MISSION NUMBER 73

DATE JULY 31, 1944

A FLIGHT 766TH
1. Wood (Word) 45
C FLIGHT 764TH
1. Weir 3
2. Herrin 1
3. Carter 4
4. Nankunst 5
5. Underwood 6
6. Spencer 9
2. Roberts (Franklin) 52
B FLIGHT 767TH
1. Luebke 67
3. Starrett 43
4. Wren 54
5. Clark 57
6. Townsley 49
7. Stockton 71
8. Roswerum 74
9. Newton 64
D FLIGHT 765TH
1. Taylor 24
2. Kostka 23
3. Schweisberger 21
4. Mohan 34
5. King 32
6. Summers 33
7. Scahar 56

SQUADRON CALL SIGNS:
764th - "TWISTED" 765th - "SIDE DOOR" 766th - "WHITE CAT" 767th - "STUMBLE"

BRIEFING TIME: 0545
START ENGINES:
FIRST ATTACK UNIT A FLIGHT 0735 B FLIGHT 0736 C FLIGHT 0737 D FLIGHT 0738
FIRST SHIPPING 0740 FIRST SHIP OFF 0750
ASSEMBLED OVER MELFI ALTITUDE 9,000 TIME 0843
RENDEZVOUS WITH 484TH OVER CANDELA ALTITUDE 8,000 FT. TIME
RENDEZVOUS WITH 451ST OVER CANDELA ALTITUDE 10,000 FT. TIME
FIGHTER RENDEZVOUS TIME 1050 OVER BAILESTI TYPE P-51S
FIGHTER RENDEZVOUS TIME 1100 AT TF#3 (ROSIORII DE VEDE). TYPE P-51S
LAVELLO TO CANDELA H 295° DIST 14 TIME 0855 ALT 9,000 FT.
CANDela TO (KP) RAGUSA H 60° DIST 152 TIME 0943 ALT 17,000 FT.
RAGUSA TO K(TF#1) KRUSEVAC H 66° DIST 143 TIME 1023 ALT 20,000 FT.
KRUSEVAC TO VIDIN H 70° DIST 71 TIME 1043 ALT 23,000 FT.
VIDIN TO ROSIORII DE VEDE H 86° DIST 91 TIME 1106 ALT 23,000 FT.
ROSIORII DE VEDE TO (IP) CARTOJANI H 47° DIST 29 TIME 1114 ALT 23,000 FT.
CARTOJANI TO (TARGET) PRAHOVA OIL REFINERY H 84° DIST 24 TIME 1125 ALT 19000
PRAHOVA OIL REFINERY (RALLY LEFT) TO KRUSEVAC H 253° DIST 207 TIME 1244
KRUSEVAC TO RAGUSA H 246° DIST 143 TIME 1336 ALT 12,000 FT. ALT 17,000 FT.
RAGUSA TO BASE H 239° DIST 140 TIME 1432 ALT 4,000 FT.
LANDING: FIRST ATTACK UNIT 2700 FT., SECOND ATTACK UNIT 4000 FT.

RADIO: BOMBER COMMAND 4085 KC
"A" CHANNEL VHF BIG FENCE - FIGHTER BOMBER
"B" CHANNEL VHF 49TH WING
"C" CHANNEL VHF 15TH AF FIELDS
"D" CHANNEL VHF DITCHING

CALL SIGNS: 461ST "ROASTLAMB 22", 484TH "ROASTLAMB 21" 451ST "ROASTLAMB 23"
FIGHTER CALL SIGNS: ESCORT "SAXHORN 1", PENETRATION "SAXHORN 2", WITHDRAWAL "SAXHORN 3"
VISUAL SIGNS: RED-YELLOW CLIMB, YELLOW-YELLOW LEVEL OFF, GREEN-YELLOW LET DOWN
RECALL SIGNS: "TEMPLE"
AIRSPEEDS: 160 CLIMB, 160 CRUISE, 170 LET DOWN
INTERVALOMETER SETTING: 30 FT.
GAS LOAD 2700, OXYGEN FULL AMMUNITION FULL
BOMBS: NO. 8 TYPE 500 RDX .1 NOSE .025 TAIL
TOWER FLARES: GREEN START ENGINES, YELLOW STAND BY PLANE, RED STAND BY SQ
OPS
ALTERNATE FIELDS: BOGGIA MAIN
GROUP LEADER: MAJOR WORD IN SHIP NUMBER 45
DEPUTY GROUP LEADER: CAPTAIN FRANKLIN IN SHIP NUMBER 52
ORDER OF FLIGHT 484TH, 461ST, 451ST
ALTERNATE TARGETS: NONE