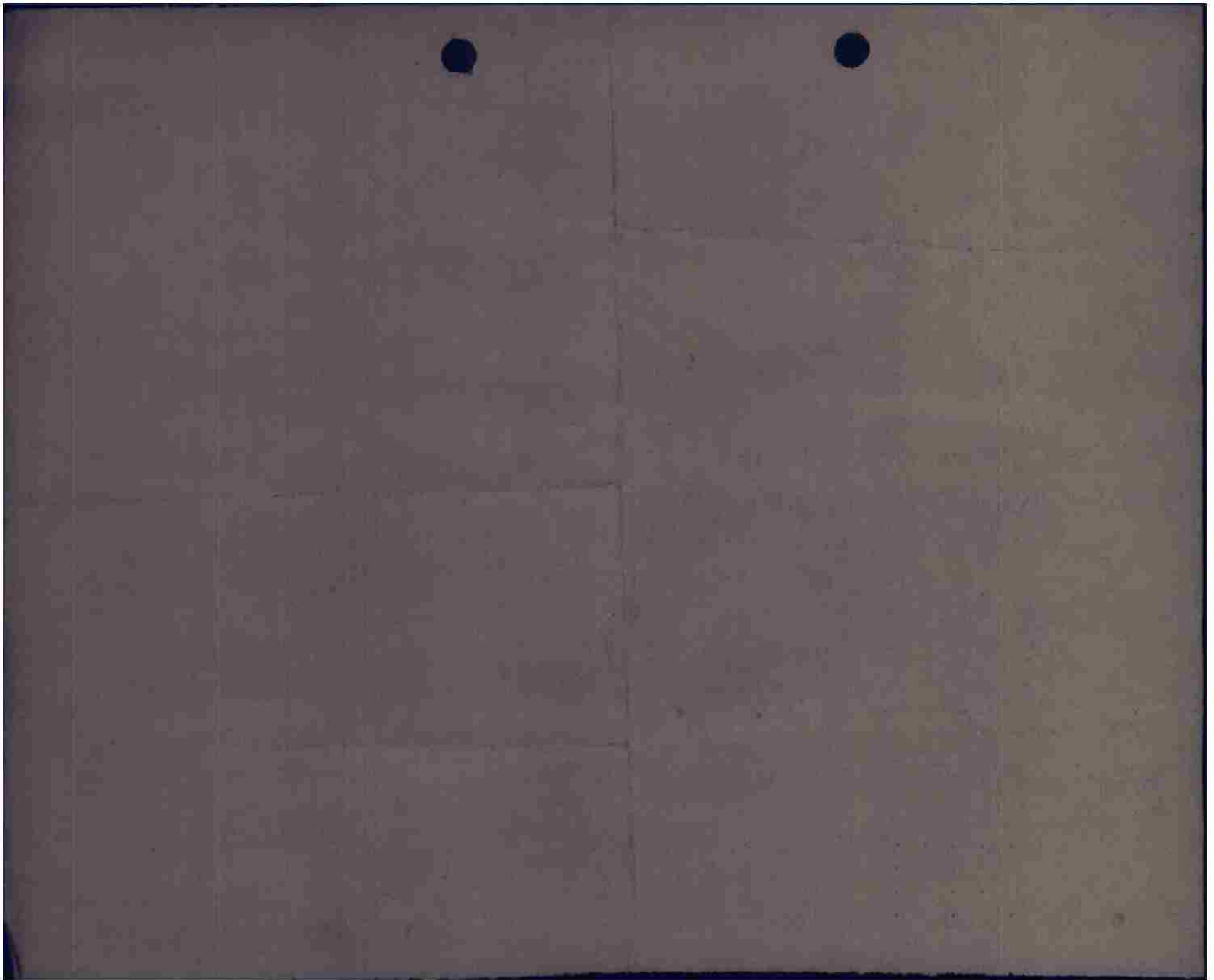
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T (ITA T JJF)

FROM: 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING 02/0115A
TO : COMBOMDIV NINE
409TH BOMB GROUP
410TH BOMB GROUP
1ST PROV. PATHFINDER SQDN.

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY BT
SECRET SENT IN THE CLEAR AUTH: LT. COL. MC AFEE

R-16-E

INTELLIGENCE SUPPLEMENT NO. 1 FIELD ORDER NO. 186-771

(1) TARGET: ISERLOHN WAREHOUSES AND M/T BUILDINGS A-992084
TACTICAL SIGNIFICANCE: IT IS A VERY ACTIVE M/T DEPOT.
SMALL PARTS AND MOTOR REPAIR SHOPS. TWO B-26 GROUPS WILL
ATTACK ANNOTATED AREAS "B" AND "D" REFERENCE XXIX TAC/T-99

(2) PHOTO COVERAGE:

NINTH A F 2ND PHASE REPORT XXIX TAC/T-99
" " " " " " IX TAC T/293
US 31/4132 PRINTS 1805, 1814, 1815, 2004
106W323 9 MAY 4 PRINT 3123
5187E/4612
US7/1652 PRINTS 8009, 8010.

MAP COVERAGE:

----- GSGS 4414 SHEET 4612
GSGS 4416 SHEET Q-2

(3) FLAK: FOR HEAVY FLAK SEE CURRENT POLTTED POSITIONS ACCURATE NAVIGA-
TION WILL BE NECESSARY TO AVOID THE HEAVY FLAK AREAS OF COBLENZ
AND LIMBURG.

THE FOLLOWING IS THE ONLY KNOW LIGHT FLAK DEFENSE WITHIN THE
STRAFING AREA:

G-2335 6 POSSIBLY 9 LIGHT

THE FOLLOWING ARE KNOWN DEFENSES OUTSIDE THE STRAFING AREA:

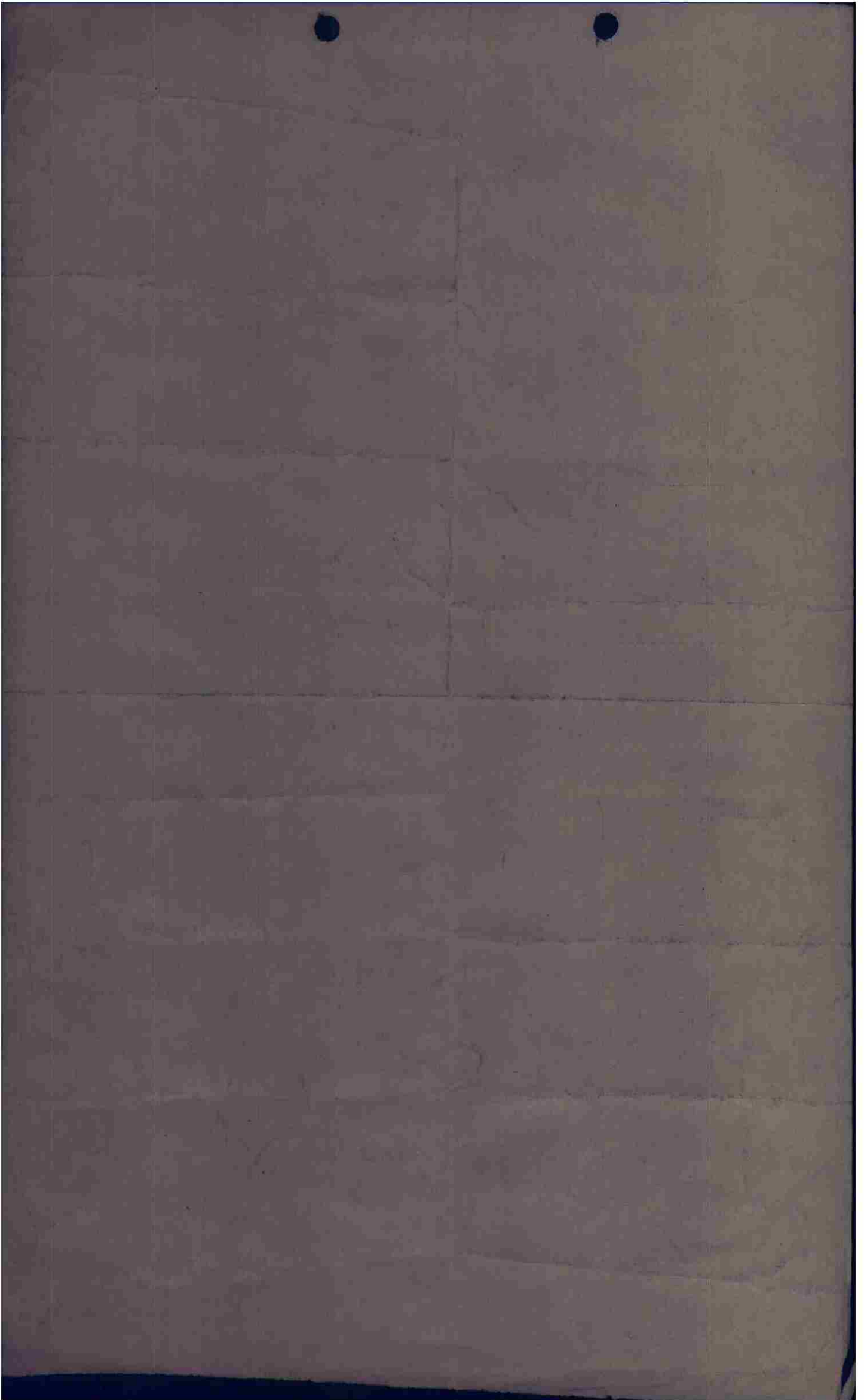
G-2693	3 LT
G-2187	3 LT
G-0677	9 LT AND BALLOON DEFENSE
F-9446	3 LT POSSIBLY HY DEFENSE
F-9231	2 LT
G-0309	3 LT
G-0907	3 LT
G-1131	6 LT

NOTE: FIGHTER BOMBERS REPORT THAT TRAINS THAT ARE NOT REPEAT NOT MOVING
ARE USUALLY STOPPED IN FLAK FIELDS AND MAYBE CONSIDERED AS A
TRAP. FOR SUGGESTIONS AS TO STRAFING TARGETS WHICH MAYBE FLAK
DEFENDED SEE FOOTNOTE TO FLAK BULLETIN 576. FLAK IS ON ALL
SIDES OF THE STRAFING AREA, INCLUDING THE POINT OF EXIT. LOW
LEVEL FLYING SHOULD BE CONFINED TO THE DESIGNATED AREA.

COMCBTWIG 97

BT 02/0115A
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JKI R	02/0410A	WJFS	AR



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FROM 416TH BOMB GROUP (L) 02/1715A
TO CG, 9TH BOMB DIVISION
CG, 97TH COMBAT WING
BT

CONFIDENTIAL 416TH BG R-50-D PD
OPSEFLASH: FOR 2 MARCH 1945.

- A. 416TH BOMB GROUP
- B. ISERLOHN WAREHOUSES (A-992084)
- C. 40 A-26 A/C (INCLUDING 3 WITH WINDOW ONLY)
- D. 35 A-26 A/C ATTACKED PRIMARY
- E. 3 A-26 A/C CARRIED WINDOW ONLY
2 A-26 A/C JETTISONED IN ENEMY TERRITORY (SEE PARA.F.)
- F. 200 X 500 M17 ON PRIMARY
13 X 500 M17 JETTISONED
1 X 500 M17 RETURNED (MECHANICAL)

ONE A/C WHOSE BOMBS DID NOT RELEASE ON NORMAL PROCEDURES BECAUSE OF RELEASE MECHANICAL MALFUNCTION, RECEIVED PERMISSION FROM LEADER OF BOX TO JETTISON BY SALVO AT G-200425. (6 X 500 M17)

ONE A/C JETTISONED AT APPROXIMATELY G-270290 BECAUSE OF SEVERE VIBRATION OF A/C ON WAY TO TARGET. (6 X 500 M17)

ONE A/C JETTISONED A SINGLE 500 M17 BY SALVO AFTER IT HUNG UP WHEN THE OTHER 5 RELEASED ON NORMAL PROCEDURE.

APPROXIMATE POINT OF RELEASE AT G-120750. (1X (1 X 500 M17)

G. UNOBSERVED (10/10 CLOUD)

H. NIL

I. NIL

J. NIL

K. NIL

L. 13,500 - 13,000

M. 1227 1/2 - 1229 1/2 HOURS.

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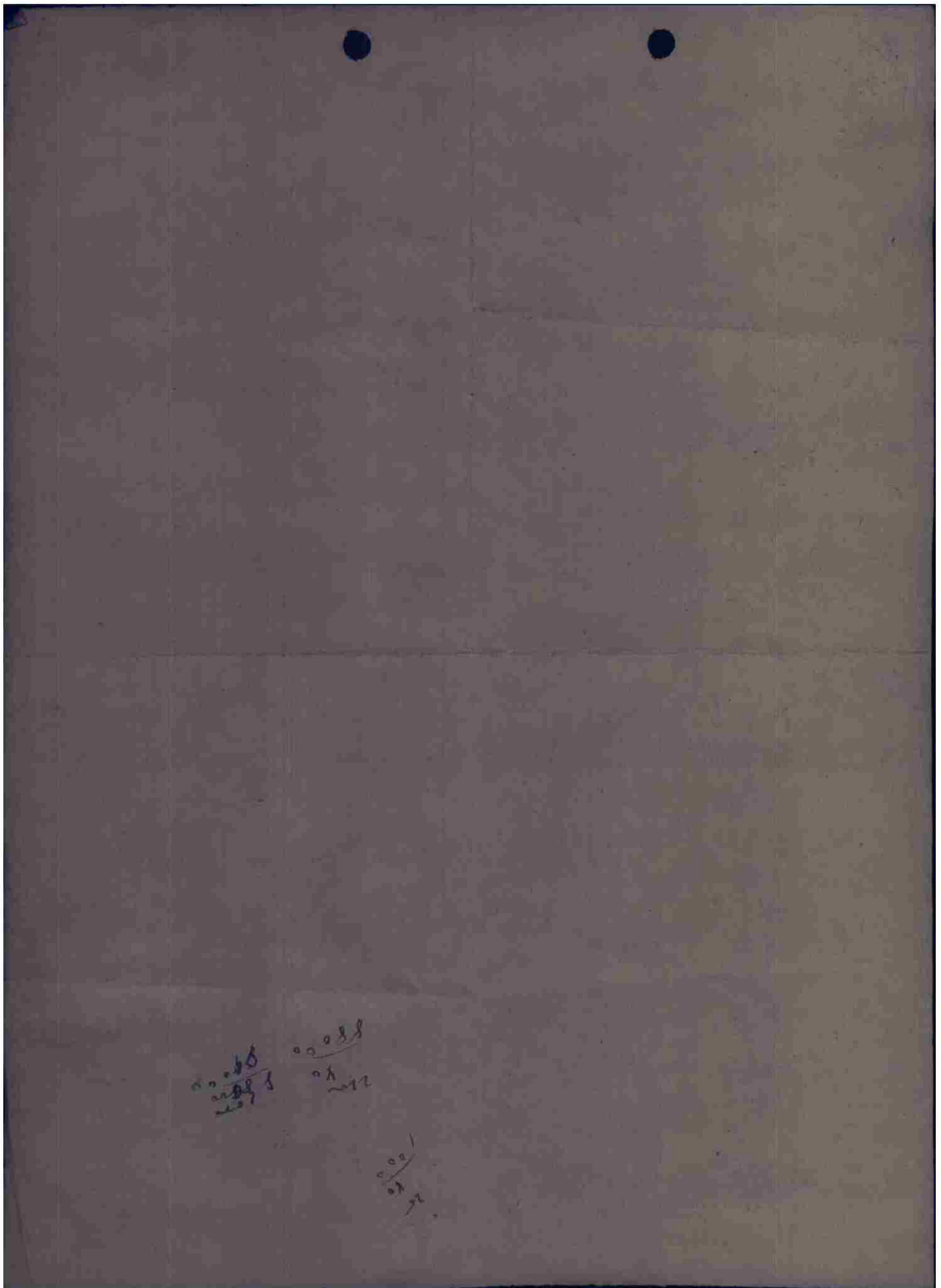
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EQ R.....02/1745A LCB AR

NO NO ITA COME IN ELSE KKK AND R FOR THIS MSG



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FROM COBOMGR 416 021700A
TO COMBOMDI NINE ATTN: SIGNAL OFFICER
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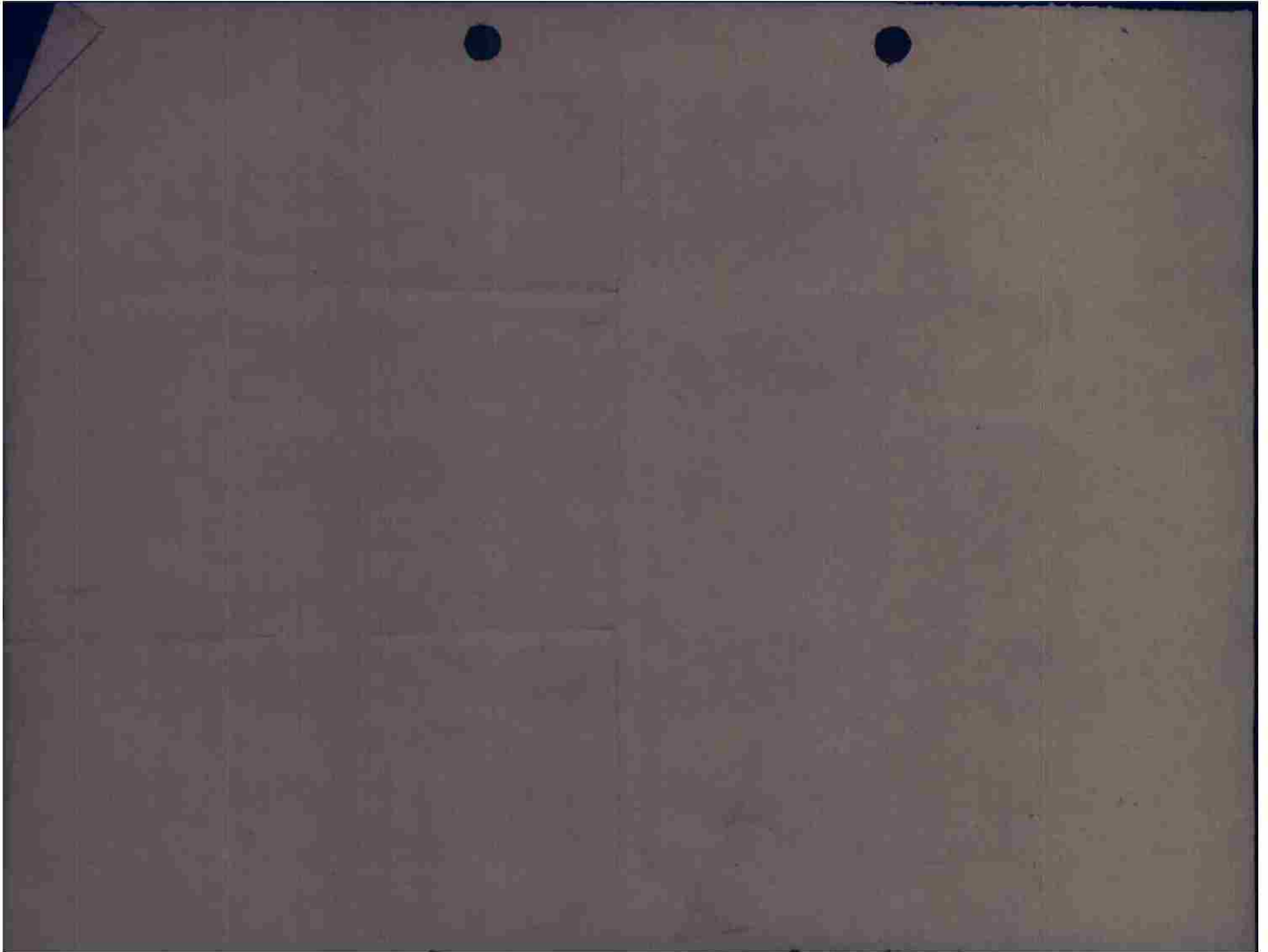
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A - VS - 47
B - 2 MARCH 1945 (1029-1328)
C - P - PETER ANDSN - NAN REPORTER "OPS" COMPLETE TO PARADE.
D - PPF MISSION
E - NONE
F - NONE
G - NONE
H - NONE
I - NONE
J - NONE
K - NONE

AYLESWORTH COBOMGR416
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CC: WA PETER AND N ETC
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FROM 1ST PATHDER SQ 03/001A
TO CG 1X BOMB DIV
CG 97 BOMB WING
CO 416 BOMB GROUP
CONFIDENTIAL BT

1ST PATHFINDER SQ R-33-E

DATE TIME MORNING

PFF PILOT FOSTER

A. FORMATION :
1. CLASSIFICATION : EXCELLENT
2. REMARKS :

B. WINDOW SHIPS :
1. CLASSIFICATION : GOOD
2. REMARKS :

C. NAVIGATION :
1. CLASSIFICATION : GOOD
2. REMARKS :

D. INTERPLANE COMMUNICATIONS / GOOD

E. BRIEFINGS : VERY GOOD

F. MISCELLANEOUS REMARKS : NONE

CO 1ST PATHFINDER SQ.

BT 03/001A

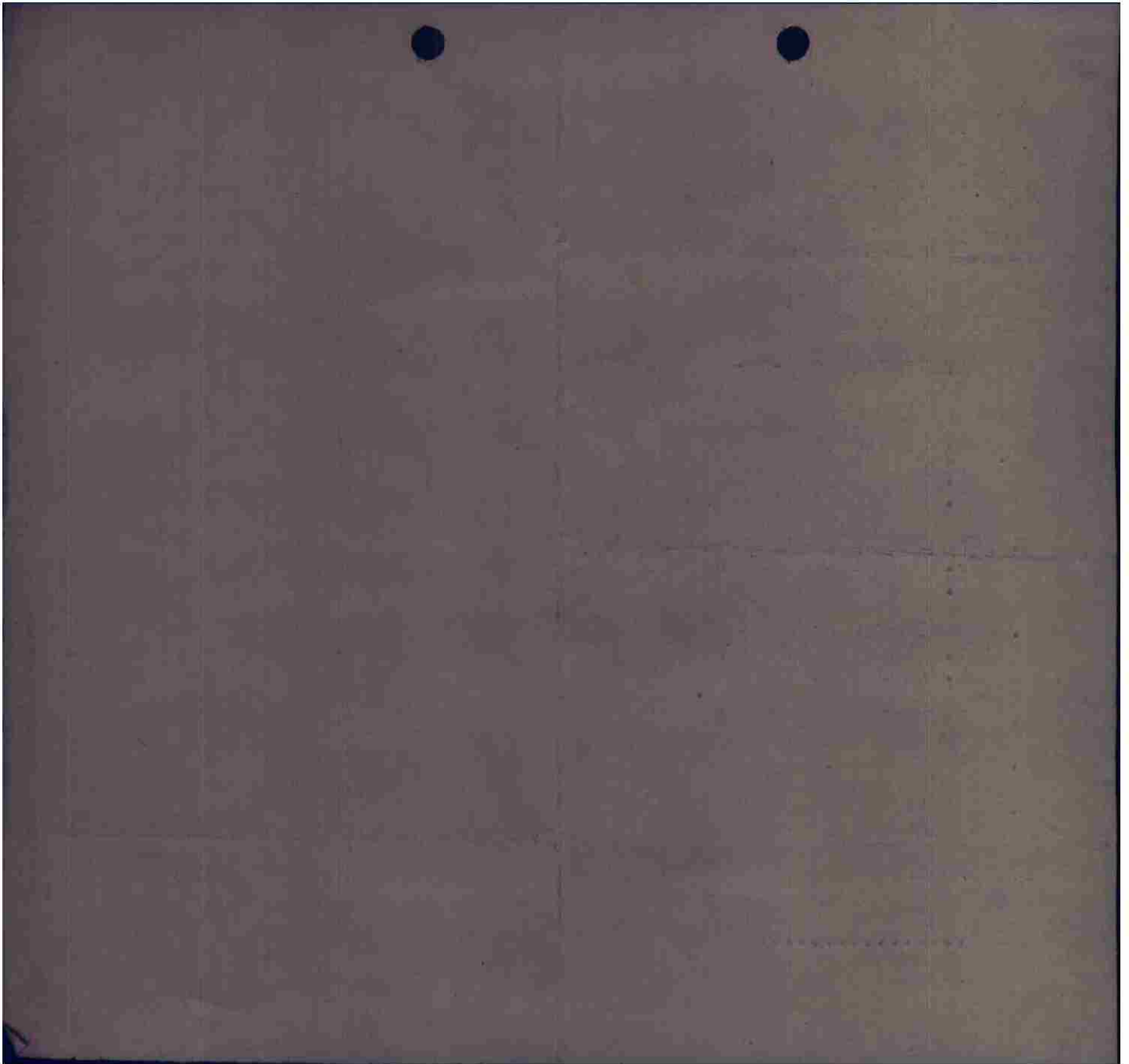
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FROM 416TH BOMB GROUP WXXXXXX (L) 022000A
 TO 9TH BOMBARDMENT DIVISION (M) ATN: RADAR OFFICER
 97TH COMBAT BOMB WING (L) (INFO COPY)
 SECRET BT
 R-55-E

JAMMING WAS NOTICED ON BOTH REIMS AND RUHR CEE CHAINS AT ABOUT 1135
 NEAR BASTOGNE DURING TODAY'S MISSION. THE REIMS CHAIN CLEARED AT
 ABOUT 1300 NEAR LUXEMBOURG. THE RUHR WAS STILL JAMMED AT THE TIME
 AND NO REPORT WAS GIVEN AS TO WHEN IT STOPPED TODAY 11 TO 15
 "RAILINGS" PER MAIN TIME BASE WERE SYNCHRONIZED WITH OTHER CEE SIGNALS
 ON BOTH CHAINS. THIS IS THE FIRST TIME THIS GROUP HAS OBSERVED
 THIS TYPE OF JAMMING ON THE RUHR CHAIN. X ANTI-JAM STUD
 WAS OF SLIGHT HELP THERE WAS DEFINITE INDICATION THAT THE JAMMING
 SIGNALS DID NOT "BREAK" THE STROBE TIME BASE LINE AS ONE NAVIGATOR
 WAS ABLE TO USE THIS METHOD FOR IDENTIFYING TRUE SIGNALS.

---AYLESWORTH COBOMER 416---

BT EZEENX 022000A

DM BEE

CC: IN 4TH LINE OF TEXT NEXT TO LAST WD SHOULD BE "TO" REPT TO.
 AND IN NEXT TO LAST LINE OF SIG THE 4TH WD SHOULD BE
 "BREAK" REPT "BREAK"

JEV R.....02/2313A

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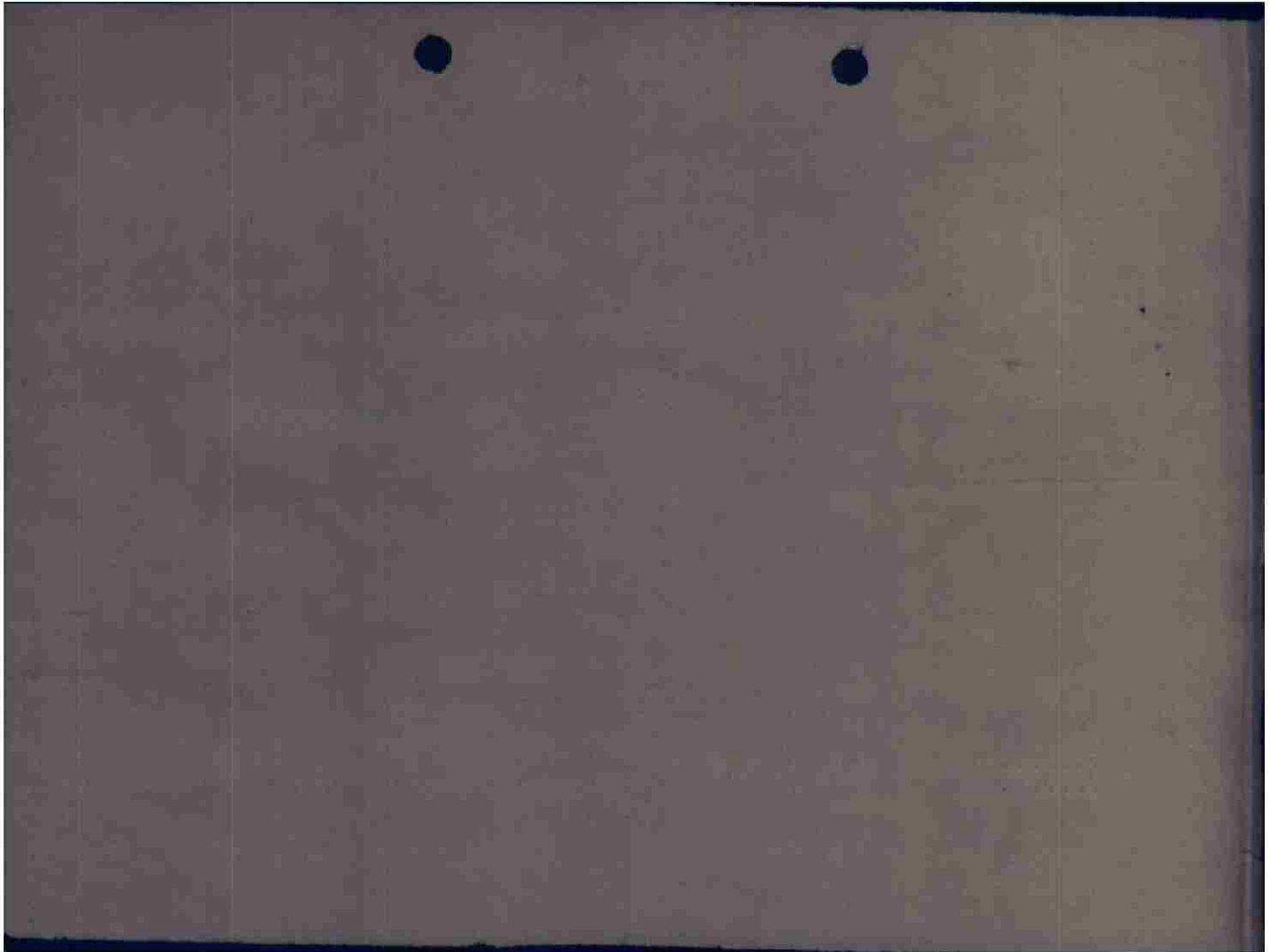
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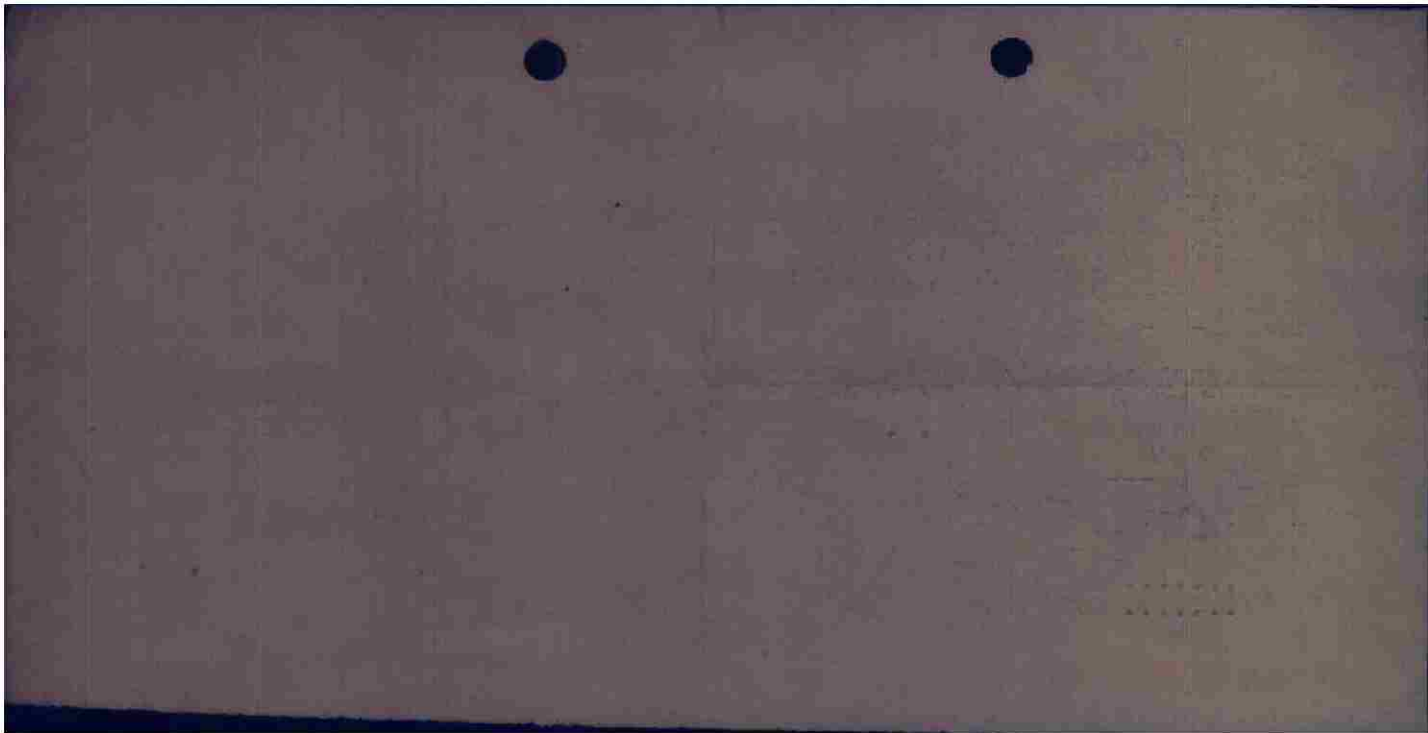
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T-(ITA PASS TO 1ST PPF)
FROM 416TH BOMB GROUP (L) 020000A
TO 9TH BOMBARDMENT DIVISION (M) (INFO COPY)
97TH COMBAT WING (L) (3, INFO COPY)
COMMANDING OFFICER, 1 ST PATHFINDER SQUADRON (PROV.)
CONFIDENTIAL TXXX BT
416BG R-56-E 2 MARCH 1945

THE NAVIGATION OF THE LEAD PATHFINDER WAS VERY POOR. ALSO LEAD
PATHFINDER AIRCRAFT MADE ALTERNATE RIGHT AND LEFT TURNS CONTINUOUSLY FROM
THE BOMB LINE TO THE I.P. THE SECOND PATHFINDER WAS STXXXX SATISFACTORY.

---AYLESWORTH COBOMGR 416---

BT 022000A
DM BBB STO ITA XXX ITA ONLY)
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TO HQS, 9TH BOMB DIV (M), APO 140, U.S. ARMY
HQ, 97TH COMBAT WING APO 140, U.S. ARMY

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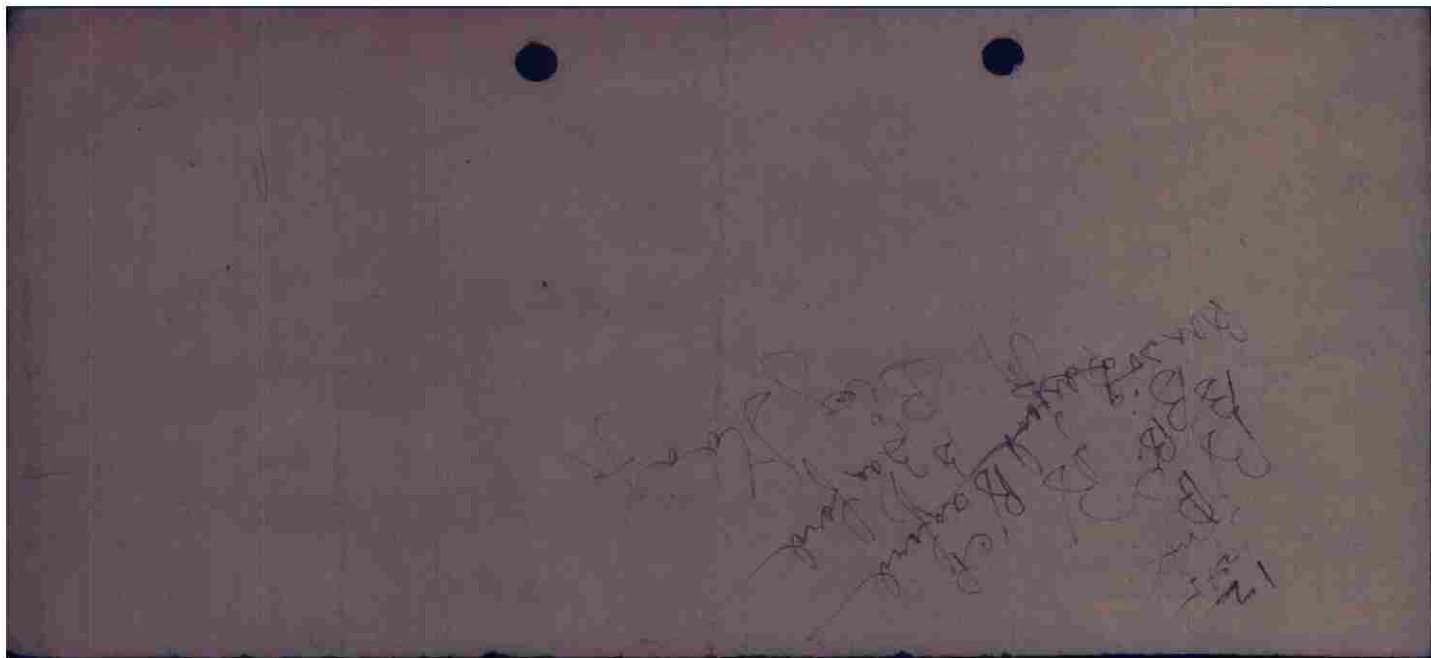
SECRET 416BG R-46-D

B. ISERLOHN WAREHOUSES.
J. NO PHOTOS DUE TO CLOUD COVER.

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