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AFO # 719
10 December 1944.

NARRATIVE COMBAT REPORT OF MISSION # 307-3888

- A. MISSION NO. : 307-3888, 10 December 1944, 372nd Bombardment Squadron (H) AAF, A/C 0929 was scheduled to strike Miri Town and dispersal area.
- K. GENERAL REMARKS : This plane took off at 0104/1 from Pitoe Strip, Morotai. The aircraft carried: 18 X 250# GP bombs with 8 to 15 second delay fusing, 10,000 rounds of .50 cal. ammunition and 3100 gallons of gas.

A number of men including the writer, report that 7 to 8 minutes after the take off, of this plane, a large explosion accompanied high rising flames, was seen near the top of the mountains West of Pitoe A/D on the North finger of Halmahera Island. The altitude of the mountains at this point is 2,538'.

The gas supply of this plane was sufficient for approximately 15 hours of flight. At the present writing, of the report, A/C 0929 is four hours overdue and unreported.

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LOADING LIST

AF. 0929

Lt. Col. Hinton
Lt. Patrick
Lt. Harrison
Lt. Jones
T/Sgt. Hama
S/Sgt. Westlund
T/Sgt. Britz
S/Sgt. Podwils
S/Sgt. Shea
S/Sgt. Weag
S/Sgt. Bennett

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