



**HISTORY  
OF THE  
468<sup>TH</sup> BOMBARDMENT GROUP  
(From activation to 27 November 1943)**

On 29 May 1943, Headquarters, Second Air Force, Fort George Wright, Washington, issued General Order 78, which in Section I, Paragraph 1, activated the 468<sup>th</sup> Bombardment Group (H) (B-29) composed of 792, 793, 794, and 795 Squadrons. \* Thus on 1 August 1943 the 468<sup>th</sup> Group was born at the Army Air Base, Salina, Kansas.

The personnel of the Group, however, was to come from the 444<sup>th</sup> Bombardment Group (H) located in Great Bend, Kansas, to be supplemented until the full T/O strength was reached.

In accordance with vocal orders from Headquarters, Second Air Force, Colonel Howard E. Engler, held the first staff meeting at Great Bend on 8 September 1943. Colonel Engler came from Headquarters, Army Air Forces, Washington, D.C., having seen extensive combat duty in the United Kingdom and North African theaters. His varied Air Corps experience, commencing in 1924, included three years in the Philippines and attendance at the General Staff School, the Air Corps Technical School and the Air Tactical School. The purpose of this meeting was to inform key personnel of their duties. On 10 September Major Sam A. Carnes, Group Executive Officer, 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. William F. Duffey, Schools Officer, and 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Stanley M. Zielski, Special Service Officer, were sent to Salina as the advance party. \*\*

On 15 September 1943, Headquarters, Army Air Base, Great Bend, Kansas, issued Special Order No. 149, Paragraph 1, splitting the old 444<sup>th</sup> Bombardment Group (H) into A and B sections; the A section remaining in the 444<sup>th</sup> Group and the B section becoming the 468<sup>th</sup> Group. The B sections of the 676<sup>th</sup>, 677<sup>th</sup>, 678<sup>th</sup> and 679<sup>th</sup> Squadrons became respectively the 792<sup>nd</sup>, 793<sup>rd</sup>, 794<sup>th</sup> and 795<sup>th</sup> Squadrons.

By means of a truck convoy and privately owned conveyance the Group's change of station from Great Bend, Kansas, to Smoky Hill Army Air Field, Salina Kansas, was accomplished. Upon arrival, Lt. Col. James V. Edmundson, who saw considerable action in the Solomon Islands campaign, assumed command of the 792<sup>nd</sup> Squadron. Another veteran of the Southwest Pacific who saw service as a member of the 19<sup>th</sup> Bombardment Group in the Philippines, Lt. Col. Edward C. Teats, assumed command of the 794<sup>th</sup> Squadron. Major Henry R. Sullivan (now Lt. Col.) took over the duties as commander of the 795<sup>th</sup> Squadron. The roster of Squadron commanders is completed by Major John H. East, a veteran of foreign service in Hawaii and Australia, who commands the 793<sup>rd</sup> Squadron. The total strength of the organization upon arrival was 111 Officers and 824 Enlisted Men.

\* See attached Extract-General Order 78, Par. 1, Hq. 2AF, 1 Aug 43

\*\* See attached Extract-SO#1, Par. 5, Hq, 468<sup>th</sup> Bomb Gp. 20 Sep 43



Three days after the arrival of the group, Captain Charles H. Reeves became executive officer of the 794<sup>th</sup> Squadron and Lt. Col. Teats was relieved of command by order of the 58<sup>th</sup> Wing. His successor as squadron commander was Major Robert S. Clinkscales, who spent 21 months in Hawaii, the Philippines and the Southwest Pacific. Major Jack Bollerud, with two years experience in the Alaskan theater, reported in from Marietta, Georgia to become Group Surgeon.

The morning report of 1 October showed 203 Officers and 959 Enlisted Men present which gave an indication of the growth to come. The next day Captain Leonard J. Elmer came down from Headquarters, 58<sup>th</sup> Wing to be Group Dentist. Two days later Major Philip F. Hennin reported in from Headquarters, Second Air Force, and became Group S-3. The Headquarters of the Air Service Command supplied the 795<sup>th</sup> Squadron with their medical officer, Captain John Q. Rounsaville, and 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. James A. Otey came from 58<sup>th</sup> Wing to be Group Weather Officer.

The Group continued to grow until the morning report of 15 October showed 248 Officers and 1184 Enlisted Men present. Medical personnel were brought up to full strength when Captain John C. Lillis from 58<sup>th</sup> Wing Headquarters became medical officer of the 792<sup>nd</sup> Squadron.

October was a big month for the Group although it was to bring the first real misfortune. In the afternoon of 24 October, a B-29 assigned to the 795<sup>th</sup> Squadron crashed just after taking off at the north end of the field. All members of the crew were lost with the exception of one man. The fatalities were: Major Warren A. Chittum, pilot; Captain Walter W. Foltz, passenger; 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Raymond Boardman, co-pilot; 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Jefferson L. Boling, qualified dual; 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Williams D. Fitzsimmons, engineer; 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Ray H. Shirk, engineer; Sgt. Robert W. Wright, gunner; Cpl. Anthony J. Perullo, gunner; Pfc. Jack Walker, gunner; Pfc. Tony C. Manolascino, radio operator. S/Sgt. Oscar H. Bolt, auxiliary power plant operator, escaped with minor injuries.

Lt. Col. Ted S. Faulkner came from 58<sup>th</sup> Wing to become Deputy Group Commander on 20 October and with the assignment of Major George P. Putnam on 16 November the staff was complete. There were changes to follow in certain of the staff positions but this marked the first time that all positions were filled since the activation of the group.

The steady flow of Officers and Enlisted Men was to decrease in November as the strength of the group approached the full T/O. The morning report read 331 Officers and 1334 Enlisted Men on 1 November. Major William K. Clark, who reported from the Army Air Field, Pratt, Kansas, became S-4 officer.

\* See enclosed Officer's Roster.



One day later, Captain Thomas C. Mustain replaced Captain Ivan Kerr as group navigation officer. Major William F. Savoie coming from Headquarters, Army Air Base, Dalhart, Texas as group operations officer was one of the new officers on the list of 320 Officers and 1320 Enlisted Men who were present on 15 November 1943. In the latter half of November there were two changes in the staff.

Major George W. Baker from Headquarters, San Antonio Aviation Cadet Center, replaced 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. William F. Duffey as Group Schools Officer. The other occurred on 20 November when Major Harve N. Johnson replaced Captain Smyth as the Group bombing officer. Major Johnson formerly served in the United Kingdom and worked out the ABC computer for high altitude bombing.

The mission of the Group was to train its entire personnel for combat. Immediately after arrival at Salina, transition, instrument and navigational training began. During the first few weeks B-26's and B-17's were used for training flights. As training progressed it was found that the B-17's were more satisfactory for the Group's purposes, and the use of the B-26's was abandoned. On the 20<sup>th</sup>, the first B-29 was delivered to the Group and was assigned to the 795<sup>th</sup> Squadron. Additional B-29's were received shortly thereafter, and on 27 November 1943 each squadron had 4 B-17's and 1 B-29. Training increasingly stressed the techniques of navigation, radio communications, bombing, high altitude flight, aerial gunnery, radar, formation flying and photography. This training for flying personnel has continued until the present with increasing number of long daylight and night missions. \*

The first serious mechanical trouble with a B-29 in flight occurred on the night of 8 November 1943 when the crew of the B-29 assigned to the 794<sup>th</sup> Squadron was unable to get its landing gear down. After exhausting all possible expedencies, Col. Engler ordered the ship in after a landing spot has been selected. Major Robert S. Clinkscales brought the plane in for the first successful belly-landing of a B-29, without injury to personnel.

On 6 November the first mission was briefed by group officers. The mission consisted of one plane from the 792<sup>nd</sup> Squadron which took pictures over Denver and Pueblo, Colorado. Interrogation of the crew was held the next day. In this briefing, as well as in those which followed, cooperation between the S-3 and S-2, painstaking preparation and close simulation of combat conditions were emphasized.

\* See enclosed Weekly Combat Crew Training Report, 27 Nov 43



Simultaneously the ground schools of the Group and four Squadrons were being carried on. It was found that subjects such as Orientation, First-Aid, Chemical Warfare, Aero-Medics could be best handled in Group schools. The Squadron schools taught Navigation, Intelligence, Armament, Aircraft Recognition and Engineering. \* In addition, some sections instructed their own group and Squadron personnel. For example, the S-2 Section had members of its own section teach courses of special interest to its particular section. Occasionally these classes were addressed by visiting officers, including a lecture by Major Roy F. French on briefing and interrogation, and a talk by Captain Darnell of the 8<sup>th</sup> Air Force on escape and evasion.

The 13<sup>th</sup> of November was the date that the first officers' meeting was held for the whole Group. At this meeting Colonel Engler announced that such meetings would be held each Saturday morning and the reviews would be held Saturday afternoon. \*\* It was at the officers' meeting of 27 November that the Colonel announced the division of the Group into combat and maintenance echelons. \*\*\*

\* Ground School Schedule 22 Nov 43

\*\* Officers meeting was held at 1100 and the review at 1745.

\*\*\* See attached General Orders 176, Hq, 2AF, 24 Nov 43



GENERAL ORDERS)

HEADQUARTERS SECOND AIR FORCE

Fort George Wright, Washington

NO . . . . . 78

May 29, 1943

E-X-T-R-A-C-T

SECTION I

1. Pursuant to instructions contained in restricted War Department letter AG 322 (5-18-43) OB-I-AIRPG-M, May 1943, subject: "Constitution and Activation of Certain Army Air Force Units", the following units, having been constituted and assigned to the Second Air Force, are activated as indicated:

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Station of Activation</u>	<u>Date of Activation</u>	<u>Priority Rating For Controlled Items of Equipment</u>
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Hq, 468 <sup>th</sup> Bombardment Gp (Hv) (B-29)	Salina, Kansas	August 1 1943	C-1-1405
792 <sup>nd</sup> Bombardment Sq " "			
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795 <sup>th</sup> Bombardment Sq " "			
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2. Source and size of cadres for the above Bombardment Groups will be announced in a separate communication.
3. The stations of activation shown above are designated as permanent stations for these units.
4. The tables of organization listed below will be used as guides in the organization of these units; specific authorization of officer and enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication.
 

Hq, Bombardment Squadrons (Hv) or (Hv) (B-29)-1-112,	March 26, 1943
Bombardment Squadrons (Hv)	1-117, March 25, 1943
Bombardment Squadrons (Hv) (B-29)	1-117-1s March 27. 1943
5. Initial preparation of Army Air Forces Forms 127 and 128 (Personnel Status Reports) will be accomplished by organizations designated by the Commanding Generals of the Bomber Commands concerned.
6. The Commanding Generals of the Bomber Commands concerned will submit a report without delay to the Services Commander concerned the Commanding Officer, Engineer Dept., Granite City, Illinois, the Adjutant General, Washington, D.C., and this Hq (Attention: A-1 Section), by letter, when activations of the above units have been completed.
7. Equipment will be in accordance with Table of Basic Allowance 1, July 1, 1942 and change.

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AIR CORPS PERSONNEL  
HEAVY BOMBARDMENT (T/O LESS 13 COMBAT CREWS)

OFFICERS	Personnel Required in Unit 25% manned				Personnel Required in Unit 50% manned			
	Hq	Sq	Sqs	Gp	Hq	Sq	Sqs	Gp
4-Engine Pilot	4	3	12	16	4	8	32	36
2- Engine Pilot								
Bombardier	1			1	1	3	12	13
Navigator	1			1	1	3	12	13
Bombardier-Navigator								
Engineering	1	1	4	5	1	2	8	9
Armament	1			1	1	1	4	5
Bombsight Maintenance						1	4	4
Weather	1			1	1			1
Communications	1	1	4	5	1	1	4	5
Radio (V)	*(1)			*(1)	*(1)			*(1)
Intelligence	2			2	2	1	4	6
Photographic Interpreter	1			1	1			1
Statistical	1	1	4	5	1	1	4	5
All other Officers	2	4	16	18	2	4	16	18
<b>TOTAL OFFICERS</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>116</b>
<b>ENLISTED MEN</b>	<b>Hq</b>	<b>Sq</b>	<b>Sqs</b>	<b>Gp</b>	<b>Hq</b>	<b>Sq</b>	<b>Sqs</b>	<b>Gp</b>
Administrative & Tech Clerk	26	24	96	122	26	36	144	170
Draftsman	1			1	1	1	4	5
Airplane Armorer	1			1	1	10	40	41
Airplane Armorer-Gunner						3	12	12
Bombsight Mechanic		1	4	4		1	4	4
Power Turret & Gunsight Spec						2	8	8
Radio Mechanic		2	8	8		2	8	8
Radio Operator						2	8	8
Radio Operator & Mechanic		1	4	4		1	4	4
Radio Operator & Mechanic Gunner						3	12	12
Control Tower Operator						3	12	12
Radio Mechanic (F)						1	4	4
Radio Mechanic (V)						*(1)	*(4)	*(4)
Radio Observer (V)								
Telephone and Telegraph Lineman		1	4	4		1	4	4
Teletypewriter Mechanic		1	4	4		1	4	4
Airplane and Engine Mechanic	1	4	16	17	1	14	56	57
Airplane Mechanic-Gunner						3	12	12
Electrical Specialist		1	4	4		1	4	4
Instrument Specialist		1	4	4		1	4	4
Propeller Specialist						1	4	4
Sheet Metal Worker		2	8	8		2	8	8
Parachute Rigger and Repairman		1	4	4		1	4	4
Welder		1	4	4		1	4	4
Cook-Baker	3	5	20	23	3	10	40	43
Photo Interpreter	1			1	1			1
Photo Lab Technician		1	4	4		2	8	8
Automatic Equipment Mechanic		1	4	4		1	4	4
Automotive Equipment Operator		5	20	20		10	40	40
Heavy Automotive Equipment Oper		5	20	20		10	40	40
Carpenter		1	4	4		1	4	4
All other Enlisted Men	2	5	20	22	2	11	44	46
<b>TOTAL ENLISTED MEN</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>252</b>	<b>287</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>544</b>	<b>579</b>

\* Assigned only when unit is Radar Equipped.

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ASSOCIATED SERVICES  
 Heavy Bombardment

OFFICERS	Personnel Required in Unit 25% manned			Personnel Required in Unit 50% manned				
	Hq	Sq	Sqs	Gp	Hq	Sq	Sqs	Gp
Chaplains	1			1	1			1
Medical Officers	1			1	1			1
Dental Officers	1			1	1			1
Ordnance Officers						1	4	4
<b>TOTAL OFFICERS</b>	<b>3</b>			<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>ENLISTED MEN</b>								
Administrative & Tech Clerks (Med)	1	1	4	5	1	1	4	5
Dental Technician (Medical)	1			1	1			1
Surgical Tech (Medical)	1			1	1	1	4	5
Section Leader (Medical)		1	4	4		1	4	4
Medical Tech (Medical)						1	4	4
Automotive Equipment Opr (Med)						1	4	4
Decontaminating Equipment Opr (Cml)		1	4	4		1	4	4
Chief of Section (Ord)		1	4	4		3	12	12
Ass't Chief of Section (Ord)						1	4	4
Clerk, General (Ordnance)		1	4	4		1	4	4
Munitions Worker (Ordnance)		3	12	12		6	24	24
<b>TOTAL ENLISTED MEN</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>79</b>

AG 320.2 (4-4-43)  
 OB-I-AFDPU-M, April 6, 1943

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 Captain, Air Corps.





SPECIAL ORDER)  
 NUMBER.....1)

HEADQUARTERS  
 468<sup>TH</sup> BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)  
 SMOKY HILL ARMY AIR FIELD  
 SALINA, KANSAS  
 20 September 1943

E-X-T-R-A-C-T

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1. CAPT. JOHN T.R. GODLEWSKI O439299, AC, released from 793<sup>rd</sup> Bomb Sq (H) and transferred to Hq, 468<sup>th</sup> Bomb Gr (H).
2. Having been transferred to the 468<sup>th</sup> Bomb Gp (H), SHAAF, Salina, Kansas, per par 14, SO 144, Hq. AAB, Great Bend, Kansas, dated 10 September 1943, the following named Principal Duty Assignments are made to Officers assigned to Group Headquarters, effective on dates indicated:

RANK	NAME	ASN	EFFECTIVE DATE	DUTY ASSIGNMENT
MAJOR	SAM A. CARNES AC	O329882	9/12/43	Executive Officer
1 <sup>ST</sup> LT	WILLIAM F. DUFFEY AC	0738969	9/12/43	Schools Officer
2 <sup>ND</sup> LT	STANLEY M. ZIELSKI AC	0576803	9/13/43	Special Service Officer
1 <sup>ST</sup> LT	MARION A MARVIN AC	0560080	9/12/43	Asst S-3 (Adm)

3. Having been transferred to the 468<sup>th</sup> Bomb Gp (H), Smoky Hill AAF, Salina, Kan., per par 1 SO 149, Hq, AAB, Great Bend, Kansas, dated 15 September 1943, the following Principal Duty Assignments are made to Officers assigned to Group Headquarters, effective dates indicated:

RANK	NAME	ASN	EFFECTIVE DATE	DUTY ASSIGNMENT
CAPT	WILLIAM J BRADY AC	O914750	9/19/43	Adjutant
2 <sup>ND</sup> LT	JAMES E WHITE AC	0650344	9/19/43	Statistical Officer
CAPT	MARSHALL M. KNAPPEN	O915867	9/19/43	S-2
CAPT	GEORGE W. BASS AC	O260132	9/19/43	Asst. S-2
2 <sup>ND</sup> LT	BRUCE K. HERBRUCK AC	O864667	9/19/43	Photo Officer (S-2)
MAJOR	GORE (NMI) HUGGINS	O431439	9/19/43	S-3
1 <sup>ST</sup> LT	ROY O SATHER	O439809	9/19/43	Asst. S-3 (Radio)
CAPT	DELMO W ROSS	O493683	9/19/43	Armament Officer
2 <sup>ND</sup> LT	FREDERICK E EDWARD AC	O515894	9/19/43	Asst. Armament Off.
CAPT	IVAN (NMI) KERR AC	O420805	9/19/43	Navigation Officer
CAPT	STANLEY S SMYTH AC	O420420	9/19/43	Bombing Officer
1 <sup>ST</sup> LT	PAUL J TRIER AC	O483576	9/19/43	Group Surgeon
1 <sup>ST</sup> LT	WILLIAM F MITCHELL AC	01693718	9/19/43	Asst. Group Surgeon
1 <sup>ST</sup> LT	BOYD D STUCKEY AC	0428950	9/17/43	Communications Off
CAPT	JESSE E COLBURN AC	O426251	9/20/43	Group Chaplain

4. 2<sup>nd</sup> LT MARC E. CARRIGAN O727642, AC, 792<sup>nd</sup> Bomb Sq (H), appointed Officer in Charge of Reception center
5. Par. 3, SO 1, cs, pertaining to leave of absence for officers is amended to delete 2<sup>nd</sup> LT JAMES W SMITH O748040





SO 1 HQ 468<sup>TH</sup> BOMB GP (H), SHAAF, SALINA, KANSAS, 20 SEPT 43

6. Having been attached to the 468<sup>th</sup> Bomb Gp (H), per par 10, SO 217, Hq, AAFPS (Specialized 4-engine) Lockbourne AAB, Columbus, 17 Ohio, dated 4 Sept 43, the following named Officers (2<sup>ND</sup> LTS) AC Unassigned, are attached to squadrons indicated:

795<sup>th</sup> Bomb Squadron (H)

ROY H ANDERSON O804489  
JEFFERSON L BLONG 0466472  
RAYMOND L BOARDMAN O805736  
RICHARD J HAM O683991

794<sup>th</sup> Bomb Squadron (H)

ROBERT H FITZPATRICK O682840  
RAYMOND A LEACH O805937  
CARL G LENHARD O805939  
HAROLD D HOLST O805920

792<sup>nd</sup> Bomb Squadron (H)

GEOFFREY (NMI) MATTHEWS O807014  
ROLLAND T YOUNG O684103  
ROBERT (NMI) LIEBERT III O684011

793<sup>rd</sup> Bomb Squadron (H)

MAURICE E EIGLER O805796  
JAMES E MCKAY O683562  
DEAN S ELLESTAD O805797

7. Having been transferred to the 468<sup>th</sup> Bomb Group (H), per par 7, SO 176, Hq, AAB,, Grand Island, Neb, dated 8 September 43, 2<sup>ND</sup> LT EDWARD J. ROUBIK O650320 AC, is assigned Hq, 468<sup>th</sup> Bomb Group (H).

8. Having been transferred to the 468<sup>th</sup> Bomb Group (H), per par 5, SO 60, Hq, 331<sup>st</sup> TEFTG, AAF Western Tech Training Command, Smoky Hill AAF, the following named Officers (2<sup>nd</sup> Lts unless indicated) are assigned to Squadrons indicated:

792<sup>nd</sup> Bomb Squadron (H)

WALTER J CRAIG O805770  
ARTHUR N DUPAY O805789  
WASSIL (NMI) KATCHMIR O805486

793<sup>rd</sup> Bomb Squadron (H)

STANLEY R LARACY O806275  
PETER H WARD O806182  
MATTHEW F HEALEY O860435  
HENRY O INMAN O444848

794<sup>th</sup> Bomb Squadron (H)

DEAN A LEONARD O806470  
ROBERT M PHILLIPS O806901  
EDWIN R JOHNSON O394452

795<sup>th</sup> Bomb Squadron (H)

HOWARD (NMI) LEONARD O806092  
MARTIN (NMI) LEVINE O807000  
EINAR A MOE O682890  
MERLE D JONES O860939

9. Having been transferred to the 468<sup>th</sup> Bomb Group (H), per par 11, SO 248, Hq, Roswell AAF, Roswell, New Mexico, dated 5 September 43, the following named Officers are assigned to Squadrons indicated:

792<sup>nd</sup> Bomb Squadron (H)

CAPT HAROLD R BROWN O416998

793<sup>rd</sup> Bomb Squadron (H)

CAPT JOHN C MATTHEWS O417040

794<sup>th</sup> Bomb Squadron (H)

1<sup>ST</sup> LT HAROLD W ESTEY O433663  
1<sup>ST</sup> LT ROBERT W CHRISTY O421045



10. Having been transferred to the 468<sup>th</sup> Bomb Group (H), per par 17 SO 211, Hq, AAF Pilot School (Specialized 4-Eng) Hobbs, AAF, Hobbs, N.M. dated 9 September 1943, the following named Officers are assigned to Squadrons indicated:

793<sup>rd</sup> Bomb Squadron (H)

CAPT ROBERT T DARDEN O421056  
1<sup>ST</sup> LT ROBERT W PILCHARD O1699479

794<sup>th</sup> Bomb Squadron (H)

CATP OLAF J FEELY O429778

795<sup>th</sup> Bomb Squadron (H)

CAPT LEVI W GOODRICH O421075  
CAPT WILLIAM (NMI) BECKETT O902670

11. Having been transferred to the 468<sup>th</sup> Bomb Group (H), per par 3 SO 61, Hq, 331<sup>st</sup> 2-Eng Flying Training Group, AAFWTTTC, SHAAF, Salina, Kansas, dated 18 September 1943, the following named Officer (2<sup>nd</sup> Lts unless otherwise indicated) are assigned to Squadrons indicated:

792<sup>nd</sup> Bomb Squadron (H)

DONALD V DRAKE O748596 AC  
ARTHUR L BEALL O683387 AC  
ROBERT C BALLARD JR O806959  
DAVID C WILLIAMS O683933 AC  
HENRY A LALIKER O683725 AC  
CLAUDE T POSEY O747958  
JAMES W. SMITH O748040 AC

793<sup>rd</sup> Bomb Squadron (H)

MARTIN J LONG O683035 AC  
SYLVESTER E WILCZYNSKI O683517 AC  
CHARLES C DONHAM JR O683665 AC  
ANDREW A LOFASO O683733 AC  
ROBERT C ALLISON O684217 AC  
DAVID W ROME O681500  
1<sup>ST</sup> LT HIMMON HINDS O659548 AC

794<sup>th</sup> Bomb Squadron (H)

EDWIN C MATHEWS JR O683043 AC  
CLIFFORD E REID O684048 AC  
HENRY O WATTERS O685221 AC  
BERTIL V BENTZLIN O684244 AC  
JOHN C SULLIVAN O685046 AC  
JOSEPH O NIBLOCK O681493 AC  
AUSTIN C SHOTT O683156 AC

795<sup>th</sup> Bomb Squadron (H)

EUGENE J REDINGER O683059 AC  
HORACE S RICH O807054 AC  
CHARLES A WHITE O684440 AC  
DAVID A CASTLEBERRY O684275 AC  
WILLIAM D FITZSIMMONS O679191 AC  
RAY R SHIRK JR O682684 AC  
JAMES W WARD O748046 AC

12. CAPT MARSHALL M. KNAPPEN O915867, Hq, 468<sup>th</sup> Bomb Group, appointed "Custodian of Secret and Confidential Documents", additional duty.

13. 1<sup>ST</sup> LT LOYD D STUCKEY O428950, Hq, 468<sup>th</sup> Bomb Group, appointed "Cryptographic Security Officer", additional duty.

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By order of Colonel ENGLER

W. J. BRADY  
Capt. Air Corps  
Adjutant

OFFICIAL:  
W. J. BRADY  
Capt. Air Corps  
Adjutant



HEADQUARTERS 468<sup>TH</sup> BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)  
SMOKY HILL ARMY AIR FIELD  
SALINA, KANSAS

25 November 1943

MEMORANDUM)

NO. 150-1)

REPORTS

WEEKLY COMBAT CREW TRAINING REPORT

1. Effective 27 November 1943, a weekly training accomplishment report will be prepared as of 2400 each Saturday by all Squadrons under the jurisdiction of this Headquarters. The report will cover the training accomplished during the period 0001 Sunday, to and including 2400 the following Saturday.

Section I – Training Report

- a. Section I will consist of the following: (Note A: Certain of the items below have been marked with an asterisk to indicate that, for these items, training in B-29 airplanes must be reported separately from training in B-17 airplanes)>

(Note B: For the purpose of this report, a formation consists of two or more airplanes.)

1. \*Total hours of day formation flying. (Reported here will be hours flown as a formation and not the total for all airplanes in formation.)
2. \*Total hours of night formation flying.
3. \*Total hours of formation flying above 20,000 feet. (This figure will be a portion of 1 and/or 2, include only the time spend above 20,000 feet.)
4. \*Total hours of instrument flying, i.e., actual flight hooded and/or in the overcast.
5. \*Total hours of night flying, as interpreted for entry in AAF Form No. 1.
6. Total hours of link trainer time.
7. \*Total hours of celestial navigation.
8. \*Total hour of night celestial navigation.
9. \*Total number of high altitude navigation missions, 20,000 feet or above.



10. \*Total number of long range navigational missions, i.e., flights of 1500 mile range or more during which fixes and tracks are determined by any combination of navigational techniques other than radio.
11. Total hours CMT operation.
12. Total hours of bomb trainer operation
13. \*Total number of bombs expended
14. \*Total number of bombs released above 20,000 feet
15. \*Total number of individually aimed bomb releases. (Releases made in formation flight which are aimed by the flight leader will count as a single release and not as a release for particular plans.)
16. \*Total number of releases using C-1 automatic Pilot.
17. \*Total number of releases scored by estimate
18. \*Total number of releases scored by photography or by triangulation.
19. \*Total number of camera bombing runs completed.
20. \*Average circular error for the period converted to 12,000 feet.
21. Total hours of operation of G.E. computer sight not installed in aircraft. (This includes all synthetic trainers, mockups, etc., using this sight.)
22. Number of B-29 missions on which sighting and tracking was accomplished on other airplanes (without actual firing).
23. Total number of B-29 missions on which gunners fired.
24. Total number of rounds fired in flight from B-29 airplanes.
25. Total number of rounds fired above 20,000 feet from B-29 airplane.
26. \*Total air to ground contacts (CW) completed by Radio Operator-Mechanic.
27. \*Total air to air contacts (CW) completed by Radio Operator-Mechanic.



28. \*Total hours of operation of radar equipment in flight by Radar Observer-Mechanic.

2. The reports will be submitted to this headquarters in the following form. Items will be designated by numbers only in each Section of the report. Items designated above will be reported in two parts – training on B-29 Airplanes will be reported immediately following the number of the item and will be separated by a diagonal from the report of training accomplished on B-27 Airplanes.

Section I

1. 40:15/30:20	8. 15:30/5:30	15. 80:30/0	22. 0
2. 40:30/50:15	9. 3:10/5:40	16. 14:40/0	23. 6:50
3. 10:20/20:30	10. 2:40/0	17. 16:50/0	24. 6890:50
4. 0/5:40	11. 10:00	18. 10:15/0	25. 165:55
5. 15:30/0	12. 10:40	19. 3:50/0	26. 10:30/0
6. 6:30	13. 100:40/0	20. 341:30/500:10	27. 0/5:30
7. 0/10:30	114. 15:15/0	21. 0	28. 15:45

3. Parts of this report should be prepared by the sections within the Squadrons concerned, as follows:

No's. 7 thru 10 – Navigation Officer

11 thru 20 – Bombing Officer

21 thru 25 – Armament Officer

26 thru 27 – Communications Officer

28 by the Radar or Communications Officer depending on whether Radar Officer is assigned to the Squadron.

4. These reports will be consolidated by the Squadron Operations clerk and signed by the Squadron Operations Officer. They will be forwarded so as to reach the Group Statistical Officer by 1200 Sunday.
5. The Group Statistical Officer will consolidate these reports and distribute copies of the consolidated report to the Staff Sections of this headquarters and also forward two copies to the Commanding General, 58<sup>th</sup> Bomb Wing (H), as required by Memo 150-8, Headquarters, 58<sup>th</sup> Bomb Wing (H), dated 20 October 1943.

By order of Colonel ENGLER

W.J. BRADY  
Capt, AC  
Adj



HEADQUARTERS 468<sup>TH</sup> BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)  
Smoky Hill Army Air Field  
Salina, Kansas

27 November 1943

**SUBJECT:** Weekly Combat Crew Training Reports

**TO:** Commanding General, XX Bomber Command, Smoky Hill Army Air Field, Salina, Kansas  
(Attention: Statistical Officer)

1. In compliance with Memorandum 150-8, Headquarters XX Bomber Command, dated 20 October 1943, Memorandum 150-8A, Headquarters XX Bomber Command, dated 25 October 1943, and Memorandum 150-8B, Headquarters XX Bomber Command, dated 20 October 1943, the following information is submitted:

SECTION I

1. 0/0	8. 8:20/149:03	15. 0/776	22. 7
2. 0/0	9. 0/2	16. 0/543	23. 0
3. 0/0	10. 0/1	17. 0/586	24. 0
4. 12:25/57:35	11. 217:37	18. 0/190	25. 0
5. 28:10/234:20	12. 167	19. 0/0	26. 73/377
6. 139:20	13. 0/776	20. 0/228	27. 3/2
7. 11:20/166:33	14. 0/3	21. 191:00	28. 0/0

SECTION II

1. 19
2. 47
3. 5

SECTION III

Pilots	45/1330/226/4947
Co-Pilots	99/1350/226/6805
Nav-Bomb	99/1374/286/6754
Flt Engineers	56/156/193/2019
Radio Oper-Mech-Gnr	88/1132/237/3961
Radar Oper-Mech	29/462/250/520
CSFC Spec	50/1128/163/1176
Power Plant Spec-Gnr	35/1207/163/1253
Elec Spec-Gnr	51/980/163/1024
AP Mech-Gnr	105/1652/163/1732

2. Thirty-four Flight Engineers now on DS 4 Engine Transition School not shown on report. Upon completion of DS will be shown as Co-Pilots.

For the Commanding Officer:

JAMES E WHITE  
2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. AC  
Statistical Officer



GENERAL ORDERS)

HEADQUARTERS SECOND AIR FORCE

Colorado Springs, Colorado

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SECTION I

1. Pursuant to authority contained in immediate section restricted War Department letter AG 322 (17 Nov 1943) OB-I-AFRPG-M, 19 November 1943, subject: "Constitution, Activation and Redesignation of Certain Bombardment Units," the following Units having been constituted and assigned to the Second Air Force are activated as indicated, effective as of 20 November 1943:

<u>Unit</u>	<u>T/O</u>	<u>Station of Activation</u>	<u>Priority Rating</u>
Hq & Hq Sq, XX Bomber Comd	1-10C-1S-2, 15 Feb 43, Less Hq Sq Flight (Col 25 of advance copy of T/O)	Smoky Hill AAF Salina, Kansas	0-1-739
Hq, 497 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Gp, Very Heavy	Incl 4	AAF El Paso, Texas	0-1-740
869 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq, Very Heavy)	Incl 1		
870 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq, Very Heavy)			
871 <sup>st</sup> Bomb Sq, Very Heavy)			
872 <sup>nd</sup> Bomb Sq, Very Heavy)			
17 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Maint Sq Very Heavy)	Incl 2		
18 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Maint Sq Very Heavy)			
19 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Maint Sq Very Heavy)			
20 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Maint Sq Very Heavy)			
15 <sup>th</sup> Photo Lab, Bomb Gp Very Heavy	Incl 6		
Hq, 498 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Gp, Very Heavy	Incl 4	AAF Clovis N.M.	0-1-741
873 <sup>rd</sup> Bomb Sq, Very Heavy)	Incl 1		
874 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq, Very Heavy)			
875 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq, Very Heavy)			
876 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq, Very Heavy)			
21 <sup>st</sup> Bomb Maint Sq Very Heavy)	Incl 2	AAF Clovis N.M.	0-1-741
22 <sup>nd</sup> Bomb Maint Sq Very Heavy)			
23 <sup>rd</sup> Bomb Maint Sq Very Heavy)			
24 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Maint Sq Very Heavy)			
16 <sup>th</sup> Photo Lab, Bomb Gp Very Heavy	Incl 6		0-1-741





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<u>Unit</u>	<u>T/O</u>	<u>Station of Activation</u>	<u>Priority Rating</u>
Hq, 499 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Gp, Very Heavy	Incl 4	Davis-Monthan Fld Tucson, Arizona	0-1-742
877 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq, Very Heavy)	Incl 1		
878 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq, Very Heavy)			
879 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq, Very Heavy)			
880 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq, Very Heavy)			
25 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Maint Sq Very Heavy)	Incl 2	AAF Clovis N.M.	0-1-741
26 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Maint Sq Very Heavy)			
27 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Maint Sq Very Heavy)			
28 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Maint Sq Very Heavy)			
17 <sup>th</sup> Photo Lab, Bomb Gp Very Heavy	Incl 6		
Hq, 500 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Gp, Very Heavy	Incl 4	Gowen Fld, Boise Idaho	0-1-743
881 <sup>st</sup> Bomb Sq, Very Heavy)	Incl 1		
882 <sup>nd</sup> Bomb Sq, Very Heavy)			
883 <sup>rd</sup> Bomb Sq, Very Heavy)			
884 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq, Very Heavy)			
29 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Maint Sq Very Heavy)	Incl 2		
30 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Maint Sq Very Heavy)			
31 <sup>st</sup> Bomb Maint Sq Very Heavy)			
32 <sup>nd</sup> Bomb Maint Sq Very Heavy)			
18 <sup>th</sup> Photo Lab, Bomb Gp Very Heavy	Incl 6		
1 <sup>st</sup> Bomb Maint Sq Very Heavy)	Incl 2	AAF Pratt, Kansas	A-5(b)-11
2 <sup>nd</sup> Bomb Maint Sq Very Heavy)			
3 <sup>rd</sup> Bomb Maint Sq Very Heavy)			
4 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Maint Sq Very Heavy)			
5 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Maint Sq Very Heavy)	Incl 2	AAF Clovis N.M.	A-5(b)-11
6 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Maint Sq Very Heavy)			
7 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Maint Sq Very Heavy)			
8 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Maint Sq Very Heavy)			
9 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Maint Sq Very Heavy)	Incl 2	Walker AAF Kansas	A-5(d)-2
10 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Maint Sq Very Heavy)			
11 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Maint Sq Very Heavy)			
12 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Maint Sq Very Heavy)			



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<u>Unit</u>	<u>T/O</u>	<u>Station of Activation</u>	<u>Priority Rating</u>
13 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Maint Sq Very Heavy)	Incl 2	Smoky Hill AAF	A-5(d)-2
14 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Maint Sq Very Heavy)		Salina, Kansas	
15 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Maint Sq Very Heavy)			
16 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Maint Sq Very Heavy)			
10 <sup>th</sup> Photo Lab, Bomb Gp Very Heavy	Incl 5	Smoky Hill AAF, Salina, Kansas	C-1-749
11 <sup>th</sup> Photo Lab, Bomb Gp Very Heavy	Incl 6	AAF Pratt, Kansas	A-5(b)-11
12 <sup>th</sup> Photo Lab, Bomb Gp Very Heavy	Incl 6	AAF Great Bend, Kansas	A-5(b)-11
13 <sup>th</sup> Photo Lab, Bomb Gp Very Heavy	Incl 6	Walker AAF, Kansas	A-5(d)-2
14 <sup>th</sup> Photo Lab, Bomb Gp Very Heavy	Incl 6	Smoky Hill AAF, Salina, Kansas	A-5(d)-2

2. a. The Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron, 73<sup>rd</sup> Bombardment Operational Training Wing (Hv), in redesignation as the Headquarters, 73<sup>rd</sup> Bombardment Wing, Very Heavy, and concurrently with the above actions is activated at Smoky Hill AAF, Salina, Kansas, in accordance with enclosure 3.

b. Priority rating for controlled items of equipment will be C-1-744.

3. Source and size of cadres for the units listed in paragraph 1 and 2 above will be as follow. Personnel replacement will be accomplished in the usual manner by extension of AAF Forms 127-A and 127-B.

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Source &amp; Size Cadre</u>
Hq & Hq Sq, XX Bomber Command	Cadre for this unit will be organized from personnel now under control of the 58 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Wing in amounts as determined by the Commanding General, 58 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Wing.
Hq, 73 <sup>rd</sup> Bomb Wing, Very Heavy	Cadre for this unit will be organized from personnel now under control of the 58 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Wing in amounts as determined by the Commanding General, 58 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Wing.
497 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Gp, Very Heavy	Cadre for this unit will be organized from the 491 <sup>st</sup> Bomb Gp (Hv) and will consist of all personnel presently assigned, excepting Gp CO, Sq Cos, Combat Crews, Operations Officers, or any other flying personnel.



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498<sup>th</sup> Bomb Gp, Very Heavy  
(Total Group)

Cadre for this unit will be organized from the 492<sup>nd</sup> Bomb Gp (Hv) and will consist of all personnel presently assigned, excepting Gp CO, Sq Cos, Combat Crews, Operations Officers, or any other flying personnel.

499<sup>th</sup> Bomb Gp, Very Heavy  
(Total Group)

Cadre for this unit will be organized from the 493<sup>nd</sup> Bomb Gp (Hv) and will consist of all personnel presently assigned, excepting Gp CO, Sq Cos, Combat Crews, Operations Officers, or any other flying personnel.

500<sup>th</sup> Bomb Gp, Very Heavy  
(Total Group)

Cadre for this unit will be organized from the 494<sup>nd</sup> Bomb Gp (Hv) and will consist of all personnel presently assigned, excepting Gp CO, Sq Cos, Combat Crews, Operations Officers, or any other flying personnel.

Unit

Source & Size Cadre

1<sup>st</sup> Bomb Maint Sq Very Heavy)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Bomb Maint Sq Very Heavy)  
3<sup>rd</sup> Bomb Maint Sq Very Heavy)  
4<sup>th</sup> Bomb Maint Sq Very Heavy)

Cadre from 40<sup>th</sup> Bomb Gp, as determined by CO thereof.

5<sup>th</sup> Bomb Maint Sq Very Heavy)  
6<sup>th</sup> Bomb Maint Sq Very Heavy)  
7<sup>th</sup> Bomb Maint Sq Very Heavy)  
8<sup>th</sup> Bomb Maint Sq Very Heavy)

Cadre from 444<sup>th</sup> Bomb Gp, as determined by CO thereof.

9<sup>th</sup> Bomb Maint Sq Very Heavy)  
10<sup>th</sup> Bomb Maint Sq Very Heavy)  
11<sup>th</sup> Bomb Maint Sq Very Heavy)  
12<sup>th</sup> Bomb Maint Sq Very Heavy)

Cadre from 462<sup>nd</sup> Bomb Gp, as determined by CO thereof.

13<sup>th</sup> Bomb Maint Sq Very Heavy)  
14<sup>th</sup> Bomb Maint Sq Very Heavy)  
15<sup>th</sup> Bomb Maint Sq Very Heavy)  
16<sup>th</sup> Bomb Maint Sq Very Heavy)

Cadre from 468<sup>th</sup> Bomb Gp, as determined by CO thereof.

10<sup>th</sup> Photo Lab, Bomber Comd, Very Heavy

Cadre from personnel now under control 58<sup>th</sup> Bomb Wing as determined by CG thereof.

11<sup>th</sup> Photo Lab, Bomber Comd, Very Heavy

Cadre from 40<sup>th</sup> Bomb Wing as determined by CG thereof.



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| 12 <sup>th</sup> Photo Lab, Bomber Comd, Very Heavy | Cadre from 444 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Gp, as determined by CG thereof. |
| 13 <sup>th</sup> Photo Lab, Bomber Comd, Very Heavy | Cadre from 462 <sup>nd</sup> Bomb Gp, as determined by CG thereof. |
| 14 <sup>th</sup> Photo Lab, Bomber Comd, Very Heavy | Cadre from 468 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Gp, as determined by CG thereof. |

4. Concurrently with the above actions, the following units are redesignated as indicated and will be reorganized by the Commanding General, XX Bomber Command.

<u>Present Designation</u>	<u>New Designation</u>	<u>To be Reorganized In Accordance With</u>
Hq & Hq Sq, 58 <sup>th</sup> Bombardment Wing (Hv)	Hq 58 <sup>th</sup> Bombardment Wing Very Heavy	Incl 3
Hq, 40 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Gp, (Hv) (B-29)	Hq, 40 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Gp, Very Heavy	Incl 4
25 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq (Hv) (B-29)	25 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq, Very Heavy)	Incl 1
44 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq (Hv) (B-29)	44 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq, Very Heavy)	
45 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq (Hv) (B-29)	45 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq, Very Heavy)	
395 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq (Hv) (B-29)	395 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq, Very Heavy)	
Hq, 444 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Gp, (Hv) (B-29)	Hq, 444 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Gp, Very Heavy	Incl 4
676 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq (Hv) (B-29)	676 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq, Very Heavy)	Incl 1
677 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq (Hv) (B-29)	677 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq, Very Heavy)	
678 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq (Hv) (B-29)	678 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq, Very Heavy)	
679 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq (Hv) (B-29)	679 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq, Very Heavy)	
Hq, 462 <sup>nd</sup> Bomb Gp, (Hv) (B-29)	Hq, 462 <sup>nd</sup> Bomb Gp, Very Heavy	Incl 4
768 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq (Hv) (B-29)	768 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq, Very Heavy)	Incl 1
769 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq (Hv) (B-29)	769 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq, Very Heavy)	
770 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq (Hv) (B-29)	770 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq, Very Heavy)	
771 <sup>st</sup> Bomb Sq (Hv) (B-29)	771 <sup>st</sup> Bomb Sq, Very Heavy)	
Hq, 468 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Gp, (Hv) (B-29)	Hq, 468 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Gp, Very Heavy	Incl 4
792 <sup>nd</sup> Bomb Sq (Hv) (B-29)	792 <sup>nd</sup> Bomb Sq, Very Heavy)	Incl 1
793 <sup>rd</sup> Bomb Sq (Hv) (B-29)	793 <sup>rd</sup> Bomb Sq, Very Heavy)	
794 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq (Hv) (B-29)	794 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq, Very Heavy)	
795 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq (Hv) (B-29)	795 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Sq, Very Heavy)	

5. Officer and enlisted grades are authorized accordingly.
6. Equipment for all units listed herein will be in accordance with special lists of equipment to be prepared by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Assistant Chief of Air Staff, OO&R, Bombardment Branch) and submitted to Assistant Chief of Air Staff, MM&D, for processing.
7. The Chiefs of Technical Services will not ship equipment to newly activated units until specifically requisitioned; automatic issue will not apply in this instance.



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8. The following units now assigned to the Second Air Force are further assigned as indicated:

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Assignment</u>
Hq, 58 <sup>th</sup> Bombardment Wing, Very Heavy	XX Bomber Command
Hq, 73 <sup>rd</sup> Bombardment Wing, Very Heavy	XX Bomber Command
10 <sup>th</sup> Photo Lab, Bomber Command, Very Heavy	XX Bomber Command
472 <sup>nd</sup> Bomb Gp, Very Heavy	XX Bomber Command
40 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Gp, Very Heavy	58 <sup>th</sup> Bombardment Wing
444 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Gp, Very Heavy	Very Heavy
462 <sup>nd</sup> Bomb Gp, Very Heavy	
468 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Gp, Very Heavy	
497 <sup>h</sup> Bomb Gp, Very Heavy	73 <sup>rd</sup> Bombardment Wing
498 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Gp, Very Heavy	Very Heavy
499 <sup>nd</sup> Bomb Gp, Very Heavy	
500 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Gp, Very Heavy	
1 <sup>st</sup> Bomb Maint Sq, Very Heavy	40 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Gp, Very Heavy
2 <sup>nd</sup> Bomb Maint Sq, Very Heavy	
3 <sup>rd</sup> Bomb Maint Sq, Very Heavy	
4 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Maint Sq, Very Heavy	
11 <sup>th</sup> Photo Lab, Bomb Gp, Very Heavy	40 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Gp, Very Heavy
5 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Maint Sq, Very Heavy	444 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Gp, Very Heavy
6 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Maint Sq, Very Heavy	
7 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Maint Sq, Very Heavy	
8 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Maint Sq, Very Heavy	
12 <sup>th</sup> Photo Lab, Bomb Gp, Very Heavy	444 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Gp, Very Heavy
9 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Maint Sq, Very Heavy	462 <sup>nd</sup> Bomb Gp, Very Heavy
10 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Maint Sq, Very Heavy	
11 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Maint Sq, Very Heavy	
12 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Maint Sq, Very Heavy	
13 <sup>th</sup> Photo Lab, Bomb Gp, Very Heavy	462 <sup>nd</sup> Bomb Gp, Very Heavy
13 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Maint Sq, Very Heavy	468 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Gp, Very Heavy
14 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Maint Sq, Very Heavy	
15 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Maint Sq, Very Heavy	
16 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Maint Sq, Very Heavy	
14 <sup>th</sup> Photo Lab, Bomb Gp, Very Heavy	468 <sup>th</sup> Bomb Gp, Very Heavy



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9. When actions directed in paragraphs 1, 2 and 4 above have been completed, a report will be submitted by letter to the Adjutant General by the Commanding General, XX Bomber Command, and copies furnished the Service Commander concerned, the Commanding Officer, Engineer Depot, Granite City, Illinois, and this Headquarters (attn: A-1) without delay.

By command of Major General STREETT

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