

BRIEFING NOTES

F.O. 354, 30 May 1944.

The 20th Group provides withdrawal support for the rear of the 1st ATF composed of six (6) CW's of 1st Div. B-17's, bombing GAF Control Stations and A/C plants at Oscherleben, Halberstadt, Bernberg, and Dessau.

The 364th Group will R/V and covers the front of this ATF at the same place and time.

Over 110 heavy bombers are bombing GAF Control Stations and A/C factories in Germany and R.R. Marshalling Yards in France and Belgium.

Escort is being provided by 28 Groups of the Eighth and Ninth Fighter Commands and 2 Wings of RAF Mustangs.

FRIENDLY A/C A 2nd Force of 2nd Div. B-24's will be coming out to the north as we go in. Also a 3rd ATF of 2 CW's of 3rd Div. B-24's will be coming out to the south as we go in.

As we go in we should see P-47's on the way out after W/D from our ATF. P-51's will be with the bombers and the 4th Group will be sweeping behind the ATF. RAF Mustangs will also be with the bombers.

E/A - 150 S/E and 150 T/E E/A may be vectored into the area of attack.

FLAK - Flak may be encountered at MEPPPEL, MEPPEN, and QUACKENBRUCK on the way in.

Fighter Recall - SITTING BULL

Ref. Base Altitude - 18,000 Ft.

BOMBERS C/S : VINEGROVE 1-1, 1-2, 1-3, 1-4, 1-5, 1-6,
(Underlined are C/S's of our boxes)

FIGHTERS C/S: 339th - Balance 1-4
355th - Balance 1-5
359th - Balance 1-6
357th - Balance 1-7
363rd - Balance 1-8
4th - Balance 1-9
364th - Balance 1-10
20th - Balance 1-11

CHECK POINTS : G - Zwolle
R - Dummer Lake
O - Bremen
V - Hamburg
E - Magdeburg
L - Berlin