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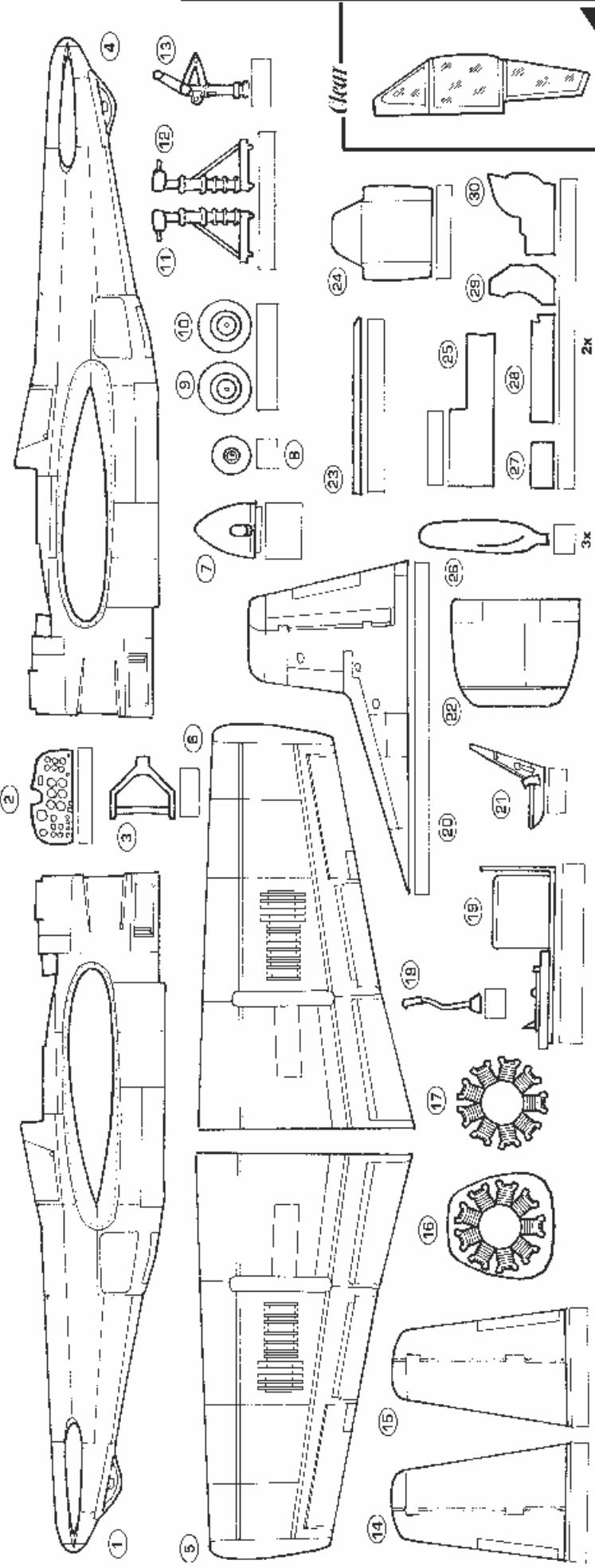
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V počátku let období války v Pacifiku se uplatnily stíhací bombardéry Douglas SBD Dauntless. Americké létající letecké skupiny však v druhé polovině bitvy o Michaux a v Korejském moři, kde leteckým námořním bombardérům po bitvách na Filipínách 25. června 1944 byly předány. Hlavní hmotný úder byl veden v leteckých bombardérů XBTD-1 Destroyer. Dva prototypy byly postaveny v červnu 1941. Výrobu se nekontinuálně prováděl až do května 1943, když bylo vyrobeno celkové množství 120 kusů. První prototyp XBTD-1 vzlétl 3. dubna 1943. Výroba byla povýšena v květnu 1943, aby mohla splnit požadavky na dodání 100 kusů do srpna 1943. Konečný výrobek byl dokončen v říjnu 1943. Výroba byla ukončena v lednu 1944. Stíhací bombardér XBTD-1 byl využíván pro operace v západním Pacifiku (V-J Day). Výkony letounu BTD-1 byly výrazně horší než u jeho konkurenčního typu Douglas A-20 Havoc. Výkony letounu BTD-1 byly výrazně horší než u jeho konkurenčního typu Douglas A-20 Havoc.

Technické údaje:

Délka:	11,78 m
Výška:	4,14 m
Rozpětí:	13,72 m
Délka:	7,84 kmh - výšce 46855 m
Max. rychlosť:	7195 m
Dosah:	

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Length:	30 ft (11.75 m)
Height:	12 ft 7 in (4.14 m)
Wingspan:	45 ft (13.7 m)
Range:	1480 miles (2382 km)
Max Speed:	334 mph (534 km/h) at 16,000 ft
Climb:	23,600 ft (7195 m)

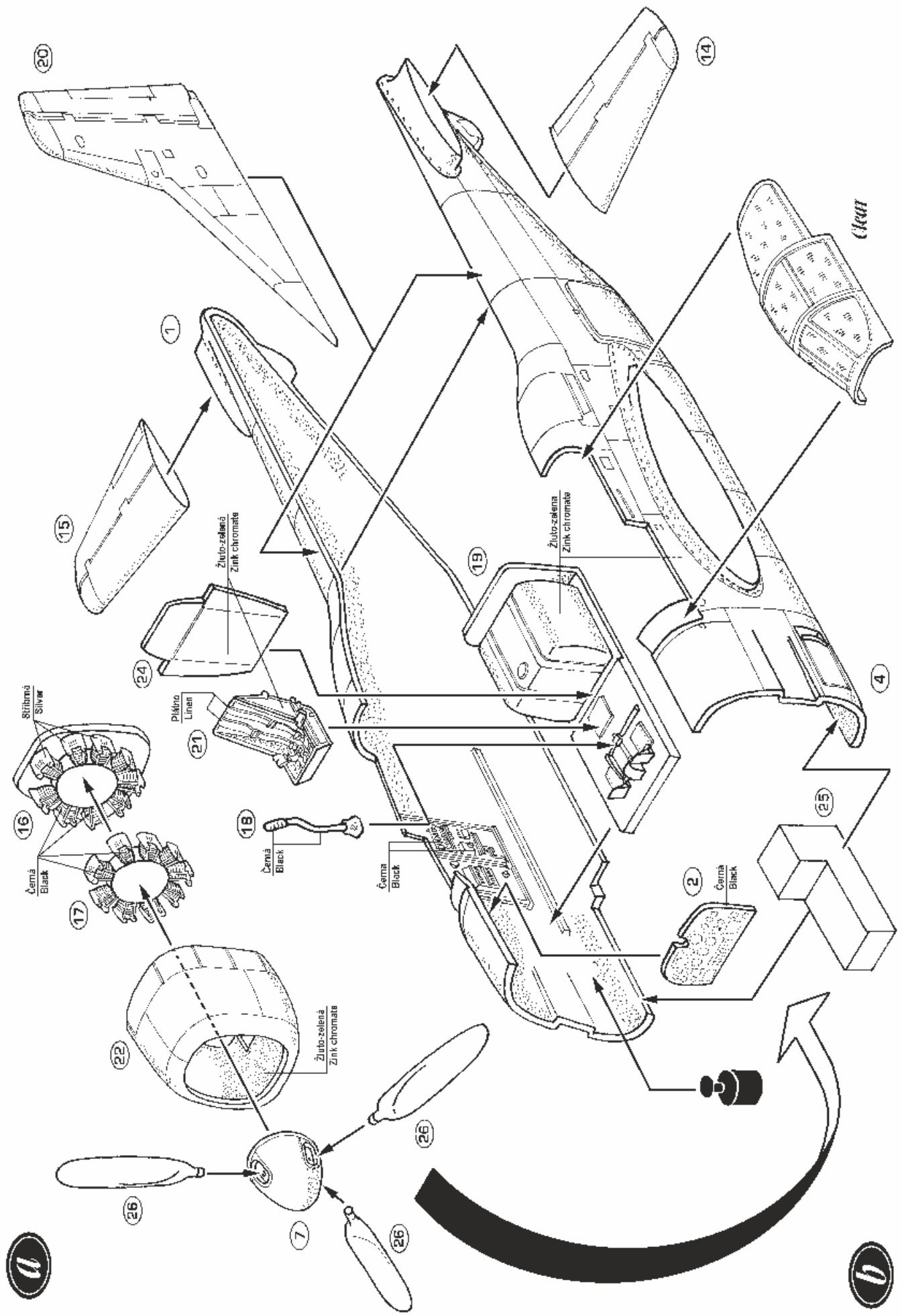
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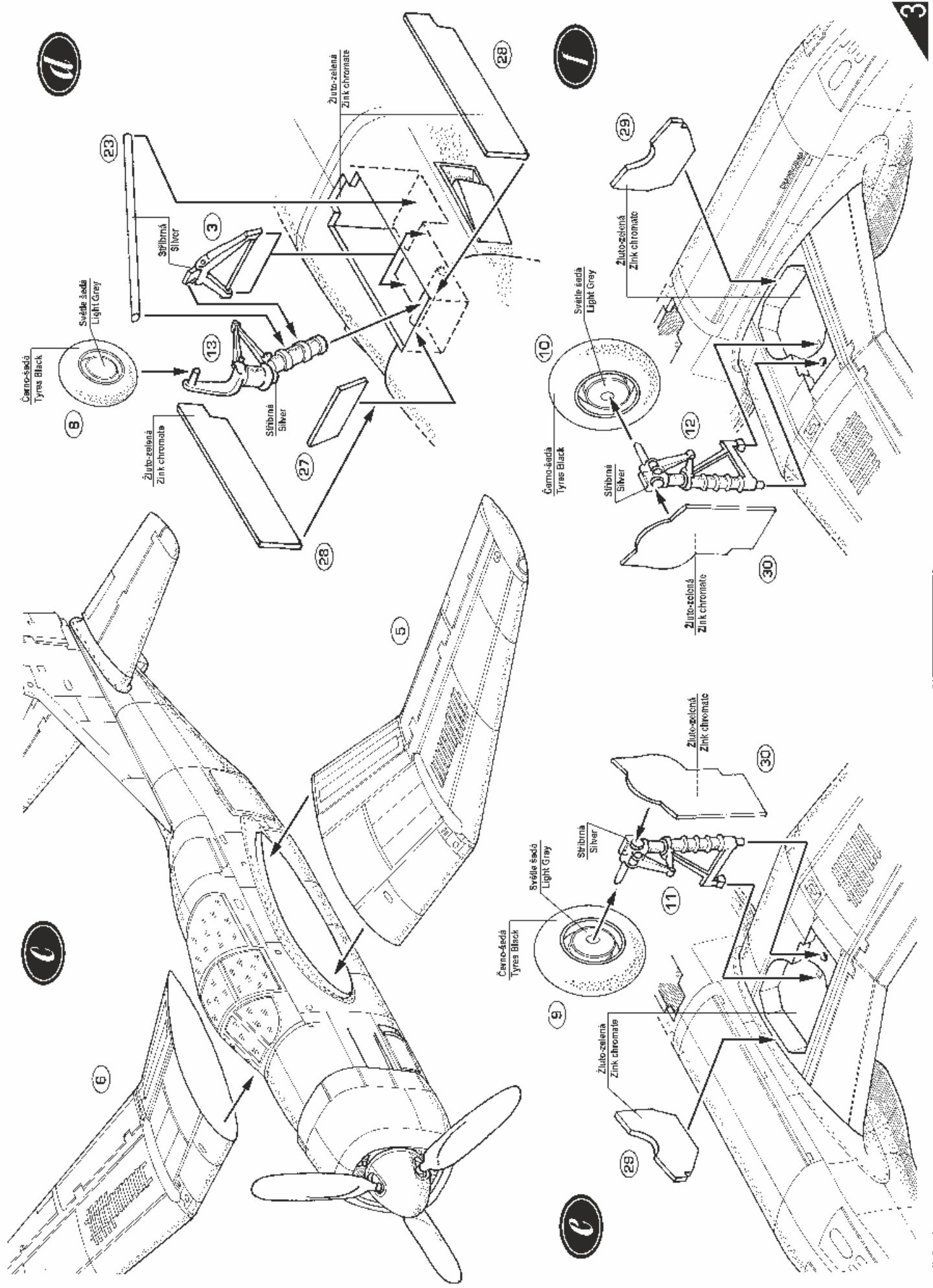
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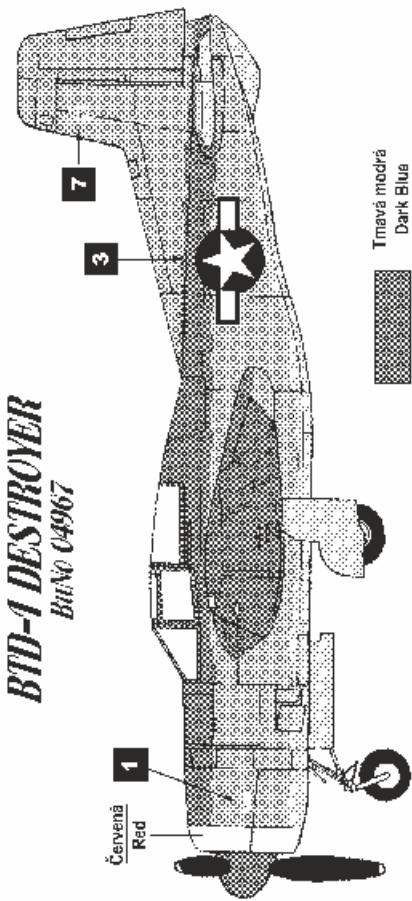
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