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HEADQUARTERS 320th BOMBARDMENT GROUP (M)
Office of the Group Intelligence Officer
APO #374

D-G-2

30 April 1945.

Final Mission Report No. 586.

Flight Commander: Captain Trimma.
Lead Pilot : Captain Kamenski.

320th Bombardment Group (M).

MINE FIELD AREA ON ILE D'OLERON, AREAS "A", "B", and "C" (M/R: (V) T-215035, GSGS 4249, Sheet 6M), France.

At 06:19 hours, 18 B-26's took off to bomb Mine Field Area on Ile D'Oleron, Areas "A", "B", and "C" (M/R: (V) T-215035, GSGS 4249, Sheet 6M), France. No B-26's returned early. Total Sorties: 18. 18 B-26's were over the Primary target and 18 B-26's dropped 248 x 250-lb. Demolition bombs (.1 & .01 second delay fuses) on the Primary target at 08:50 hours from 11,100' to 10,700' on an Axis of 58°T (briefed Axis - 60°T; drift correction - 05½ right; evasive action - loss of 1,000' altitude). No bombs were salvaged or returned to base. Two lead a/c carried only 12 bombs each. No B-26's lost or missing. No B-26's damaged. 18 B-26's returned to base at 10:30 hours.

AIR OBSERVATIONS: None.

ENEMY AIR ENCOUNTERS: None. Losses to E/A: None. Damaged by E/A: None.
Claimed E/A: None.

FLAK: None. Losses to Flak: None. Damaged by Flak: None.

GROUND OBSERVATIONS: See Report No. 585, this date.

CASUALTIES: None.

No. of A/C TAKING PHOTOS: 4.

ROUTE: Same as Report No. 585, this date.

WEATHER: Same As Report No. 585, this date.

RESULTS: A good pattern covered the target area. The pattern was slightly long, with a few bombs over.

SPECIAL COMMENTS: This was a "BAT" mission.

WILLIAM COOK,
Major, Air Corps,
Group Intelligence Officer.

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TIME	FLNR	CHALLENGE	REPLY	GROUND R/T AUTHENTICATION
0100-0700	YX	S	P	1st Index number 163 FRT
0700-1300	HA	I	Q	2nd 166 BXZ
1300-1900	IG	-	X	3rd 169 PL
1900-0100	KY	Y	I	4th 172 ORL

1900-1910 RE
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DO NOT call sign: 102
T call sign for: 102

Ground station controller: BJTONE on channel 465 (116.1 Megacycles and 6440 Kcs.

CANCELLATION CODE WORD: TUG BOAT

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CREWS PARTICIPATING IN MISSION #572 - 30 APRIL 1945

Kamanski, Pilot, Capt.	444th	87
Bilbrey, CoPilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off 06:19
Beeby, Bomb., 1st Lt.		Landed 10:32
Adams, Nav., 1st Lt.		
Gay, Eng., S/Sgt.		
Millaney, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt.		
Trimm, F.C., Capt.		
Haher, Pilot, 1st Lt.	444th	78
Starbuck, Co. Pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off, 06:19
Rhodes, Bombardier, 2nd Lt.		Landed 10:32
McQuade, Navigator, 1st Lt.		
Jarrett, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.		
Stegemeyer, Radio Gunner, Sgt.		
Zalewski, Aerial photographer		
Salmonson, Pilot, 1st Lt.	444th	85
Goglolski, Co. Pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off 06:20
Williams, Bombardier, Lt.		Landed 10:33
Hartman, Navigator, 1st Lt.		
Rankin, Engineer gunner, T/sgt.		
McDaniels, Radio Gunner, Sgt.		
Vallines, Aerial gunner, Sgt.		
Mathews, Pilot, 1st Lt.	444th	88
Ericson, Co. Pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off 06:20
Sparks, Bombardier, Flight Officer		Landed 10:33
Nadeau, Observer, Captain,		
Bresar, Engineer gunner, T/sgt.		
Brown, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.		
Seawert, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.		
Nelson, Pilot, 1st Lt.	444th	90
Channell, Co. Pilot, Lt.		Took off, 06:21
Cleary, Bombardier, /sgt.		Landed 10:33
Horton, Engineer gunner, pl.		
Dinyer, Radio Gunner, s/sgt.		
Savarese, Aerial gunner, Photographers.		
Browne, Pilot, 1st Lt.	444th	Took off 76 06:21
Dolezal, Co. Pilot, flight officer		Landed 10:34
Warburton, Bombardier, Flight officer		
Prendergast, Engineer gunner, Sgt.		
Haisano, Radio Gunner, Sgt.		
Gaujot, Aerial gunner, Sgt.		
Kraus, Aerial photographer, Sgt.		
Tenberge, Pilot, 1st Lt.	444th	83 Took off 06:22
Boyd, Co. Pilot, 2nd Lt.		Landed 10:34
Skabialk, Bombardier, F/O		
Deleo, Engineer gunner, S/sgt.		
Kirkpatrick, Radio Gunner, S/sgt.		
Brady, Aerial gunner, Sgt.		

Travell, Pilot, 1st Lt.	444th	86
Marton, Co, Pilot, Flight officer,		Took off 06:26
Phillips, Bombardier, 2nd Lt.		Landed 10:36+
James, Engineer gunner, T/sgt.		
Hunt, Radio Gunner, Sgt.		
Ryan, Aerial gunner, /sgt.		
Case, Aerial photographer, Sgt.		
Hartman, Pilot, 1st Lt.	444th	98
Hafkemeyer, Co, Pilot, 1st Lt.		Took off 06:26+
Bracken, Bombardier, P/O		Landed 10:36+
Iverson, Engineer gunner, Sgt.		
Ingram Radio Gunner, Sgt.		
Wiggill, Aerial gunner, S/sgt.		
LeFever, Pilot, 2nd Lt.	444th	84
Cashen, Co, Pilot, 2nd Lt.		Took off 06:27+
Kennerson, Bombardier, Sgt.		Landed 10:37
Kraivlis, Engineer gunner, Cpl.		
Jefferis, Radio Gunner, Cpl		
Nesbitt, Aerial gunner, Sgt.		
Davis, Pilot, 1st Lt.	444th	81
Basca, Co, Pilot, 1st Lt.		Took off 06:28
Nickelson, Bombardier, 2nd Lt.		Landed 10:34+
Buchert, Eng., Sgt.		
Dagostino, Radio Gunner, Sgt.		
Perry, Aerial Gunner, S/Sgt.		
Harkness, Pilot, 2nd Lt.	444th	82
Misick, CoPilot, 2nd Lt.		Took Off 06:27
Takala, Bomb., S/Sgt.		Landed 10:37+
Hileman, Eng., Sgt.		
Ives, Radio Gunner, Cpl.		
Smith, Aerial Gunner, Cpl.		
Sink, Pilot, 1st Lt.	444th No Take Off	94