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ANTI-AIRCRAFT ACTION BY SURFACE SHIPS

Location of Ship: Tarragona, Leyte Gulf, P.I. USS LCT(6) 1071 Date: 10 December 1944

1. Surprise attack (yes or no): No.
2. Method of picking up (radar, binoculars, naked eye): Shore radar
3. Range plane was picked up (50 miles, 30 miles, 10 miles, less 5 miles): ---
4. Number of planes: Three
5. Type of plane (fighter, scout, divebomber): Fighters
6. Type of attack: Suicide dive
7. Speed & altitude (high & fast, intermediate & fast, low & fast, high & slow, intermediate & slow, low & slow): 300 --- 5000 ft.
8. Guns firing: 20mm. & 50 cal. Size: Number: Four
9. Method of control: Method spotting:
10. Ammunition expended: 20's -- 70 rounds 50's -- 100 rounds
11. Percent service allowance expended: Less one per cent
12. Approximate time tracking to first shot: 2 or 3 minutes
13. Approximate time of first hits: 5 minutes
14. Approximate time first shot to last shot: ---
15. Approximate position angle open fire: 70°
16. Approximate position cease fire: ---
17. Approximate position first shot: Off port beam
18. Approximate bearing last shot: 210 degrees
19. Approximate first shot: 1500 yds.
20. Approximate altitude bomb release: --- Type bomb: ---
21. Approximate range last shot: 1000 yds..
22. Approximate range torpedo release: --- Size Torpedo: ---
23. Hits on ship: --- Was ship strafed?: No
24. Size gun: ---
25. Number bomb near misses: --- Casualties from near misses: ---
26. Planes shot down -- Sure --- Possible --- Damage ---
By what size gun: ---
27. Details of damage to target by gunfire if available: ---
28. Performance of ammunition (excellent, good, bad, and poor): Excellent
29. Pattern sizes (large, small excessive): ---

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