

Operational Record of Ploesti Mission

Target Force Group Commander	Aircraft			Target (1)		Est. Destr. Refin. Cap. (6 mos.)	Aircraft Losses				A/C Returned			Enemy A/C Claimed Destd.
	Dispatched	Turnbacks	Reached Targets	Assigned	Bombed (2)		In Action	In Turkey	Misc. Causes	Total Lost	Home Base	Other Bases	Damaged	
White I (376th) Col. Compton	28 (3)	1	26	Wh. I	6? A/C Wh. II	0%	1	1	1 (3)	3	23	1	6	1
White II (93d) Lt. Col. Baker	25	5	32	Wh. II	Wh. II? III? IV, V	15%	11	2	0	13	15	4	13	2
White III (93d) Lt. Col. Baker	12			Wh. III		0%								
White IV (98th) Col. Kane	47 (4)	7	39	Wh. IV	Wh. IV	Astra 50% Orion 30%	18	1 (5)	2 (6)	21	9 (8)	10	14	33
White V (44th) Col. Johnson	17	0	39	Wh. V	Wh. V	100%	7	2	2 (7)	11	22	4	15 (9)	13
Blue (44th) Lt. Col. Posey	20			Blue	Blue	100%								
Total	178	13	163			42.5%	41	8	5	54	89	22	58	51 (11)

NOTES:

1. Targets: White I, Romana Americana Refinery; White II, Concordia Vega; White III, Standard Petrol Block and Unirea Speranta; White IV, Astra Romana and Unirea Orion; White V, Colombia Aquila; Blue, Creditul Minier, Brazi; Red, Steaua Romana, Campina
2. Statistics on bombs dropped vary greatly. It is quite impossible to say how many were dropped on targets.
3. One aircraft crashed at sea enroute to target.
4. One aircraft crash landed attempting to land just after taking off.
5. This aircraft crashed in the sea just off the Turkish coast.
6. Besides the aircraft that crash landed taking off (5), one crash landed in Cyprus enroute home.
7. Two crash landed enroute home.
8. An additional one crash landed on return home
9. One is uncertain
10. Three are uncertain
11. A report considered reliable by a local agent placed enemy losses at four German and eight Rumanian fighters, and 20 damaged.