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372ND BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H) AAF  
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SUPPLEMENT TO NARRATIVE COMBAT REPORT OF MISSION # 307-337

- A. MISSION NO. : 307-337, 30 September 1944, 372nd Bomb Sq. (H) AAF, report on A/C 286, Lt. Liljedahl pilot, which landed at Morotai due to fuel shortage.
- B. TARGET : Pandansari Refinery, Balikpapan, Borneo. This A/C dropped on the lead plane of our Squadron.
- C. TIME OF ATTACK : 1042 I  
AND ALTITUDE : 12,150 feet true.
- D. RESULTS OF BOMBING : Unobserved. No damage to A/C nor injury to crew.
- E. INTERCEPTION : Same.
- F. BRIEF DETAILS OF COMBAT : Same.
- G. ANTI-AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERED : Same.
- H. ROUTES AND SIGHTINGS : Same, except that on return from the target, at 1257 I this plane turned off the route and took course to Morotai Island. The crew returned from Morotai by LST to Maffin Bay, LCM to Wakde and a B-24 of the 370th Bomb Sq. (H) to this base. Sightings--Nil.
- I. PHOTOS : Nil.
- J. WEATHER ENROUTE : Same.
- L. TYPE & NUMBER OF BOMBS DROPPED OVER TARGET : Bomb load of this A/C and ammunition expended were included in basic report.
- K. GENERAL REMARKS : Lt. Liljedahl made a wheels-up landing on the bomber strip at Morotai Island, which resulted in only moderate damage to the belly and bomb bay section of the A/C. However, the plane is a complete loss because the fuselage was twisted and broken as it was pushed off the runway by bulldozers. His fuel gauge indicated 75 gallons when he landed at 1540 I.

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DISCUSSION

After rendezvous the 370th squadron led formation at a minimum speed of 165 to 170 mph indicated until 15 minutes after leaving target then unnecessarily causing excessive gas consumption.

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LOADING LIST

AP. 0964

P Lt. Dorries  
CP Lt. Bloomer  
H Lt. Olson  
B Lt. Steinbrenner  
L T/Sgt. Mc Mullen  
M S/Sgt. Kaser  
R T/Sgt. Mathis  
T S/Sgt. Bura  
S S/Sgt. Jepsen  
N S/Sgt. Houston

AP. 0364

P Lt. Mc Kensie  
CP Lt. York  
H Lt. Beppler  
B Lt. Zeller  
M T/Sgt. Smith, A.F.  
R S/Sgt. Fields  
B T/Sgt. Marfoe  
L S/Sgt. Lightle  
T S/Sgt. Dulock  
N S/Sgt. Pouraning

AP. 3266

P Lt. Liljedahl  
CP Lt. Schuster  
H Lt. Hensly  
B Lt. Mayer  
M Sgt. Yates  
N Sgt. Taylor, W.E.  
L Sgt. Mc Cue  
S Sgt. Jeter  
T Sgt. Oakley  
R Sgt. Kahrboeck

AP. 0644

P Lt. May  
CP Lt. Toon  
H Lt. Melnick  
B Lt. Suchma  
M T/Sgt. Houchin  
R S/Sgt. Foley  
B T/Sgt. Ottinger  
N S/Sgt. Carson  
T S/Sgt. Collins  
L S/Sgt. Luy

AP. 0614

P Capt. Scarr  
CP Lt. Lawson  
H Lt. Trost  
B Lt. Meacham  
R Cpl. Wilbur  
T Cpl. Contos  
B Pvt. Buckman  
L Cpl. Costas  
M S/Sgt. Hagenderff  
N Pvt. Ghering

AP. 0699

P Lt. Blarvelt  
CP Lt. Scott, D.J.  
H Lt. Williams, P.  
B Lt. Smitherman  
M T/Sgt. Smith, W.B.  
R S/Sgt. Brown  
L T/Sgt. Asmons  
B S/Sgt. Posner  
T S/Sgt. Hanson  
N S/Sgt. Buchholz

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