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NINETY SECOND BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H) AAF
Office of the Operations Officer

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APO # 634,
17 March 1944.

SUBJECT: Aircraft Not Attacking, Mission of 16 March 1944, Augsburg, Messerschmidt, Germany.

TO : Commanding Officer, 92nd Bombardment Group (H), AAF, APO 634.

MAIN GROUP FORMATION
(Includes one (1) A/C from 482nd BG)

A. Number of A/C Taking Off..... 19
B. Aircraft Taking Off less unused Spares..... 19
C. Number of A/C Attacking..... 15
D. Number of A/C Not Attacking..... 4
E. Detailed description of reasons why aircraft did not attack as follows:

1. A/C 42-31529 - Not Sortie. Aircraft not dispatched.
   a. When at an altitude of 10,000 feet and after being in flight for forty minutes the number one supercharger ramsway. The aircraft then returned to this station.
   b. Investigation disclosed that the number one supercharger amplifier became inoperative causing the waste gate to go to the closed position. The engineer had changed the number three amplifier to the number two position. He did not replace the number one amplifier with a spare. The engine has been ground checked and now functions satisfactorily.

2. A/C 42-37970 - Not Sortie. Aircraft Not dispatched.
   a. After fifty minutes of flight and when at an altitude of 15,000 feet, the ball gunner became violently ill, and the aircraft returned to this station.

3. A/C 42-38029 - Not Sortie. Aircraft not dispatched.
   a. After one hour and ten minutes of flying time and when at an altitude of 18,000 feet the aircraft returned to this station and the pilot reported the following: Fluxgate compass out, radio compass extremely erratic, and oxygen leak in the ball turret.
   b. The fluxgate compass was checked by Sub-Depot Instrument shop and found to function satisfactorily. Compass has been checked and found to function satisfactorily. The oxygen leak in the ball turret has been corrected.

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4. A/C 42-31032 - Sortie Credit. Aircraft was dispatched.
   a. This aircraft was shot down by enemy fighters before reaching the target. Two engines were observed to be on fire.

COMPOSITE SQUADRONS FORMATION

	(a) Key: (1)	(2)
A. Number of A/C Taking Off	6	6.
B. Aircraft Taking Off less Unused Spares	6	6.
C. Number of A/C Attacking	6	6.
D. Number of A/C Not Attacking	0	0.

E. Detailed description of reasons why aircraft did not attack as follows:

(a) Key: (1) Six (6) A/C High Squadron, Low Composite Group, 40th - 41st Composite Comb t Wing. This Squadron failed to rendezvous with the Low Composite Group and flew the entire mission as High Squadron, Low Group, 1st Combat Wing.

(2) Six (6) A/C High Squadron, Low Composite Group, 40th "A" Combat Wing.

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