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

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APO 634,
9 March 1944.

SUBJECT: Aircraft Not Attacking, Mission of 8 March 1944, Berlin.

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

MAIN GROUP FORMATION

A. Number of A/C Taking Off..... 21
B. A/C Taking Off Less Unused Spares..... 21
C. Number of A/C Attacking..... 15
D. Number of A/C Not Attacking..... 6

1. A/C 42-31408 - Not Sortie. Aircraft not dispatched.
   a. This aircraft turned back at 1112 hours, 19,000 ft.
   b. The #3 engine manifold pressure was only 31 in. hg. The amplifier was changed, but showed no improvement. The manifold pressure then dropped to 25 in. hg. and the aircraft returned to base.
2. A/C 42-3496 - Not Sortie. Aircraft Not Dispatched.
   a. This aircraft turned back at 1057 hours, 14,000 ft.
   b. Periodic fires were noticed near the junction box of the chin turret, and the aircraft turned back.
   c. Investigation disclosed that the amplidyne motor had burned. The motor was replaced.
3. A/C 42-3536 - Not Sortie. Aircraft not dispatched.
   a. This aircraft turned back at 1110 hours, 18,000 ft.
   b. Aircraft turned back because #3 engine was leaking oil from the filler neck cap.
4. A/C 42-31250 - Not Sortie. Aircraft not dispatched.
   a. This aircraft turned back at 1115 hours, 18,000 ft.
   b. With an engine speed of 2300 RPM and manifold pressure of 38 in. Hg., the cylinder and oil temperature were high and the oil pressure dropped. Oil began coming out of the breather on No. 3 engine, and the engine was feathered.
5. A/C 42-31564 - Not Sortie. Aircraft was dispatched.
   a. This aircraft turned back at 1140 hours, 18,000 ft.
   b. The oil pressure dropped to zero. The cylinder head and oil temperatures remained normal.
   c. A leak in the oil pressure gauge transmitter caused the oil pressure to drop.

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6. A/C 42-39851 - Not Sortie. Aircraft was dispatched.
   a. This aircraft turned back at 1210 hours inside the enemy coast.
   b. The oxygen pressure in the ball turret was lost at the rate of 50 lbs. every 10 to 12 minutes.
   c. The ball turret, radio, and right waist guns were out.

COMPOSITE GROUP FORMATION

A.	Number of A/C Taking Off.....	4
B.	A/C Taking Off Less Unused Spares.....	4
C.	Number of A/C Attacking.....	4
D.	Number of A/C Not Attacking.....	0

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