

Authority MD745005
By NARA Date 1/17/2012POW LOADING LIST

LOADING FORM NUMBER: _____

PROJECT: POW # 20 FLOWN: 14 September 194573RD BOMB WING 497th GROUP 870th SQDN. A - 33 A/C #

CREW NUMBER _____

AIRPLANE COMMANDER Major Jasper E. SmithLOCATION OF CAMP Fukuoka No. 1 COORDINATES 33° 37' N - 130° 26' ELIST IN DROPPING SEQUENCE: LOADING DATA
Salvo

1. Type Package and Contents:

34 Blocks 10 - 1 Rations

2. Type Package and Contents:

3. Type Package and Contents:

4. Total Amount Carried for Each Target:

10 Days Supplies For 850 Men

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LOADING FORM NUMBER: _____

PROJECT: POW # 30 FLOWN: 14 Sept 194573RD BOMB WING 497th GROUP 871st SQDN. A-41 A/C #

CREW NUMBER _____

AIRPLANE COMMANDER 1st Lt Robert F. WrightLOCATION OF CAMP Fukuoka # 1 COORDINATES 33/37 N - 139/26 ELOADING DATALIST IN DROPPING SEQUENCE: Salvo1. Type Package and Contents: Class 136 each of Bundles of 10 in 1 rations

2. Type Package and Contents:

DROPPED FULL LOAD

3. Type Package and Contents:

4. Total Amount Carried for Each Target:

10 Days Supplies For 350 Men

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SUBJECT: FLASH OBSERVATIONS, 73 POWM 20

FLOWN : 14 SEP 1945

1. FUKUOKA NR 1 (33 37 - 130 26)

SUPPLIES LANDED 100 YARDS EAST OF CAMP. CAMP WAS 2 MI SOUTH OF GIVEN COORDINATES. CAMP LOCATED WEST OF RIVER - 1000 YARDS UP FROM MOUTH.

PW SPELLED IN ROCKS BETWEEN CAMP AND RIVER - READABLE GOING NORTH.

2 POW'S SEEN - CONDITION UNOBSERVED. NO PARACHUTE FAILURES.

ENTIRELY MADE IN WHITENESS AND WAS PRACTICALLY WASHED OUT. NO TO 150

PRISONERS SEEN. 1 GUY WAS NOT CERTAIN THAT THOSE SEEN WERE POW'S.

15 PER CENT CHANCE FAILURES.

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FLOWN : 14 SEP 1945

A. BOMB PLOT: NOT APPLICABLE

B. MISSION NUMBER AND TARGETS: 5 POWM 20

C. TRUE HEADING OF A/C OVER TARGET: NOT APPLICABLE

D. RESULTS: EXCELLENT AREA ADJACENT TO CAMP AND SEPARATING IT FROM OPEN AREA

E. LOADING: TO FOLLOW IN FINAL REPORT

F. NO. OF A/C OVER CAMPS: 10

G. TIME OF ATTACK: TO FOLLOW IN FINAL REPORT.

H. NUMBER OF A/C DROPPING BUNDLES IN OPEN AREA NEAREST EACH CAMP: 7

I. NUMBER OF A/C DROPPING BUNDLES WITHIN 1000 FT OF DESIGNATED OPEN AREA: 0

J. REMARKS: 412, 413, 296, 297, 2915, 2916, 392, 393, 396, 397, 595, 596

1. FUKUOKA NR 1

A. 33 37 - 130 26

B. CAMP LOCATED ABOUT 1000 YARDS FROM WEST BANK OF RIVER IN WOODED AREA. CAMP SURROUNDED BY FENCE. "PW" SPELLED OUT ON GROUND WITH ROCKS.

C. SCALE OF PHOTOS PREVENTS COUNT OF POW'S.

D. ALL SUPPLIES LANDED WITHIN 600 FT OF CAMP

E. ASSIGNED TARGET

F. 4V20 - 4V21

2. ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ OMUTA

A. EXACT LOCATION UNKNOWN

B. CAMP COMPOUND IS QUITE LARGE CONTAINING 14 ONE STORY BARRACKS TYPE

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THE MISSION. ALL STAGES ON OPPOSITE SIDE OF RIVER. CAMP LOCATED ON

T: NOT APPLICABLE OF BARRACKS. CAMP CONSISTS OF 14 BARRACKS TYPE

- B. MISSION NUMBER AND TARGETS: 5 POWM 20 BUILDINGS. PW SIGN ON ROOF OF BARRACKS
- FOR NAMES OF INDIVIDUAL POW CAMPS REFER FINAL REPORT, TO FOLLOW.
- C. TRUE HEADING OF A/C OVER TARGET: NOT APPLICABLE
- D. RESULTS: EXCELLENT AREA ADJACENT TO CAMP AND SEPARATED BY FENCE
- E. LOADING: TO FOLLOW IN FINAL REPORT
- F. NO. OF A/C OVER CAMPS: 10
- G. TIME OF ATTACK: TO FOLLOW IN FINAL REPORT.
- H. NUMBER OF A/C DROPPING BUNDLES IN OPEN AREA NEAREST EACH CAMP: 7
- I. NUMBER OF A/C DROPPING BUNDLES WITHIN 1000 FT OF DESIGNATED OPEN AREA: 0
- J. REMARKS: 622, 623, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290

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2. ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ OMUTA

- A. EXACT LOCATION UNKNOWN
- B. CAMP COMPOUND IS QUITE LARGE CONTAINING 14 ONE STORY BARRACKS TYPE BUILDINGS AND ONE LARGE "U" SHAPED ONE STORY BUILDING. COMPOUND IS ENCLOSED BY HIGH WOODEN FENCES. ONE GATE IS VISIBLE. COURTYARD IN CENTER OF COMPOUND. CAMP IS MARKED WITH LARGE "PW". OPEN AREA ADJACENT TO CAMP IS MARKED AS DROPPING AREA. CAMP IS LOCATED AT EDGE OF TOWN. SOME BUILDINGS MARKED WITH PAINTED DISKS.
- C. APPROXIMATELY 50 PERSONS SEEN INSIDE CAMP ENCLOSURE.
- D. NO SUPPLIES SEEN DROPPING OR NONE IN CAMP AREA.

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SUBJECT: FINAL REPORT, 73 POWM 20

FLOWN : 14 SEP 45

1. 73RD BOMB WING

2. AREA COVERED: KYUSHU

3. TAKE OFF: 132221 TO 132351Z

4. A/C AIRBORNE: 18

5. PKGS AIRBORNE:

TYPE 1 2 3 5 6 8 10

NO. PKGS 12 12 4 4 4 2 2

IN ADDITION: 3260 MAN UNITS - 10 DAYS PER UNIT

6. DISPOSITION OF PACKAGES:

A. PRIMARY TARGETS

NO. A/C

UNITS

PKGS

FUKUOKA NR 1

2

350

0

FUKUOKA NR 27

1

170

0

OMUTA

3

600

0

FUKUOKA NR 3

5

1000

0

B. SECONDARY TARGETS

CHOFU H/F

1

200

0

ATSUGI A/F

1

200

0

C. OTHERS: 0

D. JETTISONED

1

170

0

E. RETURNED

4

570

0

XXX RETURNED BY 36V961, 7V962, 27V962, 57V963

7. A/C FAILING TO DROP:

A. MECHANICAL: 0

B. WEATHER: 3

C. OTHER: 2

1 UNABLE TO LOCATE TARGET. ~~XXXXXXXX~~ 1 FOUND TARGET

EVACUATED

D. UNKNOWN: 0

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TYPE	1	2	3	5	6	8	10
NO. PKGS	12	12	4	4	4	2	2

IN ADDITION: 3260 MAN UNITS - 10 DAYS PER UNIT

6. DISPOSITION OF PACKAGES:

A. PRIMARY TARGETS	NO. A/C	UNITS	PKGS
FUKUOKA NR 1	2	350	0
FUKUOKA NR 27	1	170	0
OMUTA	3	600	0
FUKUOKA NR 3	5	1000	0
B. SECONDARY TARGETS			
CHOFU H/F	1	200	0
ATSUGI A/F	1	200	0
C. OTHERS: 0			
D. JETTISONED	1	170	0
E. RETURNED	4	570	0

XX RETURNED BY 36V961, 7V962, 27V962, 57V963

7. A/C FAILING TO DROP:

A. MECHANICAL: 0

B. WEATHER: 3

C. OTHER: 2 1 UNABLE TO LOCATE TARGET. ~~XXXXXXXX~~ 1 FOUND TARGET

EVACUATED

D. UNKNOWN: 0

8. TIME OF DROP: 140535 TO 140943Z.

9. ALTITUDE: 900 TO 1000 FT

10. TRUE AIR SPEED: 139 TO 160

11. LENGTH ON RUN: 2 MIN AVERAGE

12. WIND AND CLOUDS: 0/10 TO 10/10. WIND 8 TO ~~35~~ 35K.

13. LANDING: 150224 TO 160242

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