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TELECON MSG NO. 0055	SUBJECT 509th Group has Initiated Preparatory Operations ✓	DATE 20 July 1945
TO: CC0632WUSASTAF BHAL	INFO: TOP SECRET	FROM: CC0632WUSASTAF

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(INFO ONLY TO BAKER FROM GILLES)

The 509th Group has this date initiated preparatory operations. It will be prepared to execute its assigned function on August 5 of the first day of suitable weather thereafter. Please advise me that the employment of the 509th of its assigned function on the dates indicated has been cleared through all of the necessary higher echelons in Washington.

509th file

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Urgent

From: CG, 313th Bomber Wing, Tinian

To: War Department

Nr: APCOM 5211

5 August 1945

APCOM 5211 to SOSO personal from Farrell to O'Leary, War Department Message Center via War Dept Channels only. ~~TOP SECRET.~~

Little Boy mission left Tinian at 051645Z with Parsons and Tibbets in charge. Everything normal.

Two observing B-29's accompanied, with Alvarez Agnew and Johnston in first and Waldman in second.

Three B-29's for weather left one hour earlier to check at three target, Kirkpatrick in C-54 left at 050400Z for Iwo Jima with an advance party to prepare for possible stop over of Little Boy. One spare B-29 departed for Iwo to serve as alternate for Little Boy carrier if required.

Weather over target only fair. If unable to carry out mission because of weather it is planned to return to Iwo one try next day.

Three B-29's ordered over target four hours later for pictures errant with me.

End.

ACTION: Maj Derry

CM-IN-5494 (5 Aug 45) DTG 051653Z

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TELECON MSG NO. FN-06-02	SUBJECT BOMBS AWAY REPORT 509 SRM 13 FLOWN 6 AUGUST 1945	DATE 6 August 1945.
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TO: COMGENUSASTAF (REAR) WASH	INFO:	FROM: COMGENUSASTAF GUAM
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PASS TO COMGENUSASTAF (REAR) WASHINGTON
FROM: COMGENAAF 20 GUAM
TO: COMGENUSASTAF (GUAM)

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AIMCR 5219

Only one Bombs Away Inflight Report received as follows:

1 A/C bombed Hiroshima visually thru 1/10 cloud with good results. Time was 052315Z. No flak or E/A opposition.

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FN-06-16
FROM: COMGENAAF 20 GUAM 061318Z
TO: COMGENUSASTAF GUAM
INFO: COMGENUSASTAF (REAR) WASHINGTON (PRECEDENCE SAME AS ACTION)
AIMCR 5260 SUBJECT: FINAL REPORT, 509TH GP SPECIAL BOMBING MISSION
13, TARGET HIROSHIMA URBAN INDUSTRIAL AREA, FLOWN 5 AUGUST 1945.

1. MISSION NO: 509TH SBM 13
2. TARGET ATTACKED: HIROSHIMA URBAN INDUSTRIAL AREA
3. TIME OF TAKE OFF: 051645Z 051647Z 051649Z
4. NO. OF A/C AIRBORNE: 3
5. BOMB DATA:
 - A. LOAD AND TYPE: SPECIAL. (1) FUSING: SPECIAL.
 - B. DISPOSITION: 3 A/C PRIMARY: HIROSHIMA URBAN INDUSTRIAL AREA.
 - C. METHOD OF BOMBING: VISUAL
 - D. TIME BOMBS AWAY: 052315Z - 052317Z
6. WEATHER: 2/10 CLOUD COVERAGE TO TARGET AREA.
7. ALTITUDE: 30,200 FEET.
8. ENEMY AIR OPPOSITION: NIL.
9. ENEMY ANTI-AIRCRAFT: 1 A/C REPORTED 20 BURSTS OF FLAK 10,000 FEET BELOW A/C AT MISCHA.
10. OBSERVATIONS: NONE
11. BOMBING RESULTS: EXCELLENT
12. TIME OF LANDING: 060458Z 060507Z 060535Z
13. OTHER INFORMATION: NONE
14. MISSION RESULTS: EXCELLENT
15. REMARKS: 4 SUPERDUMBO A/C WERE AIRBORNE FOR THIS MISSION. FINAL REPORT, 509TH GP SPECIAL BOMBING MISSION NO. 13 (WEATHER AIRCRAFT) TARGETS HIROSHIMA, KOKURA, AND NAGASAKI, FLOWN 5 AUGUST 1945.

1. MISSION NO.: 509TH SBM 13 (WEATHER AIRCRAFT)
2. TARGETS OBSERVED: HIROSHIMA, KOKURA, AND NAGASAKI.
3. TIME OF TAKE OFF: 051537Z 051540Z 051546Z
4. NO. A/C AIRBORNE: 3
5. BOMB DATA: NONE CARRIED.
6. WEATHER: HIROSHIMA 2/10 CLOUD, KOKURA 4/10 TO 7/10 CLOUD, NAGASAKI CAVU.
7. ALTITUDE: 28,000 FT.
8. ENEMY AIR OPPOSITION: NIL
9. ENEMY FLAK: NIL
10. OBSERVATIONS: 4 S/E A/C ON MIYASAKI A/F. 12 T/E ON UNIDENTIFIED A/F AT 32/00 N 132/00 E. CONSIDERABLE SMOKE OVER INLAND SEA AREA COMING FROM SOUTH-WEST TIP OF SHIKOKU, EXACT LOCATION UNOBSERVED.
11. TIME OF LANDING: 060425Z 060445Z 060355Z
12. OTHER INFORMATION: FURNISHED DATA FOR STRIKE A/C.
13. MISSION SUCCESSFUL.

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From: CG, 313th Bomber Wing, Tinian

To: War Department

Nr: APMCR 5219

6 Aug 45

APMCR 5219 to SCSO personal from Farrell for O'Leary.

Target at Hiroshima attacked visually 1-10th cloud at 052315Z.
No fighters and no flak. Results by radio from Parsons at 052330Z as follows:

Results clearcut, successful in all respects. Visible effects greater than TR. Conditions normal in airplane following delivery.

Proceeding to Tinian recommend that you go all out with release program personal confirmation from Parsons later. Congratulations from all.

End.

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ACTION: Major Derry

CM-IN-5662

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From: CG 313th Bomber Wing, Tinian

To: War Department

DTG: 06/1630Z

6 August 1945

Farrell to Blanchard pass to Gen. Groves. ~~TOPSECRET~~

Limited examination of strike photos in brief
time available discloses

1. Dense cloud covers all of main part of city except
outer dock areas, hiding the main damage. Diameter of
cloud area exceeds 3 miles.

2. Numerous fires all along outer fringes of
cloud approximately one and three-quarter miles from point
of impact.

3. Structural damage to a fairly large number of
warehouses in the dock area two and a quarter miles from
point of impact.

End.

ACTION: Major Derry

INFO: SGS (Col McCarthy)

CM-IN-6033

(6Aug 45)

DTG: 061630Z

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