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MEADQUARTERS 1ST BOMBARDMENT DIVISION Office of the Commanding General APO 557

23 June 1944.

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SUBJECT : Combat Crew Commendation.

To I Commonding Officer, 401st Bombardment Group (H), APO 557.

1. On 31 May 1944 the personnel in the lead aircraft of the low group formation, 94th Combat Bombardment Wing, distinguished themselves by the coordinated effort and teamwork which they contributed to the success of the attack on the Luxeuil Airdrome in Occupied France. Tabulated results of the bombing indicate that of the total bombs identified, sixty-two (62) percent fell within five hundred (500) feet of the Aiming Point and one hundred (100) percent fell within one thousand (1000) feet.

2. I wish to commend these Officers and Enlisted Men on their exemplary and distinctive manner of duty performance on this occasion. It is gratifying to note that Captain Euenning is repeatedly demonstrating a high degree of skill as a member of a combat team.

Fred D. Grinham	0-729337	Pilot
William T. Seawell	0-23712	Air Commander-Co-Pilot
Rufus F. Causey	0-674149	Navigator
Arnold C. Kuenning	~725449	Bombardier
Theodore Chapman	0-618828	Tail Gunner
Charles M. Lewis	11103284	Radio Operator
Roy W. Cockerham	13143030	Top Turret Gunner
Charles E. Hardy	33478221	Ball Turret Gunner
James R. Hamilton	35664584	Left Waist Gunner
Herbert M. Housman	12156692	Right Waist Gunner
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3. A copy of this letter will be placed in the 201 Files of all concerned.

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ROBERT B. WILLIA'S, Brigadier General, U. S. Army, Commanding.

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(G/A/1) 25 June 1944.

TU: Commanding Officer, 615th Bomb Sq (H), 401st Bomb Gp (H), APO #557, U.S.Army.

1. Once again I am privileged to forward to you a commendation from the Division Commander. To each man concerned I wish to express my profound gratification and appreciation for the superior performance that has made such a commendation possible and richly deserved.

H. W. BOWMAN,