

398th Bombardment Group Formation Chart

Mission 2: 7 May 1944 - Target Attacked: Berlin, Germany

Planned

1st CBW Lead Group	Col HUNTER	7 May 1944
Squadron Leader	Frazier 7338-C	
	Heintzelman Halter	
	2391-B 7401-T /ot	
		Berry 2565-M/ot
		Darner Davis J.H
		2596-N 2516-H/ot

Low Squadron	Bestervelt 7249-P/ot	
	Elwood Lowe D.B.	
	7380-R /ot 7399-H /ot	
		Baker 2418-M/ot
		Searl Alhadeff
		2487-F 2536-C/ot

High Squadron	Ross 7337-R /ot	
	Woodson Richardson	
	7387-H /ot 7374-X /ot	
		Taylor 7810-S/ot
		Turner Hough
		2463-Z ot 2593-C/ot

	Ford 2390-X	
Binger	Nelson	
7190-L	2543-B	
	Hadjes	
	7080-S ot	

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High Squadron: A/C 7080-S Hadjes position # 4 Ford element replaced A/C 2487-F Searl # 3 position in Baker element low squadron.

Group: 15 A/C with **ot** labeling above verified from interrogation reports as over target.

Total A/C: Planned 22 (22 on chart above) and Total A/C Attacking 18

1 A/C returned due to mechanical failure (PDF 41). A/C 2487-F Searl is presumed to be that aircraft.

Thus three above did not attack and three others of the 6 above without the **ot** label did attack. The six are: Hunter-Frazier, Heintzelman, Darner, Ford, Binger, Nelson.

But A/C 2390-X Ford interrogation report revealed that route followed as briefed. Therefore assumed to be over target. In addition, it is also presumed Hunter-Frazier were over target, and also Heintzelman based on number of dots in name on blank interrogation report.

Those presumed not to be over target (for unknown reasons): A/C 2596-N Darner as not verified on interrogation report and A/C 7190-L Binger and A/C 2543-B Nelson as not verified on interrogation report.