

263 Sqdn

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GUIPAVAS

Circus 49

VD

GI.

WRM RGI NY GPJ OPS 1/4

PASS SELF

TO HQFC = MIDDLE WALLOP = WARMWELL  
FROM 10 GROUP INTELLIGENCE  
SERIAL NO 64/AI/3/8/43.

COMPOSITE CIRCUS 49. PORTREATH 3/8/43.

(AL (1) 263 (11) 453 (111) 616 (B) (1) 8 WHIRLWINDS 2 X 250  
LBS INST. G.P. (11) 12 SPITFIRES VB AND C D/T (111) 12 SPITFIRES  
VI D/T (C) (1) PREDANACK 1957 - 2115 (11) AND (111) PORTREATH  
1951 - 2128 (D) BOMBERS AND CLOSE ESCORT (E) BOMBED 2029 HRS  
(F) 6 BURSTS WITHIN A/F BOUNDARY (G) NIL

GENERAL :

R/V PREDANACK AND ON COURSE 2000 HRS OPERATION WENT AS PLANNED IN AT  
PONTUSVAL AT 12,000 FT BOMBED IN DIVE FROM 13,000 FEET TO 7,000 FEET FROM  
SOUTHEAST. BURSTS SEEN ONE AMONG STATION BUILDINGS CAUSING DEBRIS TO  
BECOME AIRBORNE 2 IN S.E. DISPERSALS 2 IN EASTERN BARRACKS HUT AREA 1 IN  
KXX NW. EXTENSION OF AIRFIELD. 2 MORE IN ROAD OUTSIDE A/F. OBJECT LIKE  
CRASHED SMOKING AIRCRAFT ON RUNWAY. 1 FW  
~~IN OUT 6000 FT AT CROSSING ONE WHIRLWIND IN BOMBING DIVE (NO RESULT)~~  
XX  
190 DID CLIMBING ATTACK ON ONE WHIRLWIND ON XX IN BOMBING DIVE (NO  
RESULTS) RUN OUT 6000 FEET CROSSING PLOUESCAT THEN DIVED TO SEA LEVEL.  
CLOSE ESCORT KEPT GOOD POSITION THROUGHOUT. TWO FW 190'S SEEN BY ESCORT  
DURING BOMBING DIVE AND FOUR MORE SHADOWING FORMATION AT 5,000 FEET 5  
MILES OUT ON RETURN. MODERATE HEAVY FLAK FROM 1M S. OF TARGET FAIRLY  
ACCURATE. SLIGHT INACCURATE HEAVY FLAK IN PLOUESCAT AREA GOING OUT. BREST  
SMOKE SCREEN OPERATING (QUITE EFFECTIVE BY TIME BOMBERS WERE LEAVING) ONE  
PILOT THOUGHT HE SAW 3 SHIPS IN LINE AHEAD E. OF USHANT GOING N.W. BUT  
OTHERS THOUGHT THEY WERE ROCKS. SPITFIRES DROPPED TANKS BEFORE GOING IN.

WEATHER:

-----CLOUDLESS OVER BREST PENINSULA VISIBILITY EXCELLENT.  
SOME CLOUD TO EASTWARD.  
COLD  
CC (NO RESULT)  
GOING  
TOD 0230 LEE VA  
RGI. R 0230 PMO VA