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SUBJECT: German Fleet Disposition.

Type	Ship Name	Location	Last Reported Date
BB	TIRPITZ	Langfjord (70°06' N, 22°48' E)	April 2, 1943
BB	SCHARNHORST	Kaafjord ((69°58' N, 23°10' E)	April 2, 1943
BB	GNEISENAU	Gdynia	March 8, 1943
OBB	SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN	Gdynia	March 9, 1943
OBB	SCHLESIEN	Gdynia	March 9, 1943
CV	GRAF ZEPPELIN (1)	Off Swinemuende	April 22, 1943
CA	ADMIRAL SCHEER (2)	Swinemuende	April 22, 1943
CA	LUETZOW	Kaafjord (69°58' N, 23°10' E)	April 2, 1943
CA	SEYDLITZ	Bremen; being dismantled	April 8, 1943
CA	PRINZ EUGEN	Gdynia	March 8, 1943
CA	ADMIRAL HIPPER	Wilhelmshaven; in floating dock	April 5, 1943
CL	NUERNBERG	Off Harstad, Northern Norway	April 3, 1943
CL	LEIPZIG (3)	Probably in central Baltic	March 29, 1943
CL	KOELN	Kiel	April 20, 1943
CL	EMDEN (4)	Unknown	March 20, 1943
DDs			
	6/8 Units	Norway	April 5, 1943
	5/7 Units	German North sea and Baltic Ports	April 5, 1943
	4 Units	Biscay and Channel	April 5, 1943
TORPEDO BOATS			
	2 Units	Norwegian Ports	April 5, 1943
	3 Units	German North Sea Ports	April 5, 1943
ca.	12 Units	German Baltic Ports	April 5, 1943
10/12	Units	Biscay and Channel	April 5, 1943
SSs (5)	THE FOLLOWING FIGURES ARE NOT TO BE REPRODUCED IN ANY FORM:		
	111 Units	French Ports	April 18, 1943
	99 Units	Atlantic Patrols	April 18, 1943
	19 Units	Norwegian Patrols and Northern Waters	April 18, 1943
	12 Units	Operating in Baltic	April 18, 1943
	20 Units	Mediterranean Ports and Patrols	April 18, 1943
	6 Units	Operating in Black Sea	April 18, 1943
	44 Units	Training	April 18, 1943
	140 Units	Trials.	
	451 TOTAL		

NOTES:

(1) GRAF ZEPPELIN previously reported Kiel, March 7, 1943.
(2) ADMIRAL SCHEER previously reported unknown April 5, 1943.
(3) LEIPZIG has not been seen since November 11, 1942, when she was at Gdynia.
(4) EMDEN had not been seen since March 8, 1943, when she was at Gdynia. According to an unconfirmed report EMDEN was at Kiel April 3, 1943.

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(5) SSs previously reported. NOT TO BE REPRODUCED IN ANY FORM:

110	Units	French Ports	April 12, 1943
102	Units	Atlantic Patrols	April 12, 1943
21	Units	Norwegian Patrols and Northern Waters	April 12, 1943
18	Units	Mediterranean Ports and Patrols	April 12, 1943
6	Units	Operating in Black Sea	April 12, 1943
44	Units	Training	April 12, 1943
134	Units	Trials	April 12, 1943
12	Units	Operating in Baltic	April 12, 1943
447	TOTAL		

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Disposition of Italian Fleet

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE	
BB	DORIA	Taranto	April 4, 1943	
BB	DUILIO	"	April 4, 1943	
CL	3 Units	"	April 4, 1943	
DD	11 Units (*)	"	April 4, 1943	
SS	7 Units (*)	"	April 4, 1943	
SS	4 Units (*)	Augusta	March 31, 1943	
DD	5 Units (*)	Messina	March 31, 1943	
DD	13 Units (*)	Palermo	March 31, 1943	(1)
SS	0 Units (*)	"	March 31, 1943	
DD	13 Units (*)	Trapani	March 31, 1943	
SS	1 Unit (*)	"	March 31, 1943	
SS	6 Units	La Maddalena	April 1, 1943	
DD	1 Unit	Salerno	April 5, 1943	
DD	4 Units (*)	Naples	April 5, 1943	
SS	9 Units (*)	" (1 damaged)	April 5, 1943	(2)
DD	0 Units (*)	Castellammare di Stabia	April 5, 1943	
SS	0 Units (*)	" " "	April 5, 1943	
DD	2 Units	Gaeta	April 5, 1943	
CL	1 REGOLO Class	Livorno	April 3, 1943	
CCL	1 Unit (inactive)	"	April 3, 1943	
DD	4 Units (*)	"	April 3, 1943	(3)
BB	LITTORIO (*)	La Spezia	April 18, 1943	
BB	VITTORIO VENETO (*)	"	April 18, 1943	
BB	ROMA (*)	"	April 18, 1943	
CA	2 Units	"	April 14, 1943	
CL	2 Units	" (damaged)	April 14, 1943	
CL	1 REGOLO Class	" (damaged)	April 3, 1943	
CCL	1 Unit	"	April 3, 1943	
DD	19 Units (*)	"	April 3, 1943	(4)
DE	2 ELAN Class (*)	"	April 3, 1943	(5)
SS	9 Units (*)	"	April 3, 1943	

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TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
ACV	ROMA (Ex-Liner)	Genoa (building)	April 3, 1943
ACV	Ex-REGOLO Class CL	" (building)	April 3, 1943
ACV	AUGUSTUS (Ex-Liner)	" (building)	April 3, 1943
DD	3 Units (*)	" (1 damaged)	April 3, 1943
DE	2 Units (*)	"	April 3, 1943
SS	4 Units	"	April 3, 1943
BB	CAVOUR	Trieste (rebuilding)	February 28, 1943
BB	IMPERO	" (building)	February 28, 1943
CL	1 Unit	Pola	February 6, 1943
OCL	1 Unit	"	December 23, 1942
SS	7 Units	"	December 23, 1942
CL	1 REGOLO Class (*)	Ancona	December 23, 1942 (6)
DD	6 Units	Aegean & Dodecanese Is.	March 31, 1943
SS	6 Units (*)	" " " "	March 31, 1943
SS	10 Units	Bordeaux	March 31, 1943
BB	CESARE	Unknown	
CL	1 REGOLO Class	Unknown (damaged)	
DD	17 Units (*)	"	
SS	13 Units	"	

(*) Indicates change since report of April 20, 1943.
(1) As a result of air raids, 1 destroyer has capsized in drydock and another destroyer is awash amidships. A REGOLO Class cruiser fitting out at the Customs Quay was hit and is awash from stern to amidships.
(2) A submarine was damaged during the air raid on April 4 and now lying partially submerged in the Darsena Pollena.
(3) 1 DD is minus its stern.
(4) A new destroyer was reported sunk during air raid at La Spezia on April 18th
(5) Italy has been building a number of escort vessels in recent months which are now appearing in service. In the future they will appear in this list as DE's.
(6) Reconnaissance on December 23, 1942, reported 2 REGOLO cruisers at Ancona nearing completion. One was reported torpedoed and damaged on April 4, 194 the other is now believed ready for service.

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A. COMBINED FLEET

BB - MUSASHI (Flag of CinC, Combined Fleet)

I. First Fleet

Composition	Location
Batdiv 1	4 BB
YAMATO (F)	Probably Truk.
NAGATO)	Probably in home waters.
HYUGA)	
ISE)	
Batdiv 2	4 BB
MUTSU)	Possibly Truk Area.
MUSASHI)	
FUSO)	Probably in home waters.
YAMASHIRO)	
Crudiv 9 (Dissolved?)	2 CL
OI)	Probably Eastern N.E.I.--western New Guinea Area.
KITAGAMI)	
Desron 1	2 CL, 6 DD
KISO (F)	Probably Ominato area.
ABUKUMA	Probably Maizuru.
Desdiv 6	Probably N.W. Pacific.
Desdiv 21	Probably northern Empire.

SUMMARY

8 BB
4 CL
5 DD*

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II. Second Fleet

Composition	Location
Crudiv 4	3 CA
ATAGO (F)	Possibly Truk area.
TAKAO	Possibly Truk area.
MAYA	Possibly Yokosuka area.
Crudiv 5	3 CA
MYOKO	Possibly Truk area
HAGURO	Uncertain.
NACHI	Possibly Yokosuka.
Desron 2	1 CL, 9 DD
ISUZU (F)	Uncertain.
Desdiv 15	Truk area.
Desdiv 24)	Probably Truk-Melanesia area.
Desdiv 31)	

SUMMARY
6 CA
1 CL
6 DD*

* 3 DD out of total of 9 enumerated in composition are considered lost.

III. Third Fleet

ZUIKAKU (Acting Flag)

Composition	Location
Batdiv 3	2 BB
HARUNA)	Possibly Truk area.
KONGO)	
Cardiv 1	3 CV
ZUIKAKU	Possibly Truk area.
SHOKAKU	Probably Kure area, damaged.
ZUIHO	Possibly Truk area.

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Third Fleet (continued)

Composition	Location
	2 CV
Cardiv 2 HAYATAKA (F) HIYAKA	Possibly Truk area.
	1 CV, 1 ACV*, 2 DD
Airplot 50 HOSHO RYUHO* DD YUKAZE DD Unident.	Yokosuka area, training.
UNYO CHUYO	Probably departing Yokosuka for Truk ferrying planes.
OTAKA	Probably Sasebo, overhauling.
	3 ACV
	3 CA
Crudiv 7 KUMANO (F)	Probably Truk.
SUZUYA	Possibly Truk Area.
MOGAMI	Believed sunk.
	2 CA
Crudiv 8 TONE CHIKUMA	Possibly Truk area.
	18 DD
Desron 10 ASANO (F)	Uncertain.
Desdiv 4 Desdiv 10 Desdiv 16 Desdiv 17 Desdiv 61	Rabaul - New Guinea area with some units Truk, some Empire.

SUMMARY

2 BB [illegible] Cam
5 CV 1 CVL
4 ACV 13 DD***

* It is not definitely established whether the RYUHO is a CV or ACV, but it is believed to be the latter.

** 1 CA out of 5 enumerated in composition is considered lost.

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IV. Fourth Fleet

Composition	Location	
CL - KASHIMA (F)	Possibly Jaluit.	1 CL(T)*
TENYO MARU	Uncertain.	1 XCM
Second Surface Escort Unit		6 DD, 1 CM, Misc.
TSUGARU (F)	Uncertain.	
Desdiv 29)	Probably Truk area.	
ASANAGI (DD))		
MINEKAZE (DD))		
HATAKAZE (DD))		
3rd Base Force	13 XPG, 4 XPC, 3 XAM Tarawa, with some units at Nauru, Rabaul and New Guinea.	
4th Base Force	10 XPG, 6 XPC, 3 XAM	Truk area
5th Base Force	10 XPG, 3 XPC, 3 XAM Probably most of these units sent to Rabaul from Saipan.	
6th Base Force	1 CM-TOKIWA, 24 XPG, 8 XAM, 9 XPC, 1 AGS Marshalls with part probably at Makin, Wake, and the Solomons.	

SUMMARY

1 CL(T)*	1 AGS
4 DD**	57 XPG
2 CM	27 XPC
1 XCM	17 XAM
	Misc.

* Formerly CL. Reclassified as Training Cruiser due to slow speed (18 knots) and inferior armor.

** 2 DD out of 6 enumerated in composition are considered lost.

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Fifth Fleet

Composition	Location
Crudiv 21	1 CL
TAKA	Possibly Horomushiro area.
Crudiv 22	3 XCL
AKAGI MARU (F)	Possibly Northwest Pacific.
AWATA MARU	
ASAKA MARU	Possibly Yokosuka area.
Subron 11	? SS
Composition unknown	Northwest Pacific
Northern Patrol Forces	About 45 misc. armed merchant patrol vessels.
Patdivs 1-5 incl.	Patrolling in N.W. Pacific.
Inshore Picket Boat Force	About 100 misc. patrol fishing craft.
	Patrolling off Japan coasts.
Chichijima Area Special Base Force	2 XPG, 4 XAM, 4 PC — Chichijima
Kuriles Defense Force	1 AGS / Misc. others — Kuriles
La Perouse Strait Patrol	1 IB (AT) / Misc. others
OTOMARI	N. Hokkaido waters.
SHIOKAZE	Uncertain.
HACHIJO	Unknown
KAMITSU MARU	Probably N.W. Pacific
	1 DD, 1 CM, 1 XPG
5th Defense Force	Misc. Aux. & small craft — Kiska

SUMMARY

1 CL	4 PC
1 DD	1 AGS
? SS	1 IB (AT)
3 XCL	45 Misc. armed merchant patrol ships
1 CM	100 Misc. patrol fishing craft.
3 XPG	Misc.
4 XAM	

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Sixth Fleet

Composition	Location
KATORI, Flagship	Probably Truk. 1 CL(T)*
	2 XAS, 7 SS
Subron 1	Empire, repairing until about May 1.
I-9 (FF)	Uncertain.
XAS - HEIAN MARU	Uncertain.
XAS - NISSO MARU	Probably Melanesia-New Caledonia-Fiji area.
Subdiv 2	I-31 probably N.W. Pacific; I-32 probably Fiji area.
Subdiv 15	
	1 XAS, 5 SS
Subron 2	Overhauling, probably in Empire.
I-8	
XAS - MANZYU MARU	Some units possibly N. Coral Sea.
Subdiv 7	
	2 XAS, 10 SS
Subron 3	Uncertain.
XAS - YASUKUNI MARU (F)	Possibly Truk.
I-11 (FF)	Uncertain.
XAS - URAKAMI MARU	Some units Bismarks, some probably Empire.
Subdiv 12	Uncertain.
Subdiv 18	
	1 XAS, 9 SS
Subron 8	Probably Empire, overhauling
I-10 (FF)	Possibly Truk.
XAS - HIEI MARU	Probably Bismarks with some units Empire.
Subdiv 1)	
Subdiv 3)	Possibly operating in Indian Ocean.
Subdiv 14	
SOYO MARU	1 XAS Uncertain.

SUMMARY
1 CL(T)* 7 XAS
26 SS**

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** 5 SS out of total of 31 enumerated in composition are considered lost.

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Eighth Fleet

Composition	Location
CA - CHOKAI	Probably Rabaul area
Acting (F)	1 CA
Crudiv 6	1 CA
AOBA	Kavieng, damaged
CL - TATSUTA CL - YUBARI CM - SHIRATAKA	Possibly Empire Probably New Guinea-Bismarcks area 2 CL, 1 CM
CHITOSE	Rabaul-Shortland area
KAMIKAWA MARU	Probably enroute Yokosuka to Truk
KUNIKAWA MARU	Probably Rabaul area
	1 CVS, 2 XCVS
Desron 3	1 CL, 12 DD
SENDAI (F)	Probably Truk-Melanesia area
Desdiv 8	Probably Rabaul area
Desdiv 11	Probably Truk-Melanesia area
Desdiv 19	Probably Eastern N.E.I.
Desron 4	1 CL, 11 DD
NAGARA (F)	Probably Kavieng area
Desdiv 2 Desdiv 9 Desdiv 27 Desdiv 30	Melanesia area with some units Truk, some Empire
Subron 7	1 AS, 6 SS
AS - CHOGEI (F) Subdiv 13 Subdiv 21	Possibly Rabaul-Solomons

1st Special Base Force - Buin	Misc.
2nd Special Base Force - Wewak	3 PC, Misc.
7th Base Force - Lae	Misc.
8th Base Force -	Rabaul with some units in Solomons, Wewak, Madang, Hollandia, and Manokwari 3 TB, 2 AM, 7 PC, 16 XPG, 14 Patrol Boats

SUMMARY

2 CA	5 SS***	1 CM	10 PC
3 CL*	1 CVS	3 TB	1 AS
15 DD**	2 XCVS	2 AM	16 XPG
			14 Patrol Boats

*1 CL out of 4 enumerated in composition is considered lost.
**8 DD " " 23 " " " are " "
***1 SS " " 6 " " " is " "

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Eleventh Air Fleet

Composition	Location
Airflot 21	
Airflot 22	1 APV
FUJIKAWA MARU	Marshalls
Airflot 23	1 XCVS
OKITSU MARU	Uncertain
Airflot 24	1 CVS, 1 APV
KAMOI (F)	Uncertain
HOSHU MARU	Probably Rabaul area.
Airflot 25	1 APV
NARUTO MARU	Probably enroute Yokohama to Rabaul
Airflot 26	1 CVS, 1 APV
AKITSUSHIMA	Uncertain
MOGAMIGAWA MARU	Enroute Yokosuka to Rabaul via Truk
KIMOGAWA MARU KEIYO MARU	Unknown
LYONS MARU	Truk area
	3 APV
Desdiv 34	Possibly Bismarcks-Solomons
	2 DD

SUMMARY

2 DD
2 CVS
1 XCVS
7 APV

Attached to Combined Fleet

CHIYODA NISSHIN NOTORO SAGARA MARU SANUKI MARU SANYO MARU YASUKAWA MARU	Uncertain
KIMIKAWA MARU	Empire
	3 CVS, 5 XCVS

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Composition	Location	
AIKOKU MARU	Enroute Wewak via Palau	
GOKOKU MARU	Uncertain	
KIYOZUMI MARU	Due Singapore April 29 from Kobe.	
KONGO MARU	Unknown	
NOSHIRO MARU	Probably Truk, damaged	
SEICHO MARU	Uncertain	
		6 XCL
Desdiv 7	Uncertain	
		3 DD
Subron 5		1 AS, 2 XAS, 7 SS
AS - KOMAHASHI (F)	Probably N.W. Pacific	
XAS - RIO DE JANEIRO MARU	Uncertain	
XAS - ARATAMA MARU	Uncertain	
Subdiv 19	Uncertain	
Subdiv 28	Uncertain	
Subron 6		1 XAS
XAS - NAGOYA MARU	Uncertain	

Fleet Train

AR - AKASHI	Probably ~~Kavieng~~
ARS - NAGAURA	Probably Rabaul area
AO - SHINKOKU MARU	Enroute Singapore to Empire
AC - IRO	Marshalls
AK - TAKASAGO MARU	Probably Truk
AO - NARUTO	Possibly Rabaul area

SUMMARY

2 DD*	1 AS		
6 SS**	20 AO		
6 XCL	3 AF		
3 CVS	1 AR		
5 XCVS	1 XAF		
3 XAS	20 AH		
	6 ARS		

* One DD of 3 enumerated in composition is considered lost.
**One SS of 7 " " " " " "

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B. SOUTHWEST AREA FLEET

Composition	Location	
IX.	First Southern Expeditionary Fleet	
KASHII (F)	N.E.I.	1 CL(T)*
SHIMUSHU	Uncertain. Probably Malay area	1 CM
9th Special Base Force	– Penang	Misc.
10th Special Base Force	– Singapore	Misc.
11th Special Base Force	– Saigon	Misc.
12th Special Base Force	– Rangoon	Misc.

SUMMARY
1 CL (T)* Misc.
1 CM

X.	Second Southern Expeditionary Fleet	
ASHIGARA	Probably Sasebo, overhauling	1 CA
Crudiv 16	3 CL, 1 CL (T)*	
KINU (F)	Uncertain	
NATORI*	Possibly Singapore	
KUMA	Possibly Truk, damaged	
ISUZU	Uncertain	
21st Special Base Force	– Soerabaya	3 AM & Misc.
22nd Special Base Force	– Balikpapan	Misc.
23rd Special Base Force	– Makassar 1 CM, 2 TB & Misc.	
24th Special Base Force	– Amben, with some units at Toeal and Dobo 1 CM, 2 TB & Misc.	
25th Special Base Force	– Manokwari, with some units Fak Fak, Kaimana, and Nabire 1 CM – WAKATAKA, 4 XPG, 3 XPC, 2 AM, Misc.	
Gunboat Div. 2	NEI waters	4 XPG
Survey Div. 1	NEI waters	2 AGS

SUMMARY

1 CA	8 XPG	2 AGS
3 CL	3 XPC	3 AM
1 CL(T)*	4 TB	Misc.
3 CM		

* Formerly CL. Reclassified as Training Cruiser due to slow speed. (18 knots) and inferior armor.

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XI. Third Southern Expeditionary Fleet

Composition	Location	
YAEYAMA (F)	Philippines	1 CM
31st Special Base Force	Manila	2 AM & Misc.
32nd " " "	Davao	Misc.
Survey Div. 2	Philippines	2 AGS

SUMMARY
1 CM 2 AGS
2 AM Misc.

Attached to Southwest Area Fleet

Composition	Location	
Subdiv 30	Uncertain	3 SS
Torpedo Boat Div 11	One unit Soerabaya area with others possibly Wake	3 TB
First Surface Escort Unit		15 DD, 1 CM, 2 TB, 1 XPG
Desdiv 22	Rabaul area less 2 units Truk, 1 damaged	
Desdiv 13	Escorting South and East China Seas	
Desdiv 32		
MIKAZUKE (DD)		
HOKAZE (DD)		
MATSUKAZE (DD)		
KARUKAZE (DD)		
ASAKAZE (DD)		
MATSUWA (CM)		
PEKING MARU	Unknown	

SUMMARY
12 DD*
3 SS
1 CM
5 TB
1 XPG

* 3 DD out of 15 enumerated in composition are considered lost.

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C. NAVAL FORCES IN CHINA

Composition	Location	
Shanghai Base Force –	Shanghai	1 PR & Misc.
Desdiv 26 –	China coast	3 DD
Nanking Base Force –	Nanking	Misc.
Central China Force		
UJI (F)	China coast	1 PG
Patdiv 11	Yangtze River	11 PR
Hankow Base Force	Hankow	Misc.
Gunboat Div.	China coast	2 PG, 3 XPG
South China Force		
HASHIDATE (F)	Hongkong	1 PG
Minron 1	South China coast	1 PG, 2 AM
Guard Divs 15 & 16	South China coast	6 XPG
Canton Base Force –	Canton	Misc.
Amoy Base Force –	Amoy	Misc.
Hainan Defense Force –	Hainan with 1 TB Bismarcks –	1 TB & Misc.
North China Force		
Gunboat Divs 1,2,13,14 –	Gulf of Pechili	8 XPG
Tsingtao Base Force –	Tsingtao	Misc.

SUMMARY OF NAVAL FORCES IN CHINA AND HOME DEFENSE FORCES

3 Training vessels	1 TB
	1 DM
10 DD	2 AM
4 SS	12 PR
1 AS	17 XPG
2 CM	Misc.
5 PG	

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D. HOME DEFENSE FORCES

Kure Defense Force	Kure 1 Training vessel, Misc. Patrol craft
Kure Naval District Force AS - JINGEI Subdiv 33	Probably home waters
Yokosuka Defense Force	Yokosuka 1 Training vessel, Misc. Desdiv 1 - 2 DD Possibly Solomons
Sasebo Defense Force	Sasebo Misc. Patrol craft
Maizuru Defense Force	Maizuru 1 Training vessel, Misc. Patrol craft
Ominato " "	Ominato 1 DM, 2 CM, Misc. Patrol craft Desdiv 3 - 4 DD Northern Empire

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3 CM	3 CA*	YAKUMO, IZUMO, IWATE
29 DM	4 CL**	NAKA, OYODO, NOSHIRO, YAHAGI
6 AM	10 DD***	
1 APV	45 SS*****	Some units Aleutians, Empire, Truk, S.E. of Gilberts, Rabaul, Solomons, Arafura Sea, New Hebrides-Fiji-New Caledonia area, off Brisbane and mid-Pacific area.

* New CA's believed to have been commissioned in 1942 and probably of a new and heavier design.

**2 CL out of 4 enumerated above are considered lost.

***3 DD " " 10 " " " " "

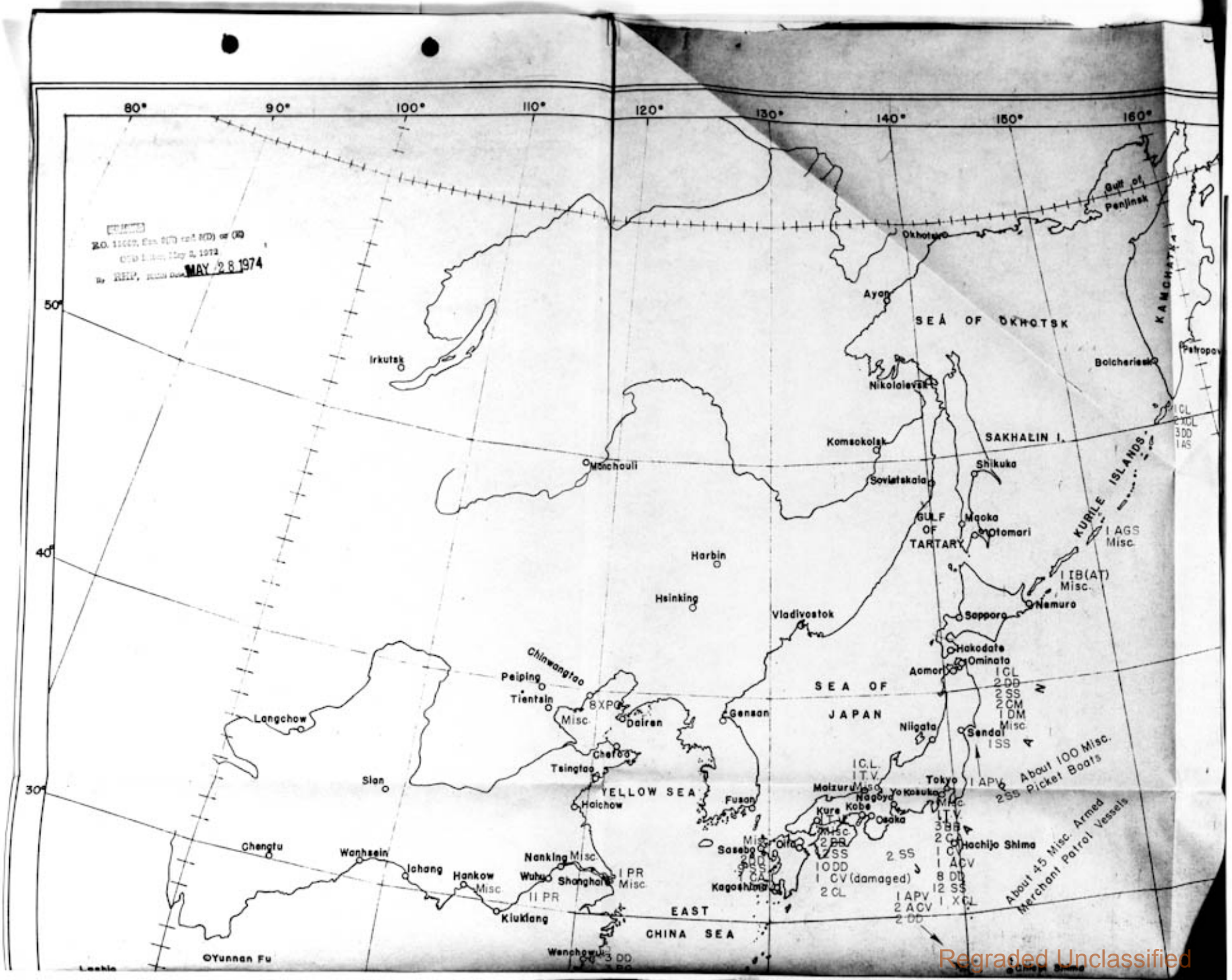
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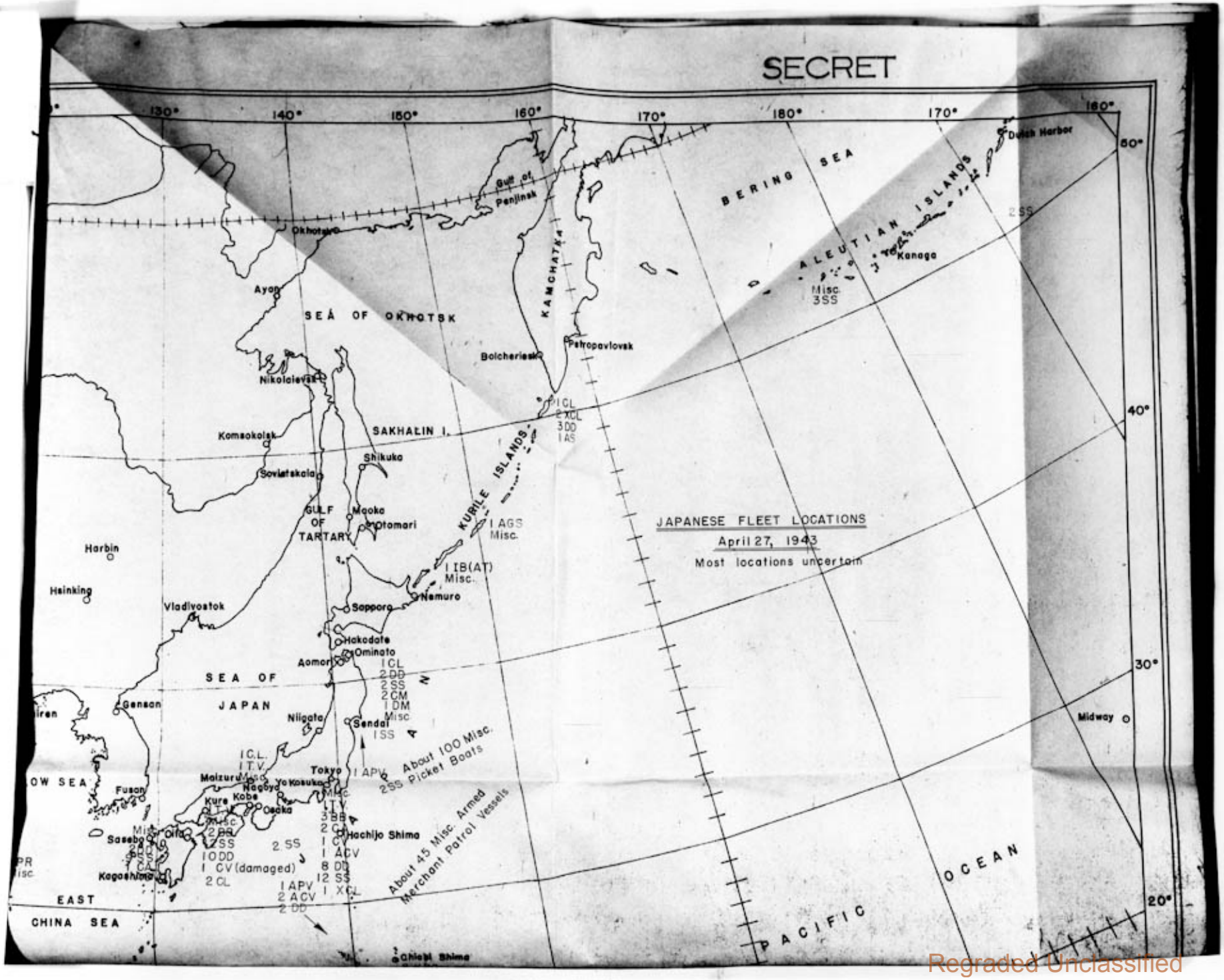


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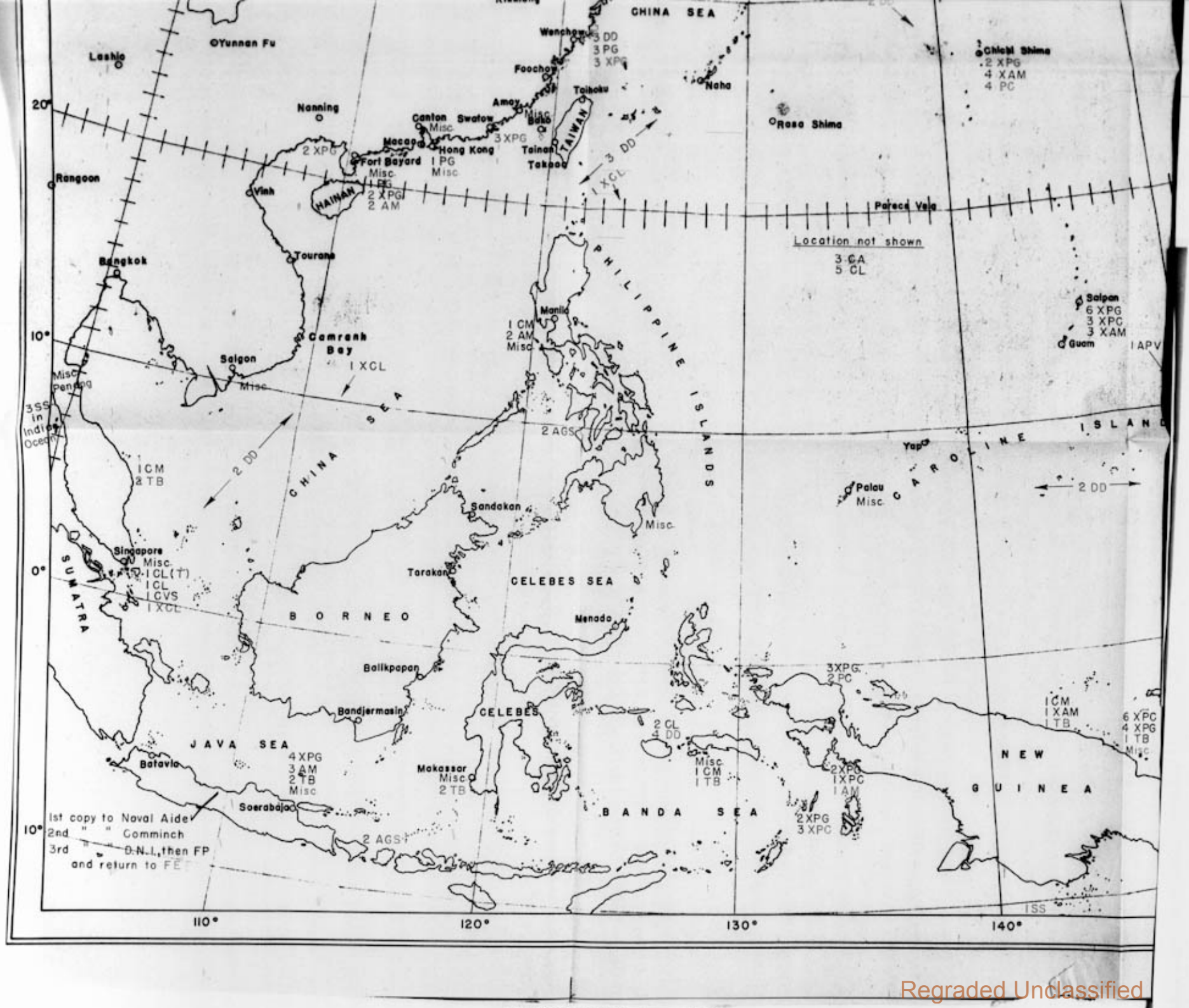
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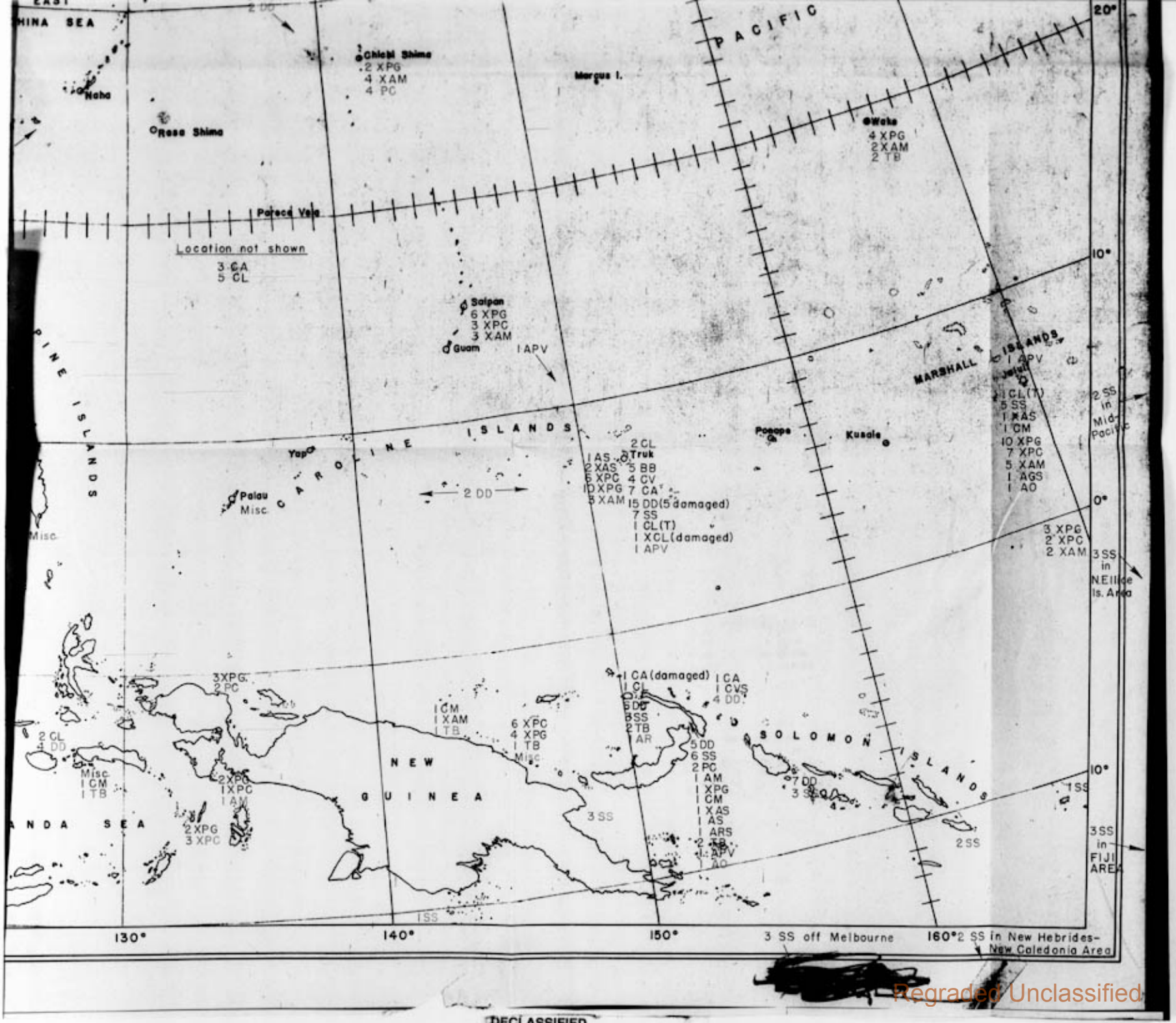
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SUBJECT: German Fleet Disposition.

Type	Ship Name	Location	Last Reported Date
BB	TIRPITZ (1)	Langfjord (70°06' N, 22°48' E)	April 2, 1943
BB	SCHARNHORST (2)	Kaafjord (69°58' N, 23°10' E)	April 2, 1943
BB	GNEISENAU	Gdynia	March 8, 1943
CBB	SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN	Gdynia	March 8, 1943
CBB	SCHLESIEN	Gdynia	March 8, 1943
CV	GRAF ZEPPELIN	Kiel; in floating dock	March 7, 1943
CA	ADMIRAL SCHEER (3)	Unknown	April 5, 1943
CA	LUETZOW (4)	Kaafjord (69°58' N, 23°10' E)	April 2, 1943
CA	SEYDLITZ	Bremen; being dismantled	March 19, 1943
CA	PRINZ EUGEN	Gdynia	March 8, 1943
CA	ADMIRAL HIPPER	Wilhelmshaven; in floating dock	April 5, 1943
CL	NUERNBERG	Harstad, northern Norway	April 2, 1943
CL	LEIPZIG (5)	Probably in central Baltic	March 29, 1943
CL	KOELN	Kiel	March 7, 1943
CL	KOEDEN (6)	Unknown	March 20, 1943
DDs			
	6/8 Units	Norway	March 29, 1943
	5/7 Units	German North Sea and Baltic Ports	March 29, 1943
	4 Units	Biscay and Channel	March 29, 1943
TORPEDO BOATS			
	2 Units	Norwegian Ports	March 29, 1943
	3 Units	German North Sea Ports	March 29, 1943
	ca.12 Units	German Baltic Ports	March 29, 1943
	10/12 Units	Biscay and Channel	March 29, 1943
SSs (7)	THE FOLLOWING FIGURES ARE NOT TO BE REPRODUCED IN ANY FORM:		
	110 Units	French Ports	April 12, 1943
	102 Units	Atlantic Patrols	April 12, 1943
	21 Units	Norwegian Patrols and Northern Waters	April 12,1943
	18 Units	Mediterranean Ports and Patrols	April 12, 1943
	6 Units	Operating in Black Sea	April 12, 1943
	44 Units	Training	April 12, 1943
	134 Units	Trials	April 12, 1943
	12 Units	Operating in Baltic	April 12, 1943
	447 Total		

NOTES:

(1) TIRPITZ previously reported unknown March 27, 1943.
(2) SCHARNHORST previously reported unknown March 27, 1943.
(3) ADMIRAL SCHEER was last seen at Wilhelmshaven March 23, 1943.
(4) LUETZOW previously reported unknown March 27, 1943.
(5) LEIPZIG has not been seen since November 11, 1942, when she was at Gdynia.
(6) KOEDEN has not been seen since March 8, 1943, when she was at Gdynia.

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SUBJECT: German Fleet Disposition (Continued).

NOTES (Continued):

(7) SSs previously reported. NOT TO BE REPRODUCED IN ANY FORM:

109	Units	French Ports	April 5, 1943
100	Units	Atlantic Patrols	April 5, 1943
21	Units	Norwegian Patrols and Northern Waters	April 5, 1943
12	Units	Operating in Baltic	April 5, 1943
18	Units	Mediterranean Ports and Patrols	April 5, 1943
6	Units	Operating in Black Sea	April 5, 1943
44	Units	Training	April 5, 1943
136	Units	Trials	April 5, 1943
446	Total		

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Disposition of Italian Fleet.

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
~~BB~~	DORIA	Taranto	March 15, 1943
~~BB~~	DUILIO	"	March 15, 1943
~~CL~~	3 Units	"	March 21, 1943
~~DD~~	14 Units	"	March 21, 1943
~~SS~~	9 Units	"	March 21, 1943
~~SS~~	3 Units	Augusta	February 28, 1943
~~DD~~	6 Units	Messina	March 12, 1943
~~DD~~	8 Units (*)	Palermo	April 1, 1943
~~SS~~	1 Unit	"	March 7, 1943
~~DD~~	2 Units (*)	Trapani	March 17, 1943
~~SS~~	0 Units (*)	Cagliari	April 1, 1943
~~CA~~	0 Units (*)	La Maddalena	April 13, 1943 (1)
DD	0 Units (*)	" "	March 20, 1943
SS	6 (??) Units (*)	" "	March 20, 1943
DD	12 Units	Naples	March 5, 1943
SS	8 Units	"	March 5, 1943
DD	1 Unit	Castellammare di Stabia	March 4, 1943
SS	1 Unit	" " "	March 4, 1943
~~CL~~	1 REGOLO Class (*)	Livorno	April 1, 1943 (2)
~~OCL~~	1 Unit (Inactive)	"	April 1, 1943
DD	6 Units (*)	" (1 damaged)	April 1, 1943
SS	0 Units (*)	"	April 1, 1943
~~BB~~	0 Units (*)	La Spezia	April 16, 1943 (3)
~~CA~~	2 Units (*)	" "	April 14, 1943 (1)
~~CL~~	2 Units (*)	" " (damaged)	April 14, 1943 (4)
~~CL~~	1 REGOLO Class	" " (damaged)	April 1, 1943 (5)
OCL	1 Unit	" "	April 1, 1943
DD	17 Units (*)	" "	April 16, 1943 (6)
SS	10 Units (*)	" "	April 1, 1943
~~ACV~~	ROMA (Ex-Liner)	Genoa (building)	March 5, 1943
~~ACV~~	Ex-REGOLO Class CL	" (building)	March 5, 1943
~~ACV~~	AUGUSTUS (Ex-Liner)	" (building)	March 5, 1943
~~CL~~	0 Units (*)	"	April 14, 1943
DD	6 Units (*)	"	March 5, 1943
SS	4 Units	" (2 in drydock)	March 5, 1943
~~BB~~	CAVOUR	Trieste	February 28, 1943
BB	IMPERO	" (building)	February 28, 1943

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Disposition of Italian Fleet (cont'd)

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE	
CL	1 Unit	Pola	February 6, 1943	
OCL	1 Unit	"	December 23, 1942	
SS	7 Units	"	December 23, 1942	
DD	6 Units	Aegean & Dodecanese Is.	February 28, 1943	
SS	5 Units	" " " "	February 28, 1943	
SS	9 Units	Bordeaux	February 28, 1943	
BB	CESARE	Unknown (probably in Adriatic)		
BB	ROMA (*)	Unknown		
BB	LITTORIO (*)	Unknown		
BB	VITTORIO VENETO (*)	Unknown		
CL	REGOLO Class (*)	Unknown (damaged)		(7)
OCL	0 Units (*)	Unknown		(8)
DD	20 Units (*)	Unknown		(9)
SS	13 Units (*)	Unknown		

(*) Indicates change since report of April 13, 1943.

(1) GORIZIA now at Spezia in seriously damaged condition following air attacks of April 10 and 13.

(2) REGOLO Class cruiser at Livorno believed ready for service.

(3) The 35,000-ton battleships LITTORIO, VITTORIO VENETO and ROMA departed Spezia in company with 6 DD's on April 16th.

(4) Believed to be 6" cruisers SAVOIA and MONTECUCCOLI previously at Genoa.

(5) REGOLO Class cruiser damaged Nov. 8, 1942 now fitting new bow from hull of REGOLO cruiser towed from Livorno.

(6) This figure includes a French destroyer of the TIGRE class believed to be the PANTHERE and two POMONE Class torpedo-boats from Toulon. In addition two ELAN class escort vessels from Bizerte are also at Spezia.

(7) A REGOLO Class cruiser was seriously damaged by a British submarine off South Italy according to report of April 4th. Apparently this vessel was from Ancona where two REGOLO Class cruisers were reported nearing completion on December 23, 1942.

(8) The old light cruiser is in the Northeast Basin at Livorno and has been dismantled.

(9) Two Italian destroyers were sunk by two British destroyers on the night of April 15/16.

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Disposition of French (Vichy) Fleet

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
BB	DUNKERQUE	Toulon (damaged)	March 9, 1943
BB	STRASBOURG	" (damaged)	March 9, 1943
BB	PROVENCE	" (damaged)	March 9, 1943
CA	4 Units	" (all damaged)	March 9, 1943
CL	3 Units	" (all damaged)	March 9, 1943
DL	17 Units (*)	" (14 damaged)	March 9, 1943 (1)
DD	15 Units	" (12 damaged)	March 9, 1943
SS	7 Units	" (2 damaged)	March 9, 1943
DL	1 Unit	Bizerte (damaged)	December 21, 1942
SS	9 Units	"	December 21, 1942
CL	1 Unit	Saigon	December 21, 1942
SS	1 Unit	"	December 21, 1942
DL	1 Unit (*)	Spezia, Italy	April 1, 1943 (1)
DD	2 Units (*)	" "	April 1, 1943 (2)
DD	1 Unit (*)	Unknown	February 28, 1943
SS	5 Units	"	

(*) Denotes changes since April 13th report.

(1) PANTHERE reported March 30 to have departed Toulon; a DL of this class reported at Spezia, Italy, April 1.

(2) 2 DD's (POMONE Class) reported at Spezia, Italy, April 1. 3 DD's of this class, formerly based on Bizerte, were reported February 28 to have departed Bizerte, presumably for Italy.

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French Naval Vessels under Fighting French or Allied Operational Control

BB RICHELIEU
BB JEAN BART
OBB COURBET
OBB PARIS
CL GEORGES LEYGUES
CL GLOIRE
CL MONTCALM
DL 7 Units (3 damaged)
DD 13 Units (6 damaged)
SS 23 Units (1 possibly sunk)

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Immobilized French Naval Vessels

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
~~OBB~~	LORRAINE	Alexandria	March 20, 1943
~~CA~~	3 Units	"	March 20, 1943
~~CL~~	1 Unit	"	March 20, 1943
DD	3 Units	"	March 20, 1943
SS	1 Unit	"	March 20, 1943
CV	BEARN	Martinique	March 17, 1943
~~CL~~	1 Unit	"	February 19, 1943
~~CL~~	1 Unit	Guadeloupe	March 23, 1943
SS	1 Unit	Cartagena, Spain	April 8, 1943 (1)

(1) Negotiations reported underway for transfer of IRIS to Spain

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A. COMBINED FLEET

BB - MUSASHI (Flag of CinC, Combined Fleet)

I. First Fleet

Composition	Location
Batdiv 1	4 BB
YAMATO (F)	Probably Truk.
NAGATO	Probably in home waters.
HYUGA	
ISE	
Batdiv 2	4 BB
MUTSU	Possibly Truk Area.
MUSASHI	
FUSO	Probably in home waters.
YAMASHIRO	
Crudiv 9 (Dissolved?)	2 CL
OI	Eastern N.E.I.--western New Guinea Area.
KITAGAMI	
Desron 1	2 CL, 6 DD
KISO (F)	Probably Ominato area.
ABAKUMA	Probably Maizuru.
Desdiv 6	Probably N.W. Pacific; except Hibiki escorting Otaka.
Desdiv 21	Probably northern Empire.

SUMMARY
8 BB
4 CL
5 DD*

* 1 DD out of 6 enumerated in composition is considered lost.

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II. Second Fleet

Composition	Location
Crudiv 4	3 CA
ATAGO (F)	Probably Truk area.
TAKAO	Possibly Truk area.
MAYA	Probably Yokosuka.
Crudiv 5	3 CA
MYOKO	Possibly Truk area
HAGURO)	Uncertain.
NACHI)	
Desron 2	1 CL, 9 DD
JINTSU (F)	Uncertain.
Desdiv 15	Truk area.
Desdiv 24)	Truk-Melanesia area.
Desdiv 31)	

SUMMARY
6 CA
1 CL
6 DD*

* 3 DD out of total of 9 enumerated in composition are considered lost.

III. Third Fleet

ZUIKAKU (Acting Flag)

Composition	Location
Batdiv 3	2 BB
HARUNA)	Probably Truk area.
KONGO)	
Cardiv 1	3 CV
ZUIKAKU	Probably Truk area.
SHOKAKU	Probably Kure area, damaged.
ZUIHO	Probably Truk area.

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Third Fleet (continued)

Composition	Location
Cardiv 2	2 CV
HAYATAKA (F))	Probably Truk area.
HITAKA)	
Cardiv 50	2 ACV*, 2 DD
OTAKA	Departed Truk April 16 for Yokosuka.
RYUHO*	Yokosuka area, training.
DD YUKAZE)	Uncertain.
DD Unident.)	
UNYO	Empire.
CHUYO	Departed Truk April 16 for Yokosuka.
HOSHO	Yokosuka area, training.
	1 CV, 2 ACV
Crudiv 7	3 CA
KUMANO (F)	Due Truk April 21 from Sasebo.
SUZUYA	Kure, overhauling.
MOGAMI	Believed sunk.
Crudiv 8	2 CA
TONE)	Probably Truk area.
CHIKUMA)	
Desron 10	18 DD
AGANO (F)	Uncertain.
Desdiv 4	Truk area with Arashi Empire.
Desdiv 10	Rabaul area.
Desdiv 16	Rabaul area with 1 unit Truk.
Desdiv 17	Rabaul-New Guinea with one unit Empire.
Desdiv 61	Possibly Truk less Akitsuki.

SUMMARY

2 BB	4 CA**
6 CV	1 CL
4 ACV	13 DD***

* It is not definitely established whether the RYUHO is a CV or ACV, but it is believed to be the latter.

** 1 CA out of 5 enumerated in composition is considered lost.

*** 7 DD " " 20 " " " are " "

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IV. Fourth Fleet

Composition	Location	
CL - KASHIMA (F)	Possibly Jaluit.	1 CL(T)*
TENYO MARU	Uncertain.	1 XCM
Second Surface Escort Unit		6 DD, 1 CM
TSUGARU (F)	Uncertain.	
Desdiv 29)	Probably Truk area.	
ASANAGI (DD))		
MINEKAZE (DD))		
HATAKAZE (DD))		

3rd Base Force — 13 XPG, 4 XPC, 3 XAM
Command at Tarawa. Probably most units sent to Rabaul and N.W. New Guinea from Palao.

4th Base Force — 10 XPG, 6 XPC, 3 XAM Truk area

5th Base Force — 10 XPG, 8 XPC, 3 XAM
Probably most of these units sent to Rabaul from Saipan.

6th Base Force — 1 CM-TOKIWA, 24 XPG, 8 XAM, 9 XPC, 1 AGS
Marshalls with part probably at Makin, Wake, and the Solomons.

SUMMARY

1 CL(T)*	1 AGS
4 DD**	57 XPG
2 CM	27 XPC
1 XCM	17 XAM

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V. Fifth Fleet

Composition	Location
Crudiv 21	1 CL
KAMA	Probably Horomushiro area.
Crudiv 22	3 XCL
AKAGI MARU (F))	Probably Northwest Pacific.
AWATA MARU)	
ASAKA MARU	Possibly Yokosuka area.
Subron 11	? SS
Composition unknown	Northwest Pacific
Northern Patrol Forces	About 45 misc. armed merchant patrol vessels.
Patdivs 1-5 incl.	Patrolling in N.W. Pacific.
Inshore Picket Boat Force	About 100 misc. patrol fishing craft.
	Patrolling off Japan coasts.
Chichijima Area Special Base Force	2 XPG, 4 XAM, 4 PC — Chichijima
Kuriles Defense Force	1 AGS / Misc. others — Kuriles
La Perouse Strait Patrol	1 IB (AT) / Misc. others
OTOMARI	N. Hokkaido waters.
SHIOKAZE	Uncertain.
HACHIJO	Unknown
KAMITSU MARU	Probably N.W. Pacific
	1 DD, 1 CM, 1 XPG
5th Defense Force	Misc. Aux. & small craft — Kiska

SUMMARY

1 CL	4 PC
1 DD	1 AGS
? SS	1 IB (AT)
3 XCL	45 Misc. armed merchant patrol ships
1 CM	100 Misc. patrol fishing craft.
3 XPG	Misc.
4 XAM	

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VI. Sixth Fleet

Composition	Location
KATORI, Flagship	Probably Truk. 1 CL(T)*
Subron 1	2 XAS, 7 SS
I-9 (FF)	Empire, repairing until about May 1.
XAS - HEIAN MARU	Uncertain.
XAS - NISSO MARU	Uncertain.
Subdiv 2	Probably Melanesia-New Caledonia-Fiji area.
Subdiv 15	I-31 probably N.W. Pacific; I-32 probably Fiji area.
Subron 2	1 AS, 1 XAS, 5 SS
I-8	Overhauling, probably in Empire.
AS - CHOGEI (F)	
XAS - MANZYU MARU	
Subdiv 7	I-5 and I-6 possibly N. Coral Sea; I-2 and I-7 Yokosuka overhauling.
Subron 3	2 XAS, 10 SS
XAS - YASUKUNI MARU (F)	Uncertain.
I-11 (FF)	Possibly Truk.
XAS - URAKAMI MARU	Uncertain.
Subdiv 12	Some units Bismarks, some probably Empire.
Subdiv 18	Uncertain.
Subron 8	1 XAS, 9 SS
I-10 (FF)	Probably Empire, overhauling
XAS - HIEI MARU	Possibly Truk.
Subdiv 1	I-16 Yokosuka; I-20 probably Bismarks.
Subdiv 3	Possibly Bismarks.
Subdiv 14	Probably operating in Indian Ocean.
SOYO MARU	1 XAS Uncertain.

SUMMARY

1 CL(T)*	1 AS
26 SS**	7 XAS

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** 5 SS out of total of 31 enumerated in composition are considered lost.

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VII. Eighth Fleet

Composition	Location
CA - CHOKAI	Probably Rabaul area
Acting (F)	1 CA
Crudiv 6	1 CA
AOBA	Kavieng, damaged.
CL - TATSUTA	Possibly Empire
CL - YUBARI	Uncertain
CM - SHIRATAKA	New Guinea-Bismarcks area
	2 CL, 1 CM
CHITOSE)	Rabaul-Shortland area
KAMIKAWA MARU)	
KUNIKAWA MARU	Truk enroute Rabaul from Yokosuka
KIYOKAWA MARU	Uncertain
	1 CVS, 3 XCVS
Desron 3	1 CL, 12 DD
SENDAI (F)	Probably Truk-Melanesia area
Desdiv 8	Rabaul area
Desdiv 11	Truk Melanesia area
Desdiv 19	Eastern N.E.I.
Desron 4	1 CL, 10 DD
NAGARA (F)	Kavieng area
Desdiv 2	Bismarcks with SAMIDARE Truk
Desdiv 9	Empire
Desdiv 27	Truk area with SHIGURE escorting OTAKA
Desdiv 30	MOCHIZUKI Bougainville Straits
Subron 7	1 AS, 5 SS
AS - JINGEI (F)	Possibly Truk
Subdiv 13)	Possibly Solomons
Subdiv 21)	

1st Special Base Force - Buin	Misc.
2nd Special Base Force - Wewak	3 PC, Misc.
7th Base Force - Lae	Misc.
8th Base Force -	Rabaul with some units in Solomons, Wewak, Madang, Hollandia, and Manokwari
	3 TB, 2 AM, 7 PC, 16 XPG, 14 Patrol Boats

SUMMARY

2 CA	4 SS***	1 CM	10 PC
3 CL*	1 CVS	3 TB	1 AS
15 DD**	3 XCVS	2 AM	16 XPG
			14 Patrol Boats

* 1 CL out of 4 enumerated in composition is considered lost.
** 7 DD " " 22 " " " are " "
*** 1 SS " " 5 " " " is " "

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VIII. Eleventh Air Fleet ULTRA

Composition	Location
Airflot 21	
Airflot 22	1 APV
FUJIKAWA MARU	Probably Marshalls
Airflot 23	1 XCVS
OKITSU MARU	Uncertain
Airflot 24	1 CVS, 1 APV
KAMOI (F)	Uncertain
SOSHU MARU	Departed Kisaratsu April 14 for Rabaul, probably via Truk.
Airflot 25	1 APV
NARUTO MARU	Probably enroute Yokohama to Rabaul
Airflot 26	1 CVS, 1 APV
AKITSUSHIMA	Uncertain
NOGAMIGAWA MARU	Departs Yokosuka April 20 to ferry planes from Truk to Rabaul.
KAMOGAWA MARU KEIYO MARU EYONS MARU	Unknown Possibly Saipan area 3 APV
Desdiv 34	Possibly Bismarcks-Solomons 2 DD

SUMMARY
2 DD
2 CVS
1 XCVS
7 APV

Attached to Combined Fleet

CHIYODA	Uncertain
NISSHIN	Uncertain
NOTORO	Probably Singapore
KIMIKAWA MARU	Uncertain
SAGARA MARU	Uncertain
SANUKI MARU	Uncertain
SANYO MARU	Uncertain
YASUKUNI MARU	Uncertain

3 CVS, 5 XCVS

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Composition	Location
AIKOKU MARU	Enroute Wewak via Palau
GOKOKU MARU	Uncertain
KIYOZUMI MARU	Due Singapore April 29 from Kobe.
KONGO MARU	Unknown
MUSHIRO MARU	Probably Truk, damaged
SEIICHO MARU	Uncertain
	6 XCL
Desdiv 7	SAZANAMI escorting OTAKA
	3 DD
Subron 5	1 AS, 2 XAS, 7 SS
AS - KOMAHASHI(F)	Probably N.W. Pacific
XAS - RIO DE JANEIRO MARU	Uncertain
XAS - ARATAMA MARU	
Subdiv 19	
Subdiv 28	
Subron 6	1 XAS
XAF - NAGOYA MARU	Uncertain

Fleet Train

AR - AKASHI	Solomons
ARS - NAGURA	Rabaul area
AO - SHINKOKU MARU	Probably enroute Singapore to Empire
AH - TAKASAGO MARU	Enroute Empire to Truk, due April 24

SUMMARY

2 DD*	1 AS		
6 SS**	20 AO		
6 XCL	3 AF		
3 CVS	1 AR		
5 XCVS	1 XAF		
3 XAS	20 AH		
	7 ARS		

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** One SS of 7 " " " " " "

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B. SOUTHWEST AREA FLEET

Composition	Location	ULTRA
IX.	First Southern Expeditionary Fleet	
KASHII (F)	N.E.I.	1 CL (T)*
SHIMUSHU	Uncertain. Probably Malay area	1 CM
9th Special Base Force	– Penang	Misc.
10th Special Base Force	– Singapore	Misc.
11th Special Base Force	– Saigon	Misc.
12th Special Base Force	– Rangoon	Misc.

SUMMARY
1 CL(T)* Misc.
1 CM

X.	Second Southern Expeditionary Fleet	
ASHIGARA	Possibly Soerabaya area; scheduled for overhaul at Sasebo April-May	1 CA
Crudiv 16	3 CL, 1 CL (T)	
KINU (F)	Possibly North Solomons area	
NATORI*	Possibly Singapore	
KUMA	Possibly Truk, damaged	
ISUZU	Possibly North Solomons area	
21st Special Base Force	– Soerabaya	3 AM & Misc.
22nd Special Base Force	– Balikpapan	Misc.
23rd Special Base Force	– Makassar 1 CM, 2 TB & Misc.	
24th Special Base Force	– Ambon, with some units at Toeal 1 CM, 2 TB & Misc.	
25th Special Base Force	– Manokwari, with some units Fak Fak, Kaimana, and Nabire 1 CM – WAKATAKA, 4 XPG, 3 XPC, 2 AM, Misc.	
Gunboat Div 2	NEI waters	4 XPG
Survey Div. 1	NEI waters	2 AGS

SUMMARY

1 CA	8 XPG	2 AGS
3 CL	3 XPC	3 AM
1 CL(T)*	4 TB	Misc.
3 CM		

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XI. Third Southern Expeditionary Fleet

Composition	Location	
YAEYAMA (F)	Philippines	1 CM
31st Special Base Force	Manila	2 AM & Misc.
32nd " " "	Davao	Misc.
Survey Div. 2	Philippines	2 AGS

SUMMARY
1 CM 2 AGS
2 AM Misc.

Attached to Southwest Area Fleet

Composition	Location	
Subdiv 30	Uncertain	3 SS
Torpedo Boat Div 11	One unit Soerabaya area with others possibly Wake	3 TB
First Surface Escort Unit		15 DD, 1 CM, 2 TB, 1 XPG
Desdiv 22	Rabaul area less 2 units Truk, 1 damaged	
Desdiv 13	Escorting South and East China Seas	
Desdiv 32		
MIKATSUKE (DD)		
HOKAZE (DD)		
MATSUKAZE (DD)		
KARUKAZE (DD)		
ASAKAZE (DD)		
MATSUWA (CM)		
PEKING MARU	Unknown	

SUMMARY
12 DD*
3 SS
1 CM
5 TB
1 XPG

* 3 DD out of 15 enumerated in composition are considered lost.

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Composition	Location	
Shanghai Base Force –	Shanghai	1 PR & Misc.
Desdiv 26	China coast	3 DD
Nanking Base Force –	Nanking	Misc.
Central China Force		
UJI (F)	China coast	1 PG
Patdiv 11	Yangtze River	11 PR
Hankow Base Force	Hankow	Misc.
Gunboat Div.	China coast	2 PG, 3 XPG
South China Force		
HASHIDATE (F)	Hongkong	1 PG
Minron 1	South China coast	1 PG, 2 AM
Guard Divs 15 & 16	South China coast	6 XPG
Canton Base Force –	Canton	Misc.
Amoy Base Force –	Amoy	Misc.
Hainan Defense Force –	Hainan with 1 TB Bismarcks–	1 TB & Misc.
North China Force		
Gunboat Divs 1,2,13,14 –	Gulf of Pechili	8 XPG
Tsingtao Base Force –	Tsingtao	Misc.

SUMMARY OF N.V.L FORCES IN CHINA AND HOME DEFENSE FORCES

3 Training vessels	1 TB
9 DD	1 DM
3 SS	2 AM
2 CM	12 PR
5 PG	17 XPG
	Misc.

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D. HOME DEFENSE FORCES ULTRA

Kure Defense Force	Kure 1 Training vessel, Misc. Patrol craft
Kure Naval District Force Subdiv 33	Probably home waters
Yokosuka Defense Force	Yokosuka 1 Training vessel, Misc. Desdiv 1 - 2 DD Possibly Solomons
Sasebo Defense Force	Sasebo Misc. Patrol craft
Maizuru Defense Force	Maizuru 1 Training vessel, Misc. Patrol craft.
Ominato " "	Ominato 1 DM, 2 CM, Misc. Patrol craft Desdiv 3 - 4 DD Northern Empire

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3 CM	3 CA*	YAKUMO, IZUMO, IWATE
29 DM	4 CL**	NAKA, OYODO, NOSHIRO, YAHAGI
6 AM	11 DD***	Some units in Melanesia area
	47 SS****	Some units Aleutians, Empire, Truk, S.E. of Gilberts, Rabaul, Solomons, Arafura Sea, New Hebrides-Fiji-New Caledonia area, off Sydney and mid-Pacific area.

* New CA's believed to have been commissioned in 1942 and probably of a new and heavier design.

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****1 SS " " 47 " " " " "

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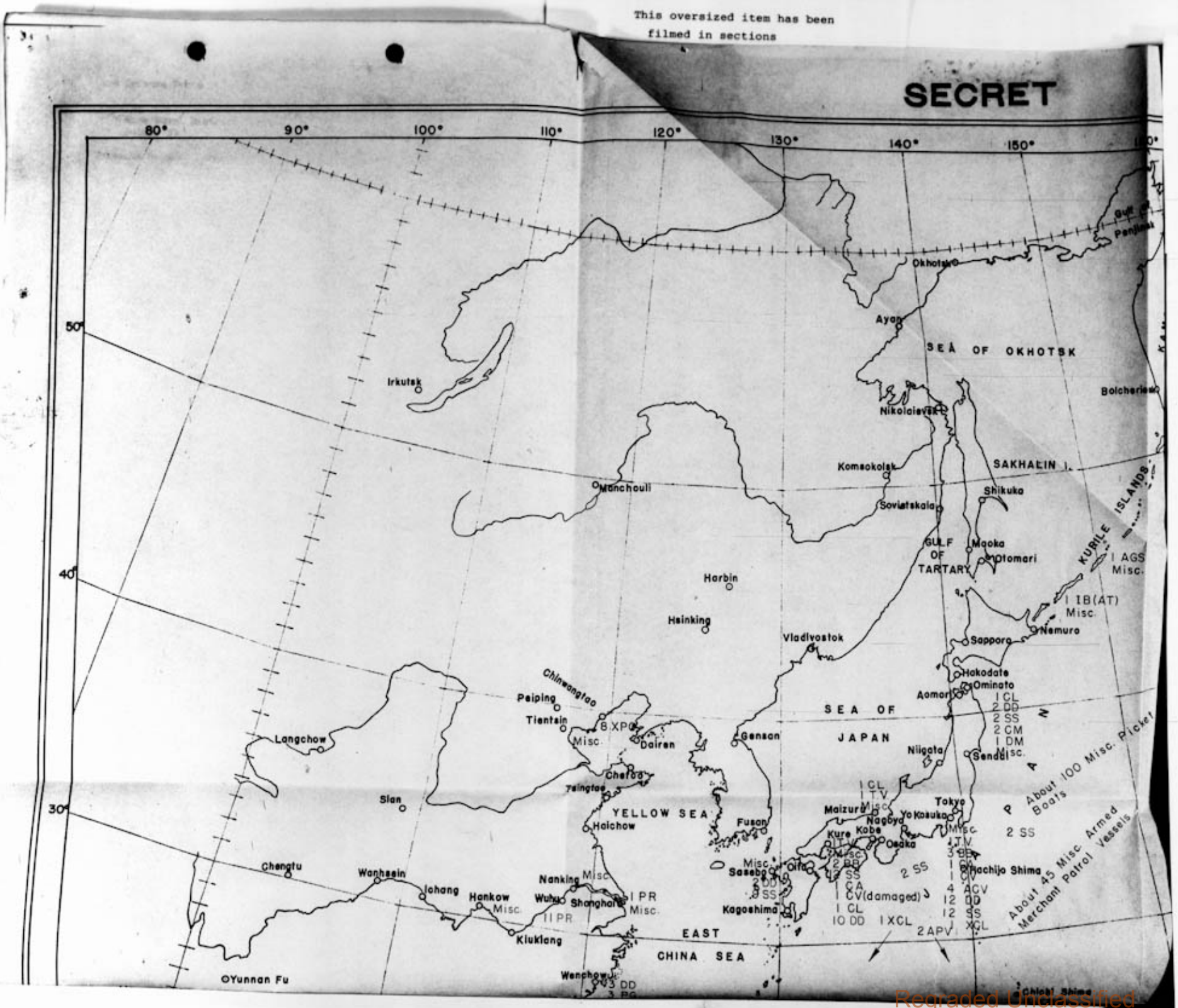
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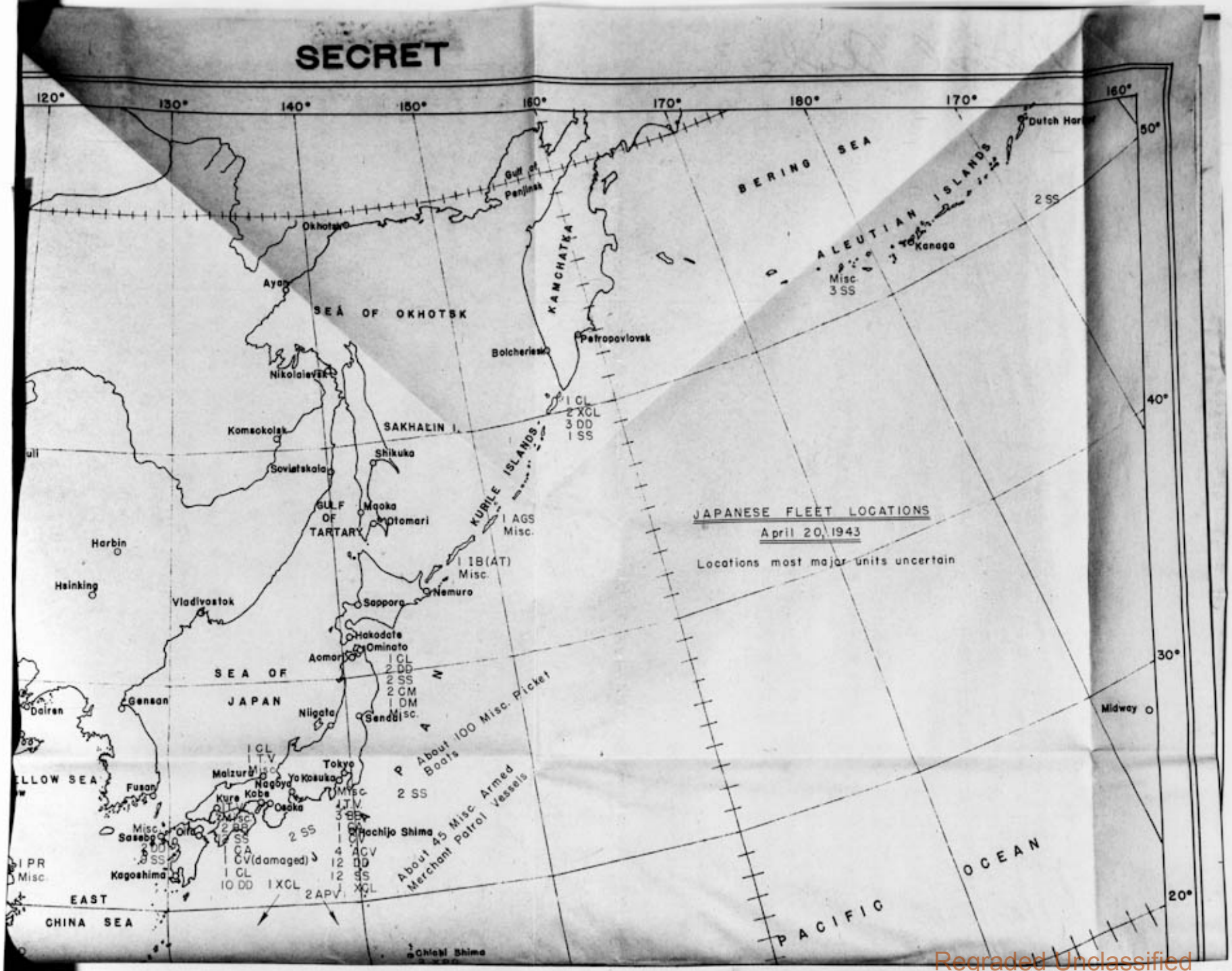
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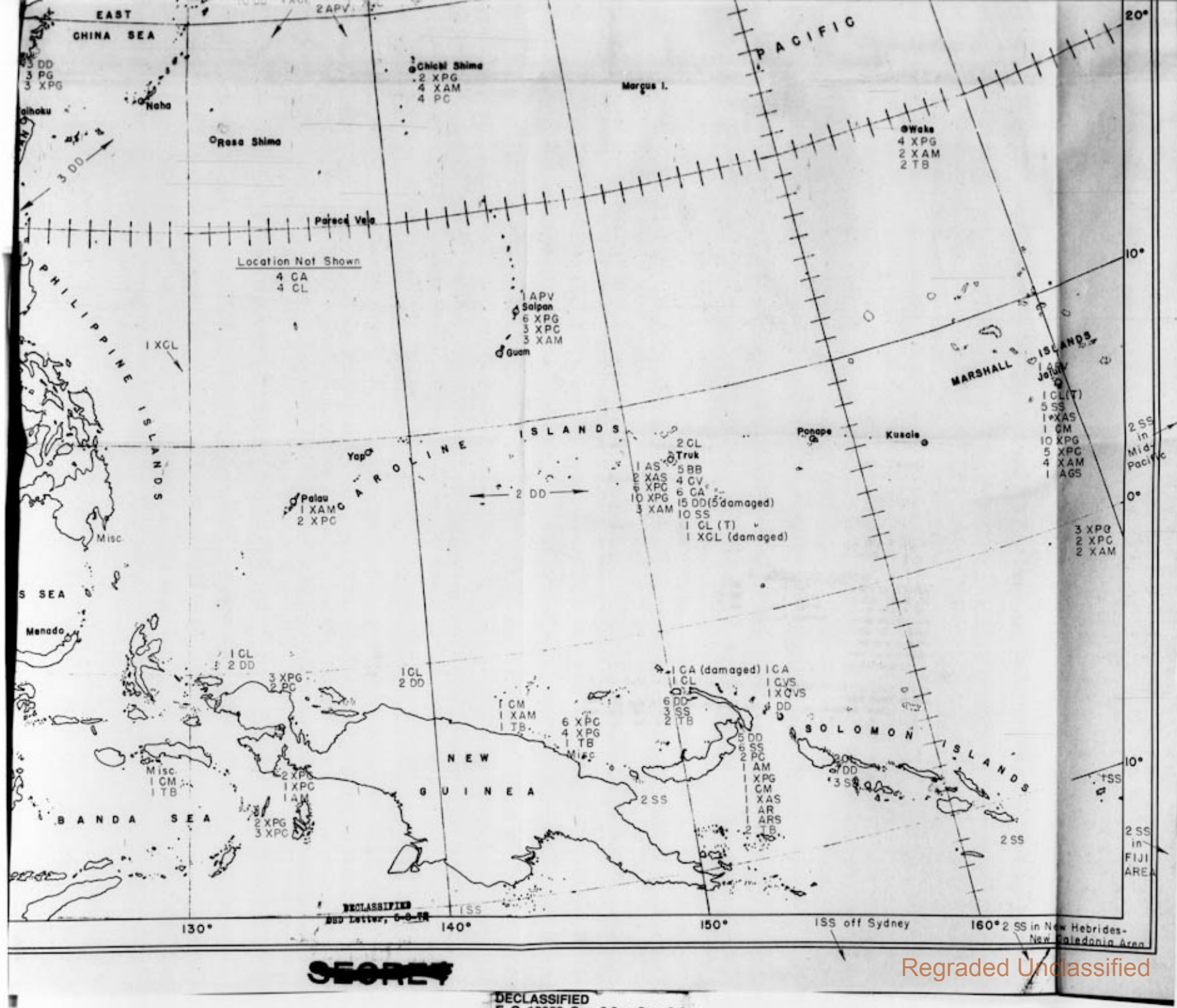
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April 13, 1943.

SUBJECT: German Fleet Disposition.

Type	Ship Name	Location	Last Reported Date
BB	TIRPITZ (1)	Unknown	March 27, 1943
BB	SCHARNHORST (2)	Unknown	March 27, 1943
BB	GNEISENAU	Gdynia	March 8, 1943
OBB	SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN	Gdynia	March 8, 1943
OBB	SCHLESIEN	Gdynia	March 8, 1943
CV	GRAF ZEPPELIN	Kiel; in floating dock	March 7, 1943
CA	ADMIRAL SCHEER (3)	Unknown	April 5, 1943
CA	LUETZOW (4)	Unknown	March 27, 1943
CA	SEYDLITZ	Bremen; being dismantled	March 19, 1943
CA	PRINZ EUGEN	Gdynia	March 8, 1943
CA	ADMIRAL HIPPER	Wilhelmshaven; in floating dock.	April 5, 1943
CL	NUERNBERG	Harstad, Northern Norway	April 2, 1943
CL	LEIPZIG (5)	Probably in central Baltic	March 22, 1943
CL	KOELN	Kiel	March 7, 1943
CL	EMDEN (6)	Unknown	March 20, 1943
DDs (7)			
	6/8 Units	Norway	March 22, 1943
	5/7 Units	German North Sea & Baltic Ports	March 22, 1943
	4 Units	Biscay and Channel	March 22, 1943
TORPEDO BOATS			
	2 Units	Norwegian Ports	March 22, 1943
	3 Units	German North Sea Ports	March 22, 1943
ca.	12 Units	German Baltic Ports	March 22, 1943
	10/12 Units	Biscay and Channel	March 22, 1943
SSs	THE FOLLOWING FIGURES ARE NOT TO BE REPRODUCED IN ANY FORM: (8)		
	109 Units	French Ports	April 5, 1943
	100 Units	Atlantic Patrols	April 5, 1943
	21 Units	Norwegian Patrols and Northern Waters	Apr. 5, 1943
	12 Units	Operating in Baltic	April 5, 1943
	18 Units	Mediterranean Ports and Patrols	April 5, 1943
	6 Units	Operating in Black Sea	April 5, 1943
	44 Units	Training	April 5, 1943
	136 Units	Trials	April 5, 1943
	446 Total.		

NOTES:

(1) TIRPITZ has not been seen since March 19, 1943, when she was in the Narvik area.

(2) SCHARNHORST has not been seen since March 19, 1943, when she was in the Narvik area.

(3) ADMIRAL SCHEER previously reported Wilhelmshaven March 23, 1943.

(4) LUETZOW has not been seen since March 19, 1943, when she was in the Narvik area.

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(5) LEIPZIG has not been seen since November 11, 1942 when she was at Gdynia.
(6) EMDEN has not been seen since March 8, 1943 when she was at Gdynia.
(7) Four DDs were accompanying outward-bound blockade runners in the Bay of Biscay March 30, 1943. Three DDs were present at Harstad, northern Norway, with NUERNBERG April 2, 1943.
(8) SSs previously reported. NOT TO BE REPRODUCED IN ANY FORM:

113 Units	French ports	March 29, 1943
102 Units	Atlantic patrols	March 29, 1943
18 Units	Norwegian Patrols & Northern Waters	March 29, 1943
12 Units	Operating in Baltic	March 29, 1943
19 Units	Operating in Mediterranean	March 29, 1943
6 Units	Operating in Black Sea	March 29, 1943
44 Units	Training	March 29, 1943
130 Units	Trials	March 29, 1943
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Disposition of Italian Fleet

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
BB	DORIA	Taranto	March 15, 1943
BB	DUILIO	"	March 15, 1943
CL	3 Units	"	March 21, 1943
DD	14 Units	"	March 21, 1943
SS	9 Units	"	March 21, 1943
SS	3 Units	Augusta	February 28, 1943
DD	6 Units	Messina	March 12, 1943
DD	11 Units	Palermo	March 17, 1943
SS	1 Unit	"	March 7, 1943
DD	4 Units	Trapani	March 13, 1943
SS	3 Units (*)	Cagliari	March 8, 1943
CA	1 Unit (*)	La Maddalera	April 12, 1943 (1)
DD	2 Units	"	March 5, 1943
SS	4 Units	"	March 5, 1943
DD	12 Units	Naples	March 5, 1943
SS	8 Units	"	March 5, 1943
DD	1 Unit	Castellammare di Stabia	March 4, 1943
SS	1 Unit	" " "	March 4, 1943
CCL	1 Unit	Livorno (guardship)	March 5, 1943
DD	6 Units	"	March 5, 1943
SS	1 Unit	"	March 5, 1943
BB	LITTORIO	La Spezia	March 13, 1943
BB	VITTORIO VENETO	" "	March 13, 1943
BB	ROMA	" "	March 13, 1943
CA	1 Unit	" " (repairing)	March 13, 1943
CL	1 Unit (REGOLO Class)	" " (repairing)	March 5, 1943
CCL	1 Unit	" " (guardship)	March 5, 1943
DD	20 Units	" "	March 5, 1943
SS	13 Units	" "	March 5, 1943
ACV	ROMA (Ex-Liner)	Genoa (building)	March 5, 1943
ACV	Ex-REGOLO Class CL	" (building)	March 5, 1943
ACV	AUGUSTUS (Ex-Liner)	" (building)	March 5, 1943
CL	2 Units	"	March 18, 1943
DD	7 Units	"	March 5, 1943
SS	4 Units	"	March 5, 1943

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TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
BB	CAVOUR	Trieste (repairing)	February 28, 1943
BB	IMPERO	" (building)	February 28, 1943
CL	1 Unit	Pola	February 6, 1943
CGL	1 Unit	"	December 23, 1942
SS	7 Units	"	December 23, 1942
DD	6 Units	Aegean & Dodecanese Is.	February 28, 1943
SS	5 Units	" " " "	February 28, 1943
SS	9 Units	Bordeaux	February 28, 1943
BB	CESARE	Unknown	
CGL	QUARTO	"	
DD	8 Units (*)	"	(2)
SS	8 Units (*)	"	

(*) Indicates change since report of April 6, 1943.

(1) CA GORIZIA reported badly damaged at La Maddalena; CA TRIESTE sunk.
(2) One DD reported blown up in Sicilian Straits April 6, 1943.

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A. COMBINED FLEET

BB - MUSASHI (Flag of CinC, Combined Fleet)

I. First Fleet

Composition	Location
Batdiv 1	4 BB
YAMATO (F)	Probably Truk.
NAGATO	Probably in home waters.
HYUGA	
ISE	
Batdiv 2	4 BB
MUTSU	Possibly Truk Area.
MUSASHI	
FUSO	Probably in home waters.
YAMASHIRO	
Crudiv 9	2 CL
OI	Eastern N.E.I.
KITAGAMI	
Desron 1	2 CL, 6 DD
KISO (F)	Maizuru
ABAKUMA	Due Soya Straits April 15, probably enroute Maizuru from Paramushiro.
Desdiv 6	Probably N.W. Pacific with Hibiki Truk escorting Otaka.
Desdiv 21	Probably northern Empire.

SUMMARY
8 BB
4 CL
5 DD*

* 1 DD out of 6 enumerated in composition is considered lost.

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II. Second Fleet

Composition	Location
Crudiv 4	3 CA
ATAGO (F)	Probably Truk.
TAKAO	Possibly Truk-Melanesia area.
MAYA	Probably Yokosuka.
Crudiv 5	3 CA
MYOKO	Possibly Truk-Melanesia area
HAGURO)	Uncertain.
NACHI)	
Desron 2	1 CL, 9 DD
JINTSU (F)	Uncertain.
Desdiv 15	Escorting Otaka.
Desdiv 24	Truk-Melanesia area.
Desdiv 31	Possibly Truk area.

SUMMARY
6 CA
1 CL
6 DD*

* 3 DD out of total of 9 enumerated in composition are considered lost.

III. Third Fleet

ZUIKAKU (Acting Flag)

Composition	Location
Batdiv 3	2 BB
HARUNA)	Truk area.
KONGO)	
Cardiv 1	3 CV
ZUIKAKU	Probably Truk.
SHOKAKU	Probably Yokosuka, damaged.
ZUIHO	Truk-Kavieng area.

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Third Fleet (continued)

Composition	Location
Cardiv 2	2 CV
HAYATAKA (F))	Truk-Kavieng area.
HITAKA)	
Cardiv 50	2 ACV*, 2 DD
OTAKA	Truk, departing soon for Yokosuka.
RYUHO*	Empire.
DD YUKAZE)	Uncertain.
DD Unident.)	
UNYO	Possibly enroute Yokosuka from Truk.
CHUYO	Truk; departing soon for Yokosuka.
HOSHO	Uncertain.
	1 CV, 2 ACV
Crudiv 7	3 CA
KUMANO (F))	Kure, overhualing.
SUZUYA)	
MOGAMI	Believed sunk.
Crudiv 8	2 CA
TONE)	Probably Truk area.
CHIKUMA)	
Desron 10	18 DD
Desdiv 4	Truk with Arashi and Maikaze Empire.
Desdiv 10	Rabaul area.
Desdiv 17	One unit Wewak area; one unit Yokosuka.
Desdiv 61	Possibly Truk less Akitsuki.
Desdiv 16	Wewak-Rabaul area.

SUMMARY

2 BB 4 CA**
6 CV 13 DD***
4 ACV

* It is not definitely established whether the RYUHO is a CV or ACV, but it is believed to be the latter.
** 1 CA out of 5 enumerated in composition is considered lost.
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IV. Fourth Fleet

Composition	Location	
CL - KASHIMA (F)	Uncertain.	1 CL(T)*
TENYO MARU	Uncertain.	1 XCM
Second Surface Escort Unit		6 DD, 1 CM
TSUGARU (F)	Uncertain.	
Desdiv 29	Truk area.	
ASANAGI (DD)	Marshalls-Gilberts area.	
MINEKAZE (DD))	Probably Truk area.	
HATAKAZE (DD))		
3rd Base Force	13 XPG, 4 XPC, 3 XAM Probably most of these units sent to Rabaul and N.W. New Guinea from Palao.	
4th Base Force	10 XPG, 6 XPC, 3 XAM Truk area	
5th Base Force	10 XPG, 8 XPC, 3 XAM Probably most of these units sent to Rabaul from Saipan.	
6th Base Force	CM-TOKIWA, 24 XPG, 8 XAM, 9 XPC, 1 AGS Marshalls with part probably at Makin, Wake, and the Solomons.	

SUMMARY

1 CL(T)*	1 AGS
4 DD**	58 XPG
2 CM	25 XPC
1 XCM	17 XAM

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** 2 DD out of 6 enumerated in composition are considered lost.

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V. Fifth Fleet

Composition	Location	
Crudiv 21		1 CL
~~KASA~~	Northern Empire.	
Crudiv 22		3 XCL
AKAGI MARU (F)	Probably Northwest Pacific.	
ANATA MARU		
ASAKA MARU		
Subron 11		? SS
Composition unknown	Northwest Pacific	
Northern Patrol Forces	About 45 misc. armed merchant patrol vessels.	
Patdivs 1-5 incl.	Patrolling in N.W. Pacific.	
Inshore Picket Boat Force	About 100 misc. fishing craft.	
	Patrolling off Japan coasts.	
Chichijima Area Special Base Force	2 XPG, 4 XAM, 4 PC	Chichijima
Kuriles Defense Force	1 AGS / Misc. others	Kuriles
La Perouse Strait Patrol	1 IB (AT) / Misc. others	
OTOMARI	N. Hokkaido waters.	
SHIOKAZE	Uncertain.	
HACHIJO	Unknown	
KAMITSU MARU	Probably N.W. Pacific	
	1 DD, 1 CM, 1 XPG	
5th Defense Force	Misc. Aux. & small craft	Kiska

SUMMARY

1 CL	4 PC
1 DD	1 AGS
? SS	1 IB (AT)
3 XCL	45 Misc. armed merchant patrol ships
1 CM	Misc.
3 XPG	
4 XAM	

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VI. Sixth Fleet

Composition	Location
KATORI, Flagship	Probably Truk. 1 CL(T)*
Subron 1	2 XAS, 7 SS
I-9 (FF)	Empire, repairing until about May 1.
XAS - HEIAN MARU	Uncertain.
XAS - NISSO MARU	Uncertain.
Subdiv 2	I-19 Truk; I-25 Fiji area; other units Rabaul-New Guinea area.
Subdiv 15	I-31 N.W. Pacific; I-32 Fiji area.
Subron 2	1 AS, 1 XAS, 5 SS
AS - CHOGEI (F)	
XAS - MANZYU MARU	
Subdiv 7	I-5 and I-6 Rabaul area; I-2 and I-7 Yokosuka overhauling.
Subdiv 8	I-8 overhauling, probably in Empire.
Subron 3	2 XAS, 10 SS
XAS - YASUKUNI MARU (F)	Possibly Bismarks.
I-11 (FF)	Possibly Jaluit.
XAS - URAKAMI MARU	Possibly Truk.
Subdiv 12	I-169 and I-171 Aleutians; I-176 Truk damaged; other units Bismarks.
Subdiv 18	Uncertain.
Subron 8	1 XAS, 9 SS
I-10 (FF)	Probably Empire, overhauling
XAS - HIEI MARU	Probably Truk.
Subdiv 1	I-16 onroute Truk to Yokosuka; I-20 transporting from Rabaul to Lae.
Subdiv 3	Probably Bismarks.
Subdiv 14	Probably Indian Ocean.
SOYO MARU	1 XAS Homo waters.

SUMMARY

1 CL(T)*	1 AS
26 SS**	7 XAS

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** 5 SS out of total of 31 enumerated in composition are considered lost.

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VII. Eighth Fleet

Composition	Location
CA - CHOKAI	Due Rabaul April 15 from Truk
Acting (F)	1 CA
Crudiv 6	1 CA
AOBA	Possibly Truk-Melanesia area
CL - TATSUTA	Possibly Empire
CL - YUBARI	Uncertain
	2 CL
WAKATAKA, SHIRATAKA	New Guinea-Bismarcks area
	2 CM
CHITOSE, KAMIKAWA MARU	Rabaul-Shortland area
KUNIKAWA MARU	Ferrying planes from Empire to Rabaul
KIYOKAWA MARU	Uncertain
	1 CVS, 3 XCVS
Desron 3	1 CL, 12 DD
SENDAI (F)	Truk
Desdiv 8	Rabaul area
Desdiv 11	Truk-Melanesia area
Desdiv 19	Eastern N.E.I.
Desron 4	1 CL, 10 DD
NAGARA (F)	Truk area
Desdiv 2	Transporting Rabaul to Finschhaven
Desdiv 9	Probably North Solomons
Desdiv 27	Truk area
Desdiv 30	MOCHIZUKI Bougainville Straits
Subron 7	1 AS, 5 SS
AS - JINGEI (F)	Possibly Truk
Subdiv 13	Possibly Bismarcks
Subdiv 21	

1st Special Base Force - Buin Misc.
2nd Special Base Force - Wewak 3 PC, Misc.
7th Base Force - Lae Misc.
8th Base Force - Rabaul with some units in Solomons, Wewak, Madang, Hollandia, and Manokwari
3 TB, 2 AM, 7 PC, 16 XPG, 14 Patrol Boats

SUMMARY

2 CA	2 CM	10 PC	
3 CL*	1 CVS	3 TB	1 AS
15 DD**	3 XCVS	2 AM	16 XPG
			14 Patrol Boats

* 1 CL out of 4 enumerated in composition is considered lost.
** 7 DD are considered lost.
*** 1 SS " " 5 " " " " " "

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VIII. Eleventh Air Fleet

Composition	Location	
Airflot 21		
Airflot 22		1 APV
FUJIKAWA MARU	Probably Marshalls	
Airflot 23		1 XCVS
OMITSU MARU	Uncertain	
Airflot 24		1 CVS, 1 APV
KAMOI (F)	Uncertain	
GOSHU MARU	Scheduled to depart Yokosuka May (?) to ferry planes from Truk to Rabaul.	
Airflot 25		1 APV
NARUTO MARU	Yokohama, departing for Rabaul.	
Airflot 26		1 CVS, 1 APV
[illegible]TSUSHIMA	Uncertain	
MOGAMIGAWA MARU	Departs Yokosuka April 20 to ferry planes from Truk to Rabaul.	
KAMOGAWA MARU	Unknown	
KEIYO MARU	Unknown	
LYONS MARU	Uncertain	3 APV
Desdiv 34	TACHIKAZE Wewak area	2 DD

SUMMARY
2 DD
2 CVS
1 XCVS
7 APV

Attached to Combined Fleet

CHIYODA	Uncertain
NISSHIN	Uncertain
NOTORO	Probably Singapore
KIMIKAWA MARU	Due Rabaul from Yokosuka April (?)
SAGARA MARU	Uncertain
SANUKI MARU	Uncertain
SANYO MARU	Uncertain
YASUKAWA MARU	Uncertain

3 CVS, 5 XCVS

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Composition	Location
AIKOKU MARU	Probably Empire
GOKOKU MARU	Departs Soerabaya April 14 for Singapore
KIYOZUMI MARU	Departed Davao April 8 for Kobe
KONGO MARU	Unknown
NOSHIRO MARU	Probably Truk, damaged
SEICHO MARU	Uncertain
	6 XCL
Desdiv 7	SAZANAMI escorting Otaka; other units escorting UNYO
	3 DD
Subron 5	1 AS, 2 XAS, 7 SS
AS - KOMAEISHI (F)	Probably N.W. Pacific
XAS - RIO DE JANEIRO MARU	Uncertain
XAS - ARITA MARU	
Subdiv 19	
Subdiv 28	
Subron 6	1 XAS
XAS - NAGOYA MARU	Possibly enroute Rabaul to Yokosuka

Fleet Train

AR - AKASHI	Probably Rabaul area
ARS - NAGURA	
AO - IRO	Jaluit area
AO - KYOKUTO MARU	Probably enroute Rabaul to Singapore
AO - TAKETAMA MARU	Singapore
AO - OMUROSAN MARU	Departing Singapore for Kure
AO - TOEI MARU	N.W. Pacific
AH - CHICAGO MARU	East China Sea
AH - ASAHI MARU	Truk

SUMMARY

2 DD*	1 AS
6 SS**	20 AO
6 XCL	3 AF
3 CVS	1 AR
5 XCVS	1 XAF
3 XAS	20 AH
	7 ARS

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**One SS of 7 " " " " " "

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Composition	Location	
IX.	First Southern Expeditionary Fleet	
KASHII (F)	N.E.I.	1 CL (T)*
SHIMUSHU	Uncertain. Probably Malay area	1 CM
9th Special Base Force	- Penang	Misc.
10th Special Base Force	- Singapore	Misc.
11th Special Base Force	- Saigon	Misc.
12th Special Base Force	- Rangoon	Misc.

SUMMARY
1 CL Misc.
1 CM

X.	Second Southern Expeditionary Fleet	
ASHIGARA	Probably Soerabaya area; scheduled for overhaul at Sasebo April-May	1 CA
Crudiv 16	3 CL, 1 CL (T)	
KINU (F)	Possibly North Solomons area	
NATORI	Singapore, damaged	
KUMA	Possibly damaged at Kavieng and towed to Truk	
YASUZU	Possibly North Solomons area	
21st Special Base Force	- Soerabaya	3 AM & Misc.
22nd Special Base Force	- Balikpapan	Misc.
23rd Special Base Force	- Makassar 1 CM, 2 TB & Misc.	
24th Special Base Force	- Ambon, with some units at Tocal 1 CM, 2 TB & Misc.	
25th Special Base Force	- Manokwari, with some units Fak Fak and Kaimana 4 XPG, 3 XPC, 2 AM, Misc.	
Gunboat Div 2	NEI waters	4 XPG
Survey Div. 1	NEI waters	2 AGS

SUMMARY

1 CA	8 XPG	2 AGS
3 CL	3 XPC	3 AM
1 CL(T)*	4 TB	Misc.
2 CM		

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XI. Third Southern Expeditionary Fleet

Composition	Location	
YAEYAMA (F)	Philippines	1 CM
31st Special Base Force	– Manila	2 AM & Misc.
32nd " "	" – Davao	Misc.
Survey Div. 2	Philippines	2 AGS

SUMMARY
1 CM 2 AGS
2 AM Misc.

Attached to Southwest Area Fleet

Composition	Location	
Subdiv 30	Two units Empire	3 SS
Torpedo Boat Div 11	One unit Soerabaya area with others possibly Wake	3 TB
First Surface Escort Unit		15 DD, 1 CM, 2 TB, 1 XPG
Desdiv 22	Rabaul area less 2 units Truk, 1 damaged.	
Desdiv 13)	Escorting South and East China Seas	
" 32)		
MIKAZUKE (DD))		
HOKAZE (DD))		
MATSUKAZE (DD))		
KARUKAZE (DD))		
MATSUWA (CM))		
ASAKAZE (DD)	Ambon area	
PEKING MARU	Unknown	

SUMMARY
12 DD*
3 SS
1 CM
5 TB
1 XPG

* 3 DD out of 15 enumerated in composition are considered lost.

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Composition	Location	
Shanghai Base Force –	Shanghai	1 PR & Misc.
Desdiv 26	– China coast	3 DD
Nanking Base Force –	Nanking	Misc.
Central China Force		
UJI (F)	China coast	1 PG
Patdiv 11	Yangtze River	11 PR
Hankow Base Force	Hankow	Misc.
Gunboat Div.	China coast	2 PG, 3 XPG
South China Force		
HASHIDATE (F)	Hongkong	1 PG
Minron 1	South China coast	1 PG, 2 AM
Guard Divs 15& 16	South China coast	6 XPG
Canton Base Force –	Canton	Misc.
Amoy Base Force –	Amoy	Misc.
Hainan Defense Force –	Hainan with 1 TB Bismarcks –	1 TB & Misc.
North China Force		
Gunboat Divs 1,2,13,14 –	Gulf of Pechili	8 XPG
Tsingtao Base Force –	Tsingtao	Misc.

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3 Training vessels	1 TB
	1 DM
9 DD	2 AM
3 SS	12 PR
2 CM	17 XPG
5 PG	Misc.

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Kure Defense Force

Kure Naval District Force
Subdiv 33

Kure
1 Training vessel, Misc. Patrol craft

Probably home waters

Yokosuka Defense Force

Yokosuka
1 Training vessel, Misc.
Desdiv 1 – 2 DD Possibly Solomons

Sasebo Defense Force

Sasebo
Misc. Patrol craft

Maizuru Defense Force

Maizuru
1 Training vessel, Misc. Patrol craft

Ominato " "

Ominato
1 DM, 2 CM, Misc. Patrol craft
Desdiv 3 – 4 DD Northern Empire

E. ASSIGNMENT UNKNOWN

3 CM	3 CA*	YAKUMO, IZUMO, IWATE
29 DM	5 CL**	NAKA, AGANO, OYODO, NOSHIRO, YAHAGI
6 AM	11 DD***	Some units in New Guinea–Bismarcks
	47 SS****	Some units Aleutians, Empire, Truk, Jaluit, Rabaul, Solomons, North Australia, New Hebrides–Fiji–New Caledonia area, off Sydney and mid-Pacific area.

* New CA's believed to have been commissioned in 1942 and probably of a new and heavier design.

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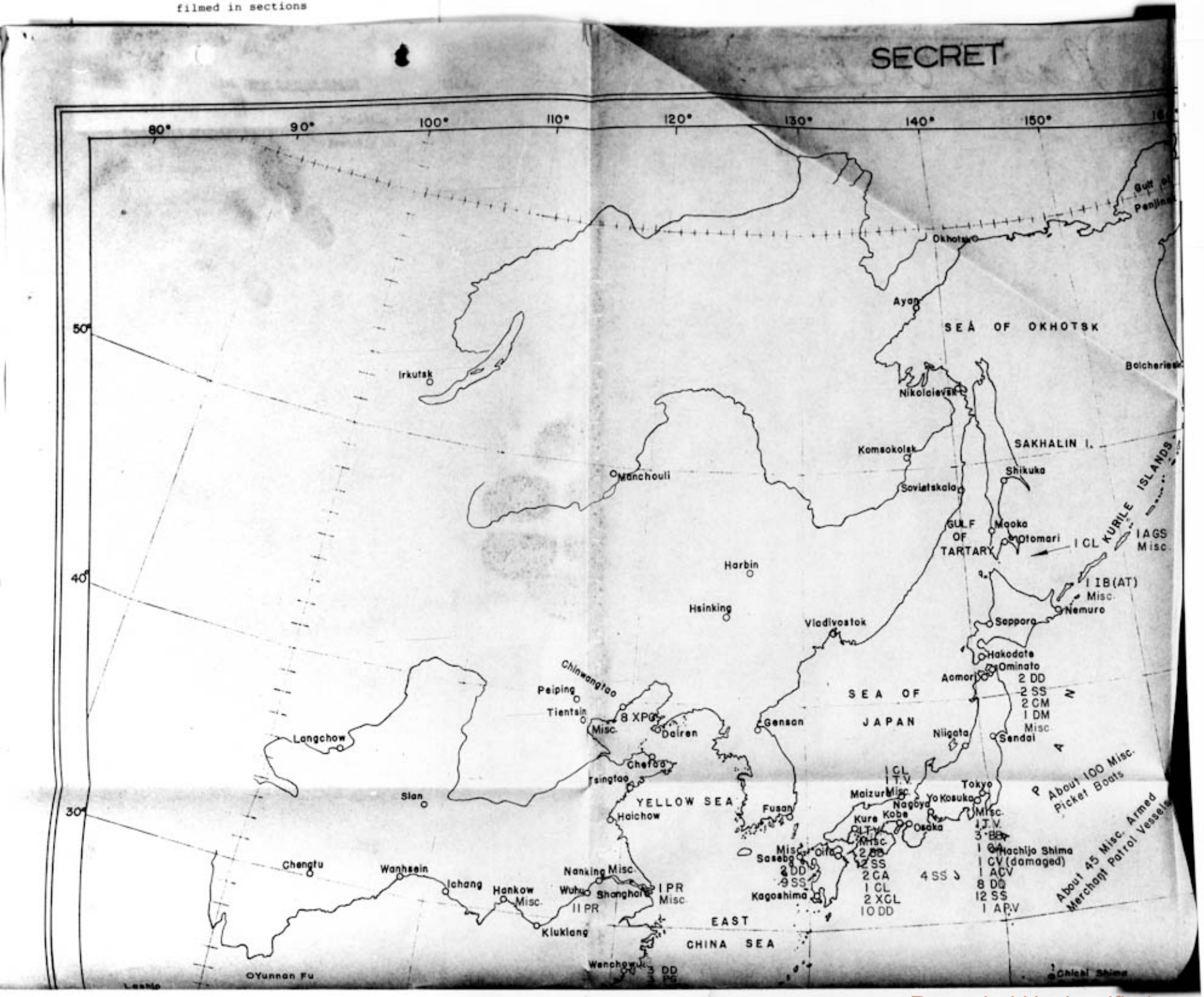
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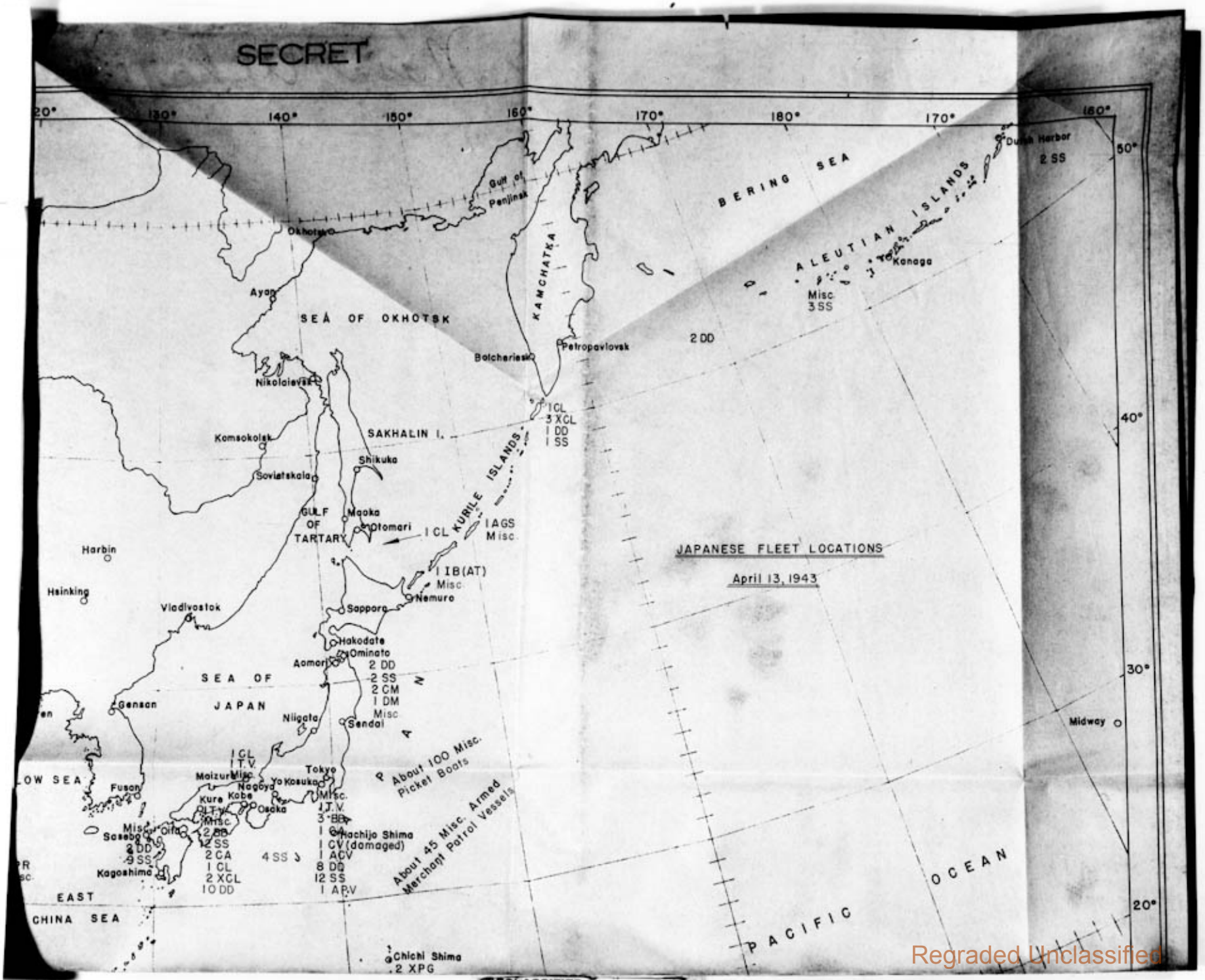
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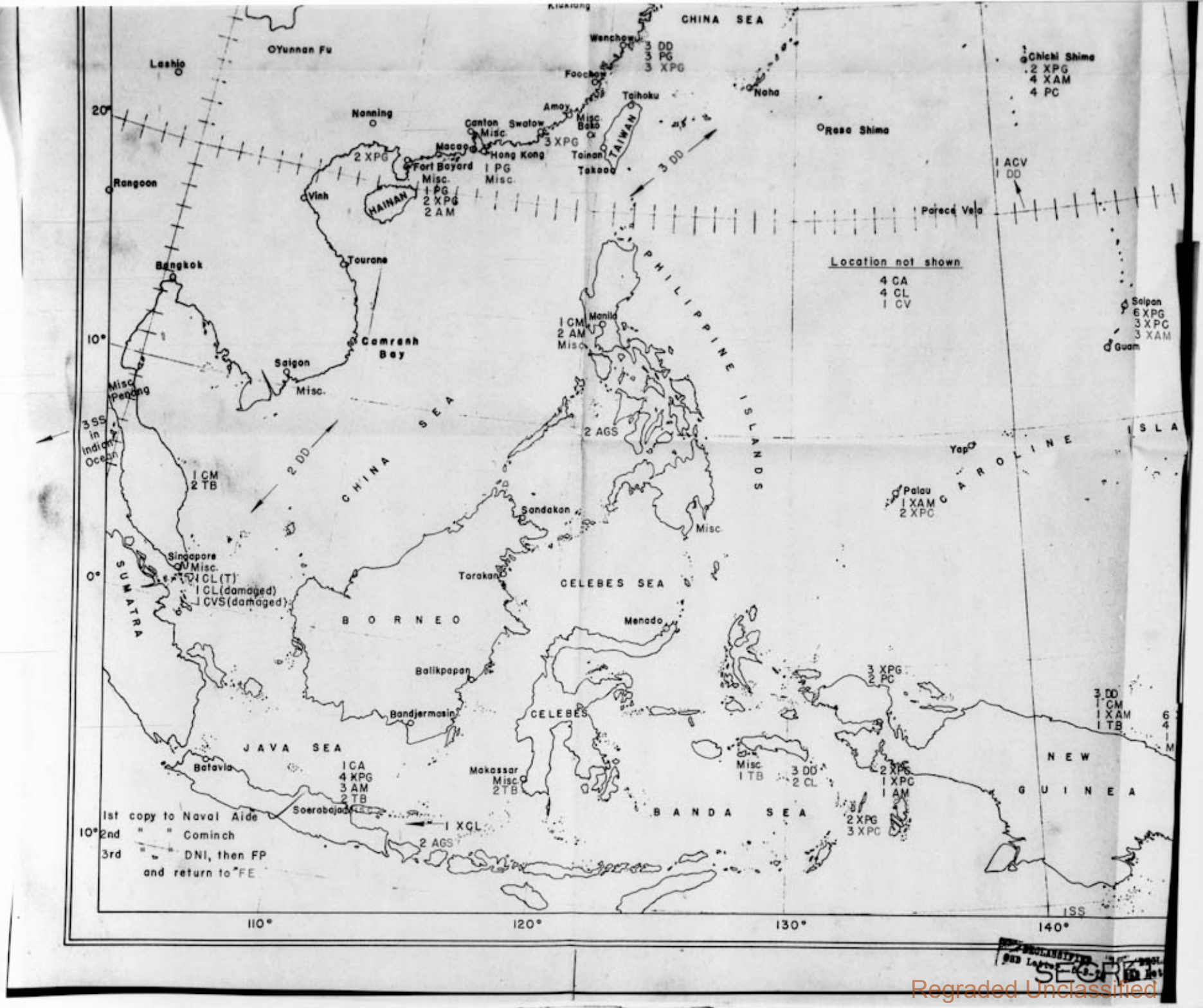
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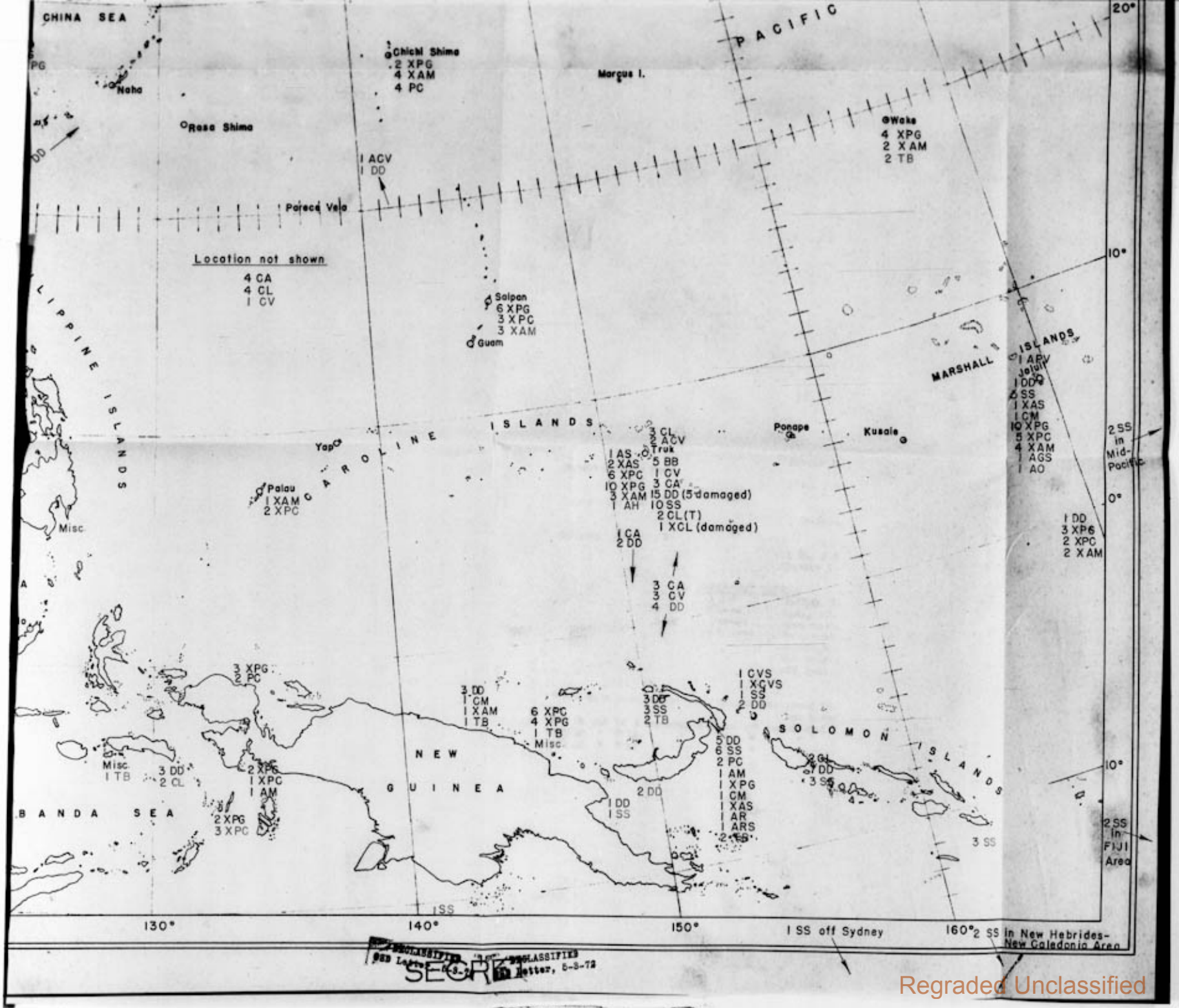
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SUBJECT: German Fleet Disposition.

Ship Type	Name	Location	Last Reported Date
BB	TIRPITZ (1)	Unknown	March 27, 1943
BB	SCHARNHORST (2)	Unknown	March 27, 1943
BB	GNEISENAU	Gdynia	March 8, 1943
OBB	SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN	Gdynia	March 8, 1943
OBB	SCHLESIEN	Gdynia	March 8, 1943
CV	GRAF ZEPPELIN	Kiel; in floating dock	March 7, 1943
CA	ADMIRAL SCHEER	Wilhelmshaven	March 23, 1943
CA	LUETZOW (3)	Unknown	March 27, 1943
CA	SEYDLITZ	Bremen; being dismantled	March 19, 1943
CA	PRINZ EUGEN	Gdynia	March 8, 1943
CA	ADMIRAL HIPPER	Wilhelmshaven, in dry dock.	March 23, 1943
CL	NUERNBERG (4)	Harstad, northern Norway	April 2, 1943
CL	LEIPZIG (5)	Probably in central Baltic	March 15, 1943
CL	KOELN	Kiel	March 7, 1943
CL	EMDEN	Unknown	March 20, 1943
DDs	(6)		
	6/8 Units	Norway	March 15, 1943
	5/7 Units	German North Sea and Baltic ports	March 15, 1943
	4 Units	Biscay and Channel	March 15, 1943
TORPEDO BOATS			
	2 Units	Norwegian ports	March 15, 1943
	3 Units	German North Sea Ports	March 15, 1943
ca.	12 Units	German Baltic Ports	March 15, 1943
	10/12 Units	Biscay and Channel	March 15, 1943
SSs	THE FOLLOWING FIGURES ARE NOT TO BE REPRODUCED IN ANY FORM: (7)		
	113 Units	French ports	March 29, 1943
	102 Units	Atlantic patrols	March 29, 1943
	18 Units	Norwegian Patrols & Northern Waters	March 29, 1943
	12 Units	Operating in Baltic	March 29, 1943
	19 Units	Operating in Mediterranean	March 29, 1943
	6 Units	Operating in Black Sea	March 29, 1943
	44 Units	Training	March 29, 1943
	130 Units	Trials	March 29, 1943
	444 Total		

NOTES:

(1) TIRPITZ was reported in Altenfjord, March 30, 1943, but has not been seen since March 19, 1943, when she was in the Narvik area.

(2) SCHARNHORST was reported in Altenfjord, March 30, 1943, but has not been seen since March 19, 1943, when she was in the Narvik area.

(3) LUETZOW was reported in Altenfjord, March 30, 1943, but has not been seen since March 19, 1943, when she was in the Narvik area.

(4) NUERNBERG previously reported Narvik, March 27, 1943.

(5) LEIPZIG has not been seen since November 11, 1942, when she was at Gdynia.

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NOTES (Continued):

(6) DDs previously reported -

5/6	Units Northern Norway	March 1, 1943
10/12	Units German North Sea and Baltic Ports	March 1, 1943

Four DDs were accompanying outward-bound blockade runners in the Bay of Biscay March 30, 1943. Three DDs were present at Harstad, northern Norway, with NUERNBERG April 2, 1943.

(7) SSs previously reported. NOT TO BE REPRODUCED IN ANY FORM:

94 Units	French Ports	March 22, 1943
122 Units	Atlantic Patrols	March 22, 1943
15 Units	Norwegian Patrols and Northern Waters	Mar.22, 1943
12 Units	Operating in Baltic	March 22, 1943
19 Units	Operating in Mediterranean	March 22, 1943
6 Units	Operating in Black Sea	March 22, 1943
44 Units	Training	March 22, 1943
129 Units	Trials	March 22, 1943
441 Total.		

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Disposition of Italian Fleet

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
BB	DORIA	Taranto	March 5, 1943
BB	DUILIO	"	March 5, 1943
CL	3 Units	"	March 5, 1943
DD	14 Units (*)	"	March 5, 1943
SS	9 Units (*)	"	March 5, 1943
SS	3 Units	Augusta	February 28, 1943
DD	6 Units	Messina	March 12, 1943
SS	0 Units (*)	"	March 5, 1943
DD	11 Units	Palermo	March 17, 1943
SS	1 Unit (*)	"	March 7, 1943
DD	4 Units	Trapani	March 13, 1943
SS	8 Units	Cagliari	February 28, 1943
CA	2 Units	La Maddalena	March 5, 1943
DD	2 Units	"	March 5, 1943
SS	4 Units	"	March 5, 1943
DD	12 Units (*)	Naples	March 5, 1943
SS	8 Units (*)	"	March 5, 1943
DD	1 Unit	Castellammare di Stabia	March 4, 1943
SS	1 Unit	"	March 4, 1943
CCL	1 Unit	Livorno (guardship)	March 5, 1943
DD	6 Units (*)	"	March 5, 1943
SS	1 Unit	"	March 5, 1943
BB	LITTORIO	La Spezia	March 5, 1943
BB	VITTORIO VENETO	"	March 5, 1943
BB	ROMA	"	March 5, 1943
CA	1 Unit	" (repairing)	March 5, 1943
CL	1 Unit (REGOLO Class)	" (repairing)	March 5, 1943
CCL	1 Unit	" (guardship)	March 5, 1943
DD	20 Units	"	March 5, 1943
SS	13 Units (*)	"	March 5, 1943
ACV	ROMA (Ex-Liner)	Genoa (building)	March 5, 1943
ACV	Ex-REGOLO Class CL	" (building)	March 5, 1943
ACV	AUGUSTUS (Ex-Liner)	" (building)	March 5, 1943
CL	2 Units	"	March 5, 1943
DD	7 Units (*)	"	March 5, 1943
SS	4 Units	"	March 5, 1943

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Disposition of Italian Fleet (Continued)

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
BB	CAVOUR	Trieste (repairing)	February 28, 1943
BB	IMPERO	" (building)	February 28, 1943
CL	1 Unit	Pola	December 23, 1942
OCL	1 Unit	"	December 23, 1942
SS	7 Units	"	December 23, 1942
DD	6 Units	Aegean & Dodecanese Is.	February 28, 1943
SS	5 Units	" " " "	February 28, 1943
SS	9 Units	Bordeaux	February 28, 1943
BB	CESARE	Unknown	
OCL	QUARTO	"	
DD	9 Units (*)	"	
SS	3 Units (*)	"	

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Disposition of French (Vichy) Fleet

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French Naval Vessels Under Fighting French or Allied Operational Control

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Immobilized French Vessels

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
OBB	LORRAINE	Alexandria	March 20, 1943
CA	3 Units	"	March 20, 1943
CL	1 Unit	"	March 20, 1943
DD	3 Units	"	March 20, 1943
SS	1 Unit	"	March 20, 1943
CV	BEARN	Martinique	March 17, 1943
CL	1 Unit	"	February 19, 1943
CL	1 Unit	Guadeloupe	March 23, 1943
SS	1 Unit	Cartagena, Spain	March 16, 1943

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A. COMBINED FLEET

BB - YAMATO (Flag of CinC, Combined Fleet)

I. First Fleet

Composition	Location
Batdiv 1	4 BB
YAMATO (F)	Probably Truk.
NAGATO)	Probably in home waters.
HYUGA)	
ISE)	
Batdiv 2	4 BB
MUTSU)	Possibly Truk Area.
MUSASHI)	
FUSO)	Probably in home waters.
YAMASHIRO)	
Crudiv 9	2 CL
OI)	Possibly Soerabaya area.
KITAGAMI)	
Desron 1	1 CL, 5 DD
ABUKUMA (F)	Probably N.W. Pacific
Desdiv 6	Probably N.W. Pacific
Desdiv 21	Yokosuka

SUMMARY
8 BB
3 CL
4 DD*

* 1 DD out of 5 enumerated in composition is considered lost.

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II. Second Fleet

Composition	Location
Crudiv 4	3 CA
ATAGO (F)	Uncertain.
TAKAO	Truk-Melanesia area
MAYA	Uncertain.
Crudiv 5	3 CA
MYOKO	Truk-Melanesia area
HAGURO)	Probably Yokosuka.
NACHI)	
Desron 2	1 CL, 9 DD
JINTSU (F)	Uncertain.
Desdiv 15	Escorting Otaka.
Desdiv 24	Truk-Melanesia area.
Desdiv 31	Truk.

SUMMARY
6 CA
1 CL
6 DD*

* 3 DD out of total of 9 enumerated in composition are considered lost.

III. Third Fleet

ZUIKAKU (Acting Flag)

Composition	Location
Batdiv 3	2 BB
HARUNA)	Truk.
KONGO)	
Cardiv 1	3 CV
ZUIKAKU	Possibly Truk-Kavieng area.
SHOKAKU	Kure.
ZUIHO	Possibly Truk area.

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Third Fleet (continued)

Composition	Location
Cardiv 2	2 CV
HAYATAKA (F))	Truk area.
HITAKA)	
Cardiv 50	2 ACV*, 2 DD
OTAKA)	Enroute Yokosuka to Truk, due April 10.
RYUHO*)	
DD YUKAZE)	Uncertain.
DD Unident.)	
UNYO)	Probably Truk-Kavieng area.
CHUYO)	
HOSHO	Uncertain.
	1 CV, 2 ACV
Crudiv 7	3 CA
KUMANO (F))	Kure, overhauling.
SUZUYA)	
MOGAMI	Believed sunk.
Crudiv 8	2 CA
TONE)	Truk area.
CHIKUMA)	
Desron 10	19 DD
Desdiv 4	Truk with Arashi Kure.
Desdiv 10	Transporting Buin area to Rabaul.
Desdiv 17	Truk-Melanesia area.
Desdiv 61	Truk less Akitsuki.
Desdiv 16	One unit Palau area.

SUMMARY

2 BB	4 CA**
6 CV	13 DD***
4 ACV	

* It is not definitely established whether the RYUHO is a CV or ACV, but it is believed to be the latter.
** 1 CA out of 5 enumerated in composition is considered lost.
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IV. Fourth Fleet

Composition	Location	
CL - KASHIMA (F)	Uncertain.	1 CL(T)*
TEKYO MARU	Uncertain.	1 XCM
Second Surface Escort Unit		6 DD, 1 CM
TSUGARU (F)	Uncertain.	
Desdiv 29	Probably Truk area.	
ASANAGI (DD)	Gilberts area.	
MINEKAZE (DD))	Probably Truk area.	
HATAKAZE (DD))		
3rd Base Force	13 XPG, 4 XPC, 3 XAM Probably most of these units sent to Rabaul and N.W. New Guinea from Palao.	
4th Base Force	10 XPG, 6 XPC, 3 XAM	Truk area
5th Base Force	10 XPG, 8 XPC, 3 XAM Probably most of these units sent to Rabaul from Saipan.	
6th Base Force	CM-TOKIWA., 24 XPG, 8 XAM, 9 XPC, 1 AGS Marshalls with part probably at Makin, Wake, and Solomons.	

SUMMARY

1 CL(T)*	1 AGS
4 DD**	58 XPG
2 CM	25 XPC
1 XCM	17 XAM

* Formerly CL. Reclassified as Training Cruiser due to slow speed (18 knots) and inferior armor.

** 2 DD out of 6 enumerated in composition are considered lost.

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Fifth Fleet

Composition	Location
Crudiv 21	2 CL
KISO)	Northwest Pacific.
TAMA)	
Crudiv 22	3 XCL
AKAGI MARU (F))	Possibly Horomushiro area.
AWATA MARU)	
ASAKA MARU)	
Northern Patrol Forces	About 45 misc. armed merchant patrol vessels.
Patdivs 1-5 incl.	Patrolling in N.W. Pacific
Inshore Picket Boat Force	About 100 misc. fishing craft. Patrolling off Japan coasts.
Chichijima Area Special Base Force	2 XPG, 4 XAM, 4 PC — Chichijima
Kuriles Defense Force	1 AGS + Misc. others — Kuriles
La Perouse Strait Patrol	1 IB (AT) + Misc. others
OTORI	N. Hokkaido waters.
SHIGEAZE	Uncertain.
HACHIJO	Unknown
KAMITSU MARU	Probably N.W. Pacific
	1 DD, 1 CM, 1 XPG
5th Defense Force	Misc. Aus. & small craft — Kiska

SUMMARY

2 CL	4 PC
1 DD	1 AGS
3 XCL	1 IB (AT)
1 CM	45 Misc. armed merchant patrol ships
3 XPG	Misc.
4 XAM	

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VI. Sixth Fleet

Composition	Location	
KATORI, Flagship	Probably Truk.	1 CL(T)*
Subron 1		2 AS, 10 SS
I-9 (FF)	Empire, repairing until about May 1.	
AS - HEIAN MARU	Uncertain.	
AS - NISSO MARU	Uncertain.	
Subdiv 2	I-19 Truk; I-25 Fiji area; other units Rabaul-New Guinea area.	
Subdiv 15	I-31 N.W. Pacific; I-32 Fiji area.	
Subron 2		1 AS, 1 AS, 5 SS
AS - CHOGEI (F)		
AS - MANZYU MARU		
Subdiv 7	I-5 and I-6 Rabaul area; I-2 and I-7 Yokosuka overhauling.	
Subdiv 8	I-8 overhauling, probably in Empire.	
Subron 3		2 AS, 12 SS
AS - YASUKUNI MARU (F)	Possibly Bismarks.	
I-11 (FF)	Possibly Jaluit.	
AS - URAKAMI MARU	Possibly Truk.	
Subdiv 12	I-169 and I-171 Aleutians; I-176 Truk damaged; other units Bismarks.	
Subdiv 18	Uncertain.	
Subron 8		1 AS, 9 SS
I-10 (FF)	Probably Empire, overhauling.	
AS - HIEI MARU	Possibly Truk.	
Subdiv 1	I-16 to operate in area N.E. of Australia; I-20 transporting from Rabaul to Lae.	
Subdiv 3	Probably Bismarks.	
Subdiv 14	Probably Indian Ocean.	
Subron 13	Unlocated	Composition unknown.
Subron 15	Unlocated	Composition unknown.
SOYO MARU	1 AS	Home waters.

SUMMARY

1 CL(T)*	1 AS
31 SS**	7 AS

* Formerly CL. Reclassified as Training Cruiser due to slow speed (18 knots) and inferior armor.

** 5 SS out of total of 36 enumerated in composition are considered lost.

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VII. Eighth Fleet

Composition	Location
CA - CHOKAI	Probably Truk.
Acting (F)	1 CA
Crudiv 6	1 CA
AOBA	Probably Truk-Melanesia area
CL - TATSUTA	Possibly Empire
CL - YUBARI	Uncertain
	2 CL
WAKATAKA	Possibly Hollandia area
SHIRATAKA	Possibly Kavieng area
	2 CM
CHITOSE	Uncertain
KAMIKAWA MARU)	Rabaul-Shortland area
KUNIKAWA MARU)	
KIYOKAWA MARU	Uncertain
	1 CVS, 3 XCVS
Desron 3	1 CL, 12 DD
SENDAI (F)	Possibly North Solomons
Desdiv 8)	Probably Bismarcks-North Solomons with some units Empire
Desdiv 11)	
Desdiv 19	Two units Soerabaya-Makassar area
Desron 4	1 CL, 10 DD
NAGARA (F)	Uncertain
Desdiv 2	Possibly Rabaul-N. Solomons
Desdiv 9	Probably North Solomons
Desdiv 27	Some units Empire, some Truk
Desdiv 30	Uncertain
Subron 7	1 AS, 4 SS
AS - JINGEI (F)	Possibly Truk
Subdiv 13)	Probably Bismarcks
Subdiv 21)	
8th Base Force	Rabaul with some units in Solomons, Wewak, Madang, Hollandia, and Manokwari 3 TB, 2 AM, 7 PC, 16 XPG, 14 Patrol Boats
2nd Special Base Force - Wewak	3 PC, Misc.
7th Base Force - Lae	Misc.

SUMMARY

2 CA	5 SS	2 CM	10 PC
3 CL*	1 CVS	3 TB	1 AS
15 DD**	3 XCVS	2 AM	16 XPG
			14 Patrol Boats

* 1 CL out of 4 enumerated in composition is considered lost.
**7 DD " " 22 " " -7" are " "

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VIII. Eleventh Air Fleet

Composition	Location
Airflot 21	
Airflot 22	1 APV
FUJIKAWA MARU	Enroute Empire to Kwajalein
Airflot 23	1 XCVS
OKITSU MARU	Yokosuka
Airflot 24	1 CVS, 1 APV
KAMOI (F)	Uncertain
GOSHU MARU	
Airflot 25	1 APV
NARUTO MARU	Probably enroute south from Empire
Airflot 26	1 CVS, 1 APV
AKITSUSHIMA	Uncertain
MOGAMIGAWA MARU	Soerabaya
KAMOGAWA MARU)	Unknown
KEIYO MARU)	
LYONS MARU	Possibly Saipan area 3 APV
Destroyer 34	Uncertain
	2 DD

SUMMARY
2 DD
2 CVS
1 XCVS
7 APV

Attached to Combined Fleet

CHIYODA	Uncertain
NISSHIN	Uncertain
NOTORO	Probably Singapore
KIMIKAWA MARU	Unknown
SAGARA MARU	Uncertain
SANUKI MARU	Uncertain
SANYO MARU	Uncertain
YASUKAWA MARU	Uncertain
	3 CVS, 5 XCVS

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Attached to Combined Fleet

Composition	Location
AIKOKU MARU	Kure
GOKOKU MARU	Ambon area enroute Babo
KIYOZUMI MARU	Uncertain
KONGO MARU	Unknown
NOSHIRO MARU	Probably Truk, damaged
SEICHO MARU	Uncertain
	6 XCL
Desdiv 7	SAZANAMI escorting Otaka; other units escorting UNYO
	3 DD
Subron 5	1 AS, 2 XAS, 7 SS
AS - KOMAHASHI (F)	Probably N.W. Pacific
XAS - RIO DE JANEIRO MARU	Uncertain
XAS - ARATAMA MARU	
Subdiv 19	
Subdiv 28	
Subron 6	1 XAS
XAS - NAGOYA MARU	Possibly enroute Rabaul to Yokosuka
	Fleet Train
AR - AKASHI	Probably Rabaul area
ARS - NAGAURA	
AO - KYOKUTO MARU	Probably enroute Rabaul to Singapore
AO - TATEKAWA MARU	Enroute Empire to Singapore
AO - ONUROSAN MARU	
AO - ITSUKUSHIMA MARU	

SUMMARY

2	DD*	1	AS
6	SS**	20	AO
6	XCL	3	AF
3	CVS	2	AR
5	XCVS	1	XAF
3	XAS	20	AH
		7	ARS

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B. SOUTHWEST AREA FLEET

Composition	Location	
IX.	First Southern Expeditionary Fleet	
KASHII (F)	N.E.I.	1 CL (T)*
SHIMUSHU	Uncertain. Probably Malay area	1 CM
9th Special Base Force	- Penang	Misc.
10th Special Base Force	- Singapore	Misc.
11th Special Base Force	- Saigon	Misc.
12th Special Base Force	- Rangoon	Misc.

SUMMARY
1 CL Misc.
1 CM

X.	Second Southern Expeditionary Fleet	
ASHIGARA	Probably Soerabaya area	1 CA
Crudiv 16	4 CL	
NATORI	Singapore, damaged	
KINU)	Possibly Kavieng-Truk area	
KUMA)		
ISUZU)		
21st Special Base Force	- Soerabaya	3 AM & Misc.
22nd Special Base Force	- Balikpapan	Misc.
23rd Special Base Force	- Makasser 1 CM, 2 TB & Misc.	
24th Special Base Force	- Ambon, with some units at Tooal 1 CM, 2 TB & Misc.	
25th Special Base Force	- Manokwari, with some units Fak Fak and Kaimana 4 XPG, 3 XPC, 2 AM, Misc.	
Gunboat Div. 2	NEI waters	4 XPG
Survey Div. 1	NEI waters	2 AGS

SUMMARY

1 CA	8 XPG	2 AGS
3 CL	3 XPC	3 AM
1 CL(T)*	4 TB	Misc.
2 CM		

* Formerly CL. Reclassified as Training Cruiser due to slow speed (18 knots) and inferior armor.

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XI. Third Southern Expeditionary Fleet

Composition	Location	
YAEYAMA (F)	Philippines	1 CM
31st Special Base Force	Manila	2 AM & Misc.
32nd " " "	Davao	Misc.
Survey Div. 2	Philippines	2 AGS

SUMMARY
1 CM 2 AGS
2 AM Misc.

Attached to Southwest Area Fleet

Composition	Location	
Subdiv 30	Two units Empire	3 SS
Torpedo Boat Div 11	One unit Soerabaya area with others possibly Wake	3 TB
First Surface Escort Unit		15 DD, 2 TB, 1 XPG
Desdiv 22	Transporting from Kavieng to Finschhafen less FUMITSUKI Truk damaged.	
Desdiv 13)	Escorting South and East China Seas	
" 32)		
MIKAZUKI (DD))		
HOKAZE (DD))		
ASAKAZE (DD))		
MATSUKAZE (DD))		
KARUKAZE (DD))		
PEKING MARU	Unknown	

SUMMARY
12 DD*
3 SS
2 TB
1 XPG

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C. NAVAL FORCES IN CHINA

Composition	Location	
Shanghai Base Force –	Shanghai	1 PR & Misc.
Desdiv 26 –	China coast	3 DD
Nanking Base Force –	Nanking	Misc.
Central China Force		
UJI (F)	China coast	1 PG
Patdiv 11	Yangtze River	11 PR
Hankow Base Force–	Hankow	Misc.
Gunboat Div.	China coast	2 PG, 3 XPG
South China Force		
HASHIDATE (F)	Hongkong	1 PG
Minron 1	South China coast	1 PG, 2 AM
Guard Divs 15 & 16 –	South China coast	6 XPG
Canton Base Force –	Canton	Misc.
Amoy Base Force –	Amoy	Misc.
Hainan Defense Force –	Hainan with 1 TB Bismarcks –	1 TB & Misc.
North China Force		
Gunboat Divs 1,2,13,14 –	Gulf of Pechili	8 XPG
Tsingtao Base Force –	Tsingtao	Misc.

SUMMARY OF NAVAL FORCES IN CHINA AND HOME DEFENSE FORCES

3 Training vessels	1 TB
10 DD	1 DM
3 SS	2 AM
2 CM	12 PR
5 PG	17 XPG
	Misc.

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D. HOME DEFENSE FORCES

Kure Defense Force

Kure Naval District Force
Subdiv 33

Kure
1 Training vessel, Misc. Patrol craft
3 SS
Probably home waters

Yokosuka Defense Force

Yokosuka
1 Training vessel, Misc.
Desdiv 1 - 3 DD Possibly Solomons

Sasebo Defense Force

Sasebo
Misc. Patrol craft

Maizuru Defense Force

Maizuru
1 Training vessel, Misc. Patrol craft

Ominato " "

Ominato
1 DM, 2 CM, Misc. Patrol Craft
Desdiv 3 - 4 DD Empire with 1 unit Muroran

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3 CM	3 CL*	YAKUMO, IZUMO, IWATE
29 DM	5 CL**	NAKA, AGANO, OYODO, NOSHIRO, YAHAGI
6 AM	6 DD***	Some units in New Guinea-Bismarks
	40 SS****	Some units Aleutians, Empire, Truk, Jaluit, Rabaul, Northern Solomons, Southern Solomons, New Hebrides-Fiji-New Caledonia area, off Brisbane and possibly Hawaiian area.

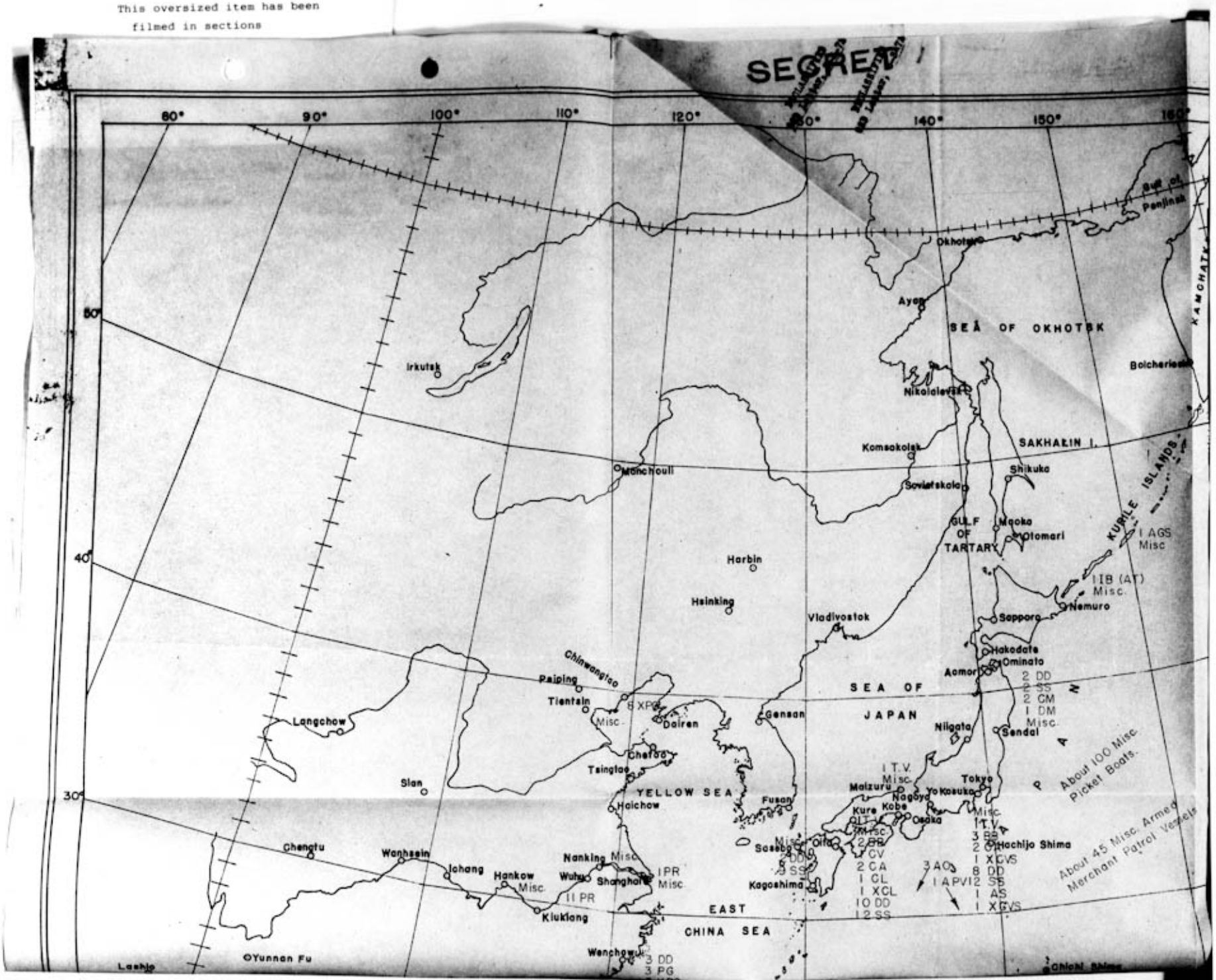
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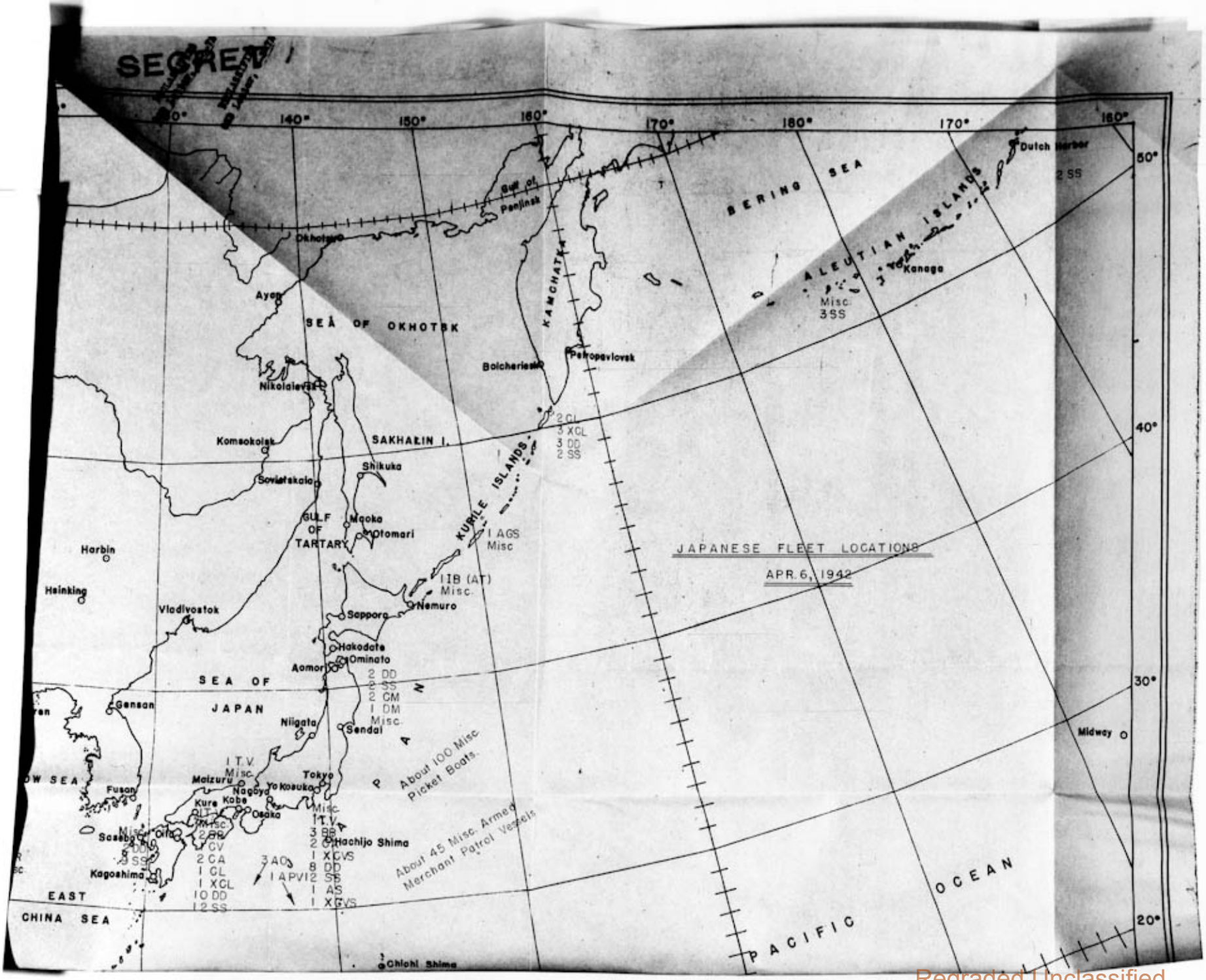
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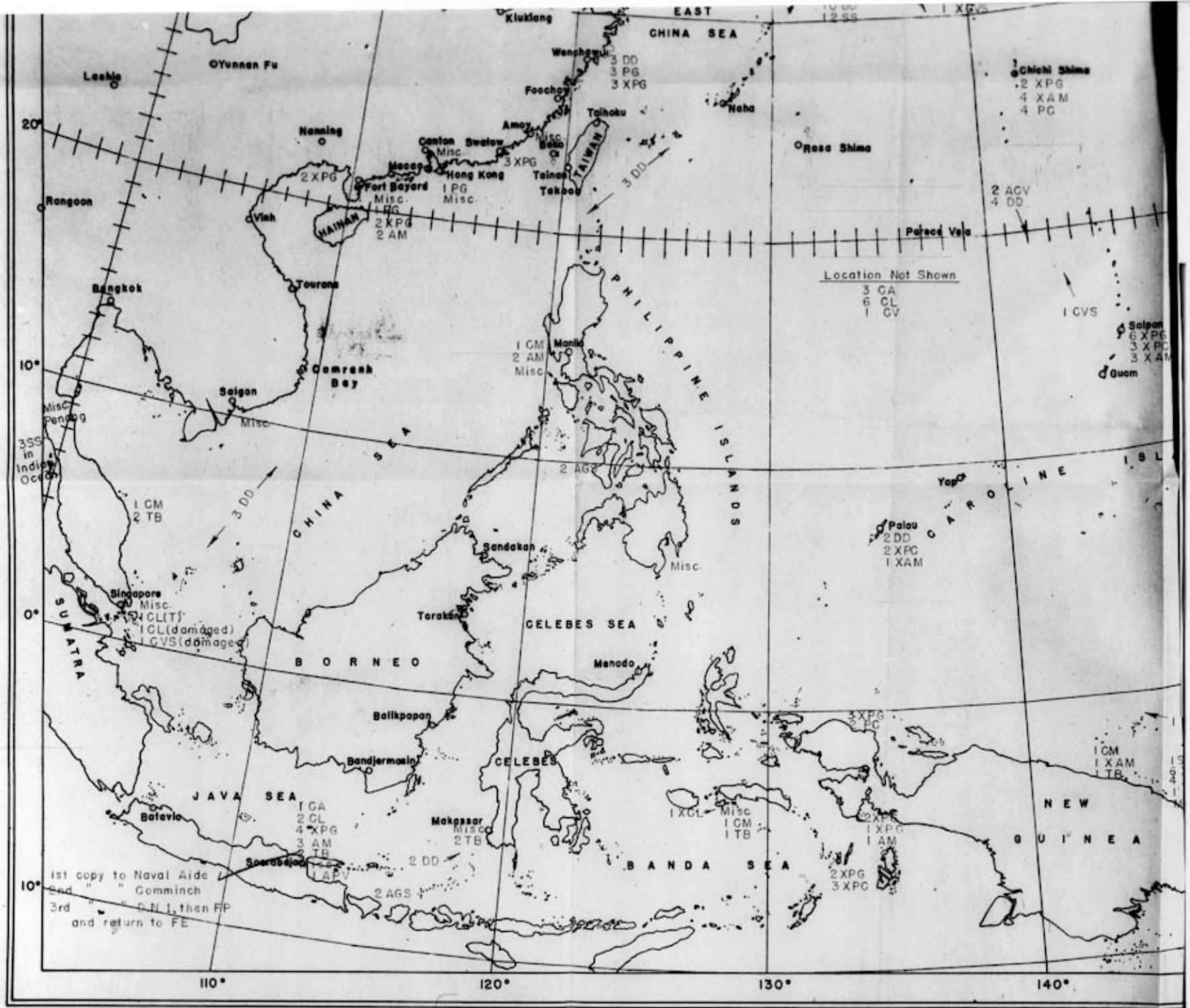
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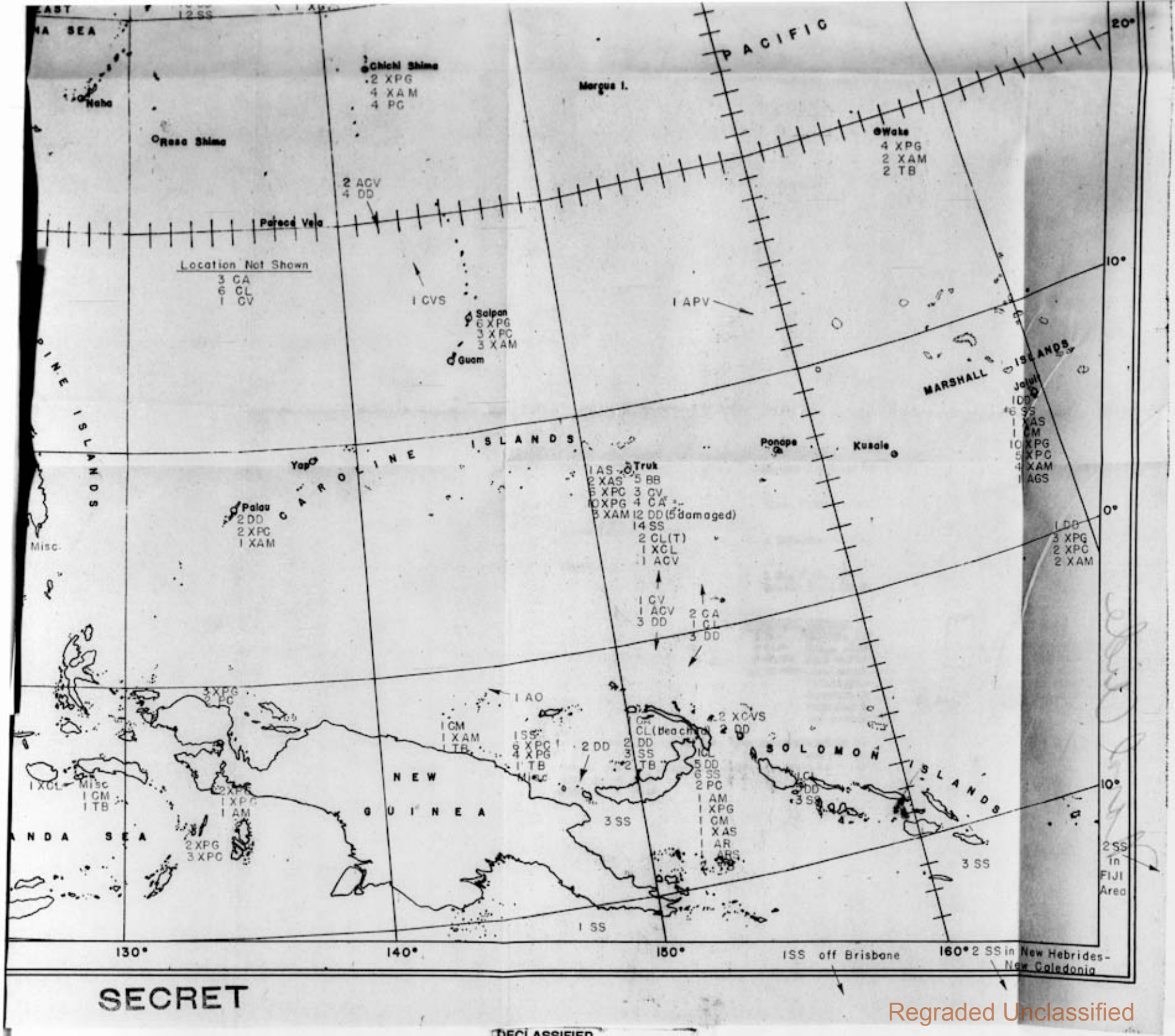
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SUBJECT: German Fleet Disposition.

Type	Ship Name	Location	Last Reported Date
BB	TIRPITZ (1)	Unknown	March 27, 1943
BB	SCHARNHORST (2)	Unknown	March 27, 1943
BB	GNEISENAU	Gdynia	March 8, 1943
OBB	SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN	Gdynia	March 8, 1943
OBB	SCHLESIEN	Gdynia	March 8, 1943
CV	GRAF ZEPPELIN	Kiel; in floating dock	March 7, 1943
CA	ADMIRAL SCHEER	Wilhelmshaven	March 23, 1943
CA	LUETZOW (3)	Unknown	March 27, 1943
CA	SEYDLITZ	Bremen; being dismantled	March 19, 1943
CA	PRINZ EUGEN	Gdynia	March 8, 1943
CA	ADMIRAL HIPPER	Wilhelmshaven; in dry dock	March 23, 1943
CL	NUERNBERG	Narvik	March 27, 1943
CL	LEIPZIG (4)	Probably in central Baltic	March 1, 1943
CL	KOELN	Kiel	March 7, 1943
CL	EMDEN	Unknown	March 20, 1943
DDs (5)			
	5/6 Units	Northern Norway	March 1, 1943
	10/12 Units	German North Sea and Baltic Ports	March 1, 1943
TORPEDO BOATS			
	2 Units	Norwegian Ports	March 1, 1943
	3 Units	German North Sea Ports	March 1, 1943
ca.	12 Units	German Baltic Ports	March 1, 1943
	10/12 Units	Biscay and Channel	March 1, 1943
BBs	THE FOLLOWING FIGURES ARE NOT TO BE REPRODUCED IN ANY FORM: (6)		
	94 Units	French Ports	March 22, 1943
	122 Units	Atlantic Patrols	March 22, 1943
	15 Units	Norwegian Patrols and Northern Waters	Mar. 22, 1943
	12 Units	Operating in Baltic	March 22, 1943
	19 Units	Operating in Mediterranean	March 22, 1943
	6 Units	Operating in Black Sea	March 22, 1943
	44 Units	Training	March 22, 1943
	129 Units	Trials	March 22, 1943
	441 Total.		

NOTES:

(1) TIRPITZ previously reported Ofotfjord, Narvik area, March 19, 1943.
(2) SCHARNHORST previously reported "probably Ofotfjord, Narvik area" March 19, 1943.
(3) LUETZOW previously reported "probably Ofotfjord, Narvik area" March 19, 1943.
(4) LEIPZIG was last seen November 11, 1942, when she was at Gdynia.
(5) Three DDs arrived at Bordeaux March 13, 1943.

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SUBJECT: German Fleet Disposition (Continued)

NOTES (Continued):

(6) SSs previously reported. NOT TO BE REPRODUCED IN ANY FORM:

94 Units	French Ports	March 15, 1943
113 Units	Atlantic Patrols	March 15, 1943
16 Units	Norwegian Patrols and Northern Waters	March 15, 1943
12 Units	Operating in Baltic	March 15, 1943
20 Units	Operating in Mediterranean	March 15, 1943
6 Units	Operating in Black Sea	March 15, 1943
41 Units	Training	March 15, 1943
137 Units	Trials	March 15, 1943
439 Units Total.		

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DISPOSITION OF ITALIAN FLEET.

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE	
BB	2 CAVOUR Class	Taranto	March 5, 1943	
CL	3 Units	"	March 5, 1943	
DD	8 Units (*)	"	March 1, 1943	
SS	10 Units (*)	"	March 1, 1943	
SS	3 Units	Augusta	February 28, 1943	
DD	6 Units	Messina	March 12, 1943	
SS	6 Units	"	February 28, 1943	
DD	11 Units	Palermo	March 17, 1943	
DD	4 Units	Trapani	March 13, 1943	
SS	8 Units	Cagliari	February 28, 1943	
CA	2 Units	Maddalena	March 5, 1943	
DD	2 Units (*)	"	March 5, 1943	
SS	4 Units	"	February 28, 1943	
DD	7 Units	Naples	March 4, 1943	
SS	6 Units (*)	"	March 4, 1943	
DD	1 Unit	Castellammare di Stabia	March 4, 1943	
SS	1 Unit	" " "	March 4, 1943	
OCL	1 Unit (*)	Livorno (guardship)	March 5, 1943	(1)
DD	2 Units (*)	" (1 damaged)	March 5, 1943	
SS	1 Unit (*)	"	March 5, 1943	
BB	LITTORIO	La Spezia	March 5, 1943	
BB	VITTORIO VENETO	" "	March 5, 1943	
BB	ROMA	" "	March 5, 1943	
CA	1 Unit	" " (repairing)	March 5, 1943	
CL	1 Unit (REGOLO Class)	" " (repairing)	March 5, 1943	
OCL	1 Unit (*)	" " (guardship)	March 5, 1943	
DD	20 Units (*)	" "	March 5, 1943	
SS	12 Units (*)	" "	March 5, 1943	
ACV	ROMA (Ex-Liner)	Genoa (building)	March 5, 1943	
ACV	AUGUSTUS (Ex-Liner)(*)	" "	March 5, 1943	(2)
ACV	Ex-REGOLO Class CL	" "	March 5, 1943	
CL	2 Units (*)	"	March 5, 1943	
DD	6 Units (*)	" (1 damaged)	March 5, 1943	
SS	4 Units	" (2 in drydock)	March 5, 1943	

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Disposition of Italian Fleet (cont'd)

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE	
DD	0 Units (*)	Venice	February 28, 1943	
DD	0 Units (*)	Fiume	February 28, 1943	
SS	0 Units (*)	"	February 28, 1943	
DD	0 Units (*)	Monfalcone	February 28, 1943	
SS	0 Units	"	February 28, 1943	
BB	CAVOUR	Trieste (repairing)	February 28, 1943	
BB	IMPERO	" (building)	February 28, 1943	
ACV	0 Units (*)	"	March 5, 1943	(2)
CL	1 Unit	Pola	December 23, 1942	
OCL	1 Unit (*)	"	December 23, 1942	(1)
SS	7 Units	"	December 23, 1942	
DD	6 Units	Aegean & Dodecanese Is.	February 28, 1943	
SS	5 Units	" " " "	February 28, 1943	
SS	9 Units	Bordeaux	February 28, 1943	
BB	1 CAVOUR Class	Unknown		
CL	0 Units (*)	"		
OCL	1 Unit (*)	"		(1)
DD	25 Units (*)	"		

(*) Indicates change since report of March 23, 1943.

(1) The old light cruiser QUARTO was not reported at Livorno on March 5. The former Yugoslav OCL "DALMACIJA", which has not been reported since July 31, 1942, when it was believed sunk, was observed at Pola on December 23rd.

(2) The Ex-Liner AUGUSTUS was erroneously reported at Trieste on March 3rd by Bern despatch.

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Disposition of the French (Vichy) Fleet

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE	
BB	DUNKERQUE	Toulon (damaged)	March 9, 1943	
BB	STRASBOURG	" (damaged)	March 9, 1943	
OBB	PROVENCE	" (damaged)	March 9, 1943	
CA	4 Units	" (all damaged)	March 9, 1943	(1)
CL	3 Units	" (all damaged)	March 9, 1943	(2)
DL	18 Units	" (14 damaged)	March 9, 1943	(3)
DD	15 Units	" (12 damaged)	March 9, 1943	(4)
SS	7 Units	" (2 damaged)	March 9, 1943	
DL	1 Unit	Bizerte	December 21, 1942	
SS	9 Units	"	December 21, 1942	(5)
CL	1 Unit	Saigon	December 21, 1942	
SS	1 Unit	"	December 21, 1942	
DD	3 Units	Unknown	February 28, 1943	
SS	5 Units	"		

(1) Italians reported having intentions of refloating FOCH.
(2) Refloating operations on LA GALISSONNIERE and JEAN DE VIENNE reported in progress.
(3) Reported possible sailing of LION, LYNX, PANTHERE and TIGRE for Italy early in March.
(4) Reported possible sailing of TROMBE for Italy early in March.
(5) All SS's at Bizerte reported without batteries.

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Immobilized French Vessels

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
OBB	LORRAINE	Alexandria	December 1, 1942
CA	3 Units	"	December 1, 1942
CL	1 Unit	"	December 1, 1942
DD	3 Units	"	December 1, 1942
SS	1 Unit	"	December 1, 1942
CV	BEARN	Martinique	March 17, 1943
CL	1 Unit	"	February 19, 1943
CL	1 Unit	Guadeloupe	March 23, 1943
SS	1 Unit	Spain	February 1, 1943

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A. COMBINED FLEET

BB - YAMATO (Flag of CinC, Combined Fleet)

I. First Fleet

Composition	Location
Batdiv 1	4 BB
YAMATO (F)	Probably Truk.
NAGATO)	Probably in home waters.
HYUGA)	
ISE)	
Batdiv 2	4 BB
MUTSU)	Possibly Truk Area.
MUSASHI)	
FUSO)	Probably in home waters.
YAMASHIRO)	
Crudiv 9	2 CL
OI)	Possibly Soerabaya.
KITAGAMI)	
Desron 1	1 CL, 5 DD
ABUKUMA (F)	Probably N.W. Pacific
Desdiv 6)	Possibly West of Attu
Desdiv 21)	

SUMMARY
8 BB
3 CL
4 DD*

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II. Second Fleet

Composition	Location
Crudiv 4	3 CA
ATAGO (F)	Uncertain.
TAKAO	Possibly Kavieng.
MAYA	Uncertain.
Crudiv 5	3 CA
MYOKO	Possibly enroute Rabaul.
HAGURO)	Possibly west of Attu.
NACHI)	
Desron 2	1 CL, 9 DD
JINTSU (F)	Uncertain.
Desdiv 15)	Truk-Melanesia area.
Desdiv 24)	
Desdiv 31)	

SUMMARY
5 CA
1 CL
6 DD*

* 3 DD out of total of 9 enumerated in composition are considered lost.

III. Third Fleet

ZUIKAKU (Acting Flag)

Composition	Location
Batdiv 3	2 BB
HARUNA)	Empire; one unit, probably Kongo, departing for Truk.
KONGO)	
Cardiv 1	3 CV
ZUIKAKU)	Probably Empire waters.
SHOKAKU)	
ZUIHO	Possibly Truk.

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Third Fleet (continued)

Composition	Location
Cardiv 2	2 CV
HAYATAKA (F))	Possibly Empire.
HITAKA)	
Cardiv 50	2 ACV*, 2 DD
OTAKA	Possibly Empire.
RYUHO*)	Uncertain.
Unident.)	
DD YUKAZE)	
DD Unident.)	
UNYO)	Yokosuka; depart April 3 for Truk.
CHUYO)	
HOSHO	Uncertain. Possibly sunk.
	1 CV, 2 ACV
Crudiv 7	3 CA
KUMANO (F))	Kure, overhauling.
SUZUYA)	
MOGAMI	Believed sunk.
Crudiv 8	2 CA
TONE)	Possibly Empire.
CHIKUMA)	
Desron 10	19 DD
Desdiv 4)	Truk-Melanesia area with some units Empire.
Desdiv 10)	
Desdiv 17)	
Desdiv 61)	
Desdiv 16)	

SUMMARY

2 BB	4 CA**
6 CV	13 DD***
4 ACV	

* It is not definitely established whether the RYUHO is a CV or ACV, but it is believed to be the latter.

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*** 8 DD " " 21 " " " are " "

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IV. Fourth Fleet

Composition	Location	
CL - KASHIMA (F)	Uncertain.	1 CL
TENYO MARU	Uncertain. 1 XCM	
Second Surface Escort Unit		6 DD, 1 CM
TSUGARU (F)	Uncertain.	
Desdiv 29	Probably Truk area.	
ASANAGI (DD)	Marshalls area.	
MINEKAZE (DD))	Probably Truk area.	
HATAKAZE (DD))		
3rd Base Force	13 XPG, 4 XPC, 3 XAM Probably most of these units sent to Rabaul and N.W. New Guinea from Palao.	
4th Base Force	10 XPG, 6 XPC, 3 XAM	Truk area
5th Base Force	10 XPG, 8 XPC, 3 XAM Probably most of these units sent to Rabaul from Saipan.	
6th Base Force	CM-TOKIWA, 24 XPG, 8 XAM, 9 XPC, 1 AGS Marshalls with part probably at Makin, Wake, and Solomons.	

SUMMARY

1 CL	1 AGS
4 DD*	58 XPG
2 CM	25 XPC
1 XCM	17 XAM

* 2 DD out of 6 enumerated in composition is considered lost.

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V. Fifth Fleet

Composition	Location
Crudiv 21	2 CL
KISO)	Probably west of Attu.
TAMA)	
Crudiv 22	3 XCL
AKAGI MARU (F))	Probably west of Attu.
AWATA MARU)	
ASAKA MARU)	
Northern Patrol Forces	About 45 misc. armed merchant patrol vessels.
Patdivs 1-5 incl.	Patrolling in N.W. Pacific
Inshore Picket Boat Force	About 100 misc. fishing craft. Patrolling off Japan coasts.
Chichijima Area Special Base Force	2 XPG, 4 XAM, 4 PC — Chichijima
Kuriles Defense Force	1 AGS / Misc. others — Kuriles
La Perouse Strait Patrol	1 IB (AT) / Misc. others
OTOMARI	N. Hokkaido waters.
SHIOKAZE	Uncertain.
HACHIJO	Unknown
KAMITSU MARU	Probably N.W. Pacific
	1 DD, 1 CM, 1 XPG
5th Defense Force	Misc.Aux. & small craft — Kiska

SUMMARY

2 CL	4 PC
1 DD	1 AGS
3 XCL	1 IB (AT)
1 CM	45 Misc. armed merchant patrol ships
3 XPG	Misc.
4 XAM	

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VI. Sixth Fleet

Composition	Location	
KATORI, flagship	Probably Truk.	1 CL
Subron 1		2 XAS, 10 SS
I-9 (FF)	Empire, repairing until about May 1.	
XAS - HEIAN MARU	Uncertain.	
XAS - NISSO MARU	Uncertain.	
Subdiv 2	I-25 due East of Fiji April 3. Other units Rabaul-New Guinea area.	
Subdiv 15	I-31 northern Kuriles. I-32 due East of Fiji April 2.	
Subron 2		1 AS, 1 XAS, 5 SS
AS - CHOGEI (F)*		
XAS - MANZYU MARU		
Subdiv 7	I-5 Lae; I-6 Rabaul; I-2 and I-7 Yokosuka overhauling	
Subdiv 8	I-8 overhauling, probably in Empire.	
Subron 3		2 XAS, 12 SS
XAS - YASUKUNI MARU (F)	Possibly Bismarks.	
I-11 (FF)	Possibly Jaluit.	
XAS - URAKAMI MARU	Possibly Truk.	
Subdiv 12	I-169 and I-171 Aleutians; I-176 Truk damaged; other units Bismarks.	
Subdiv 18	Uncertain.	
Subron 8		1 XAS, 9 SS
I-10 (FF)	Probably Empire, overhauling.	
XAS - HIEI MARU	Possibly Truk.	
Subdiv 1	I-16 and I-20 transporting from Rabaul to Lae.	
Subdiv 3	Probably Bismarks.	
Subdiv 14	Probably Indian Ocean.	
Subron 13	Unlocated	Composition unknown.
Subron 15	Unlocated	Composition unknown.
SOYO MARU	1 XAS	Home waters.

SUMMARY

1 CL	1 AS
31 SS**	7 XAS

* Tentative.

** 5 SS out of total of 36 enumerated in composition are considered lost.

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VII. Eighth Fleet

Composition	Location
CA – CHOKAI Acting (F)	Departs Yokosuka April 3 for Truk
	1 CA
Crudiv 6	
AOBA	Possibly Kavieng
	1 CA
CL – TATSUTA	Probably Empire
CL – YUBARI	Uncertain
	2 CL
WAKATAKA	Possibly Hollandia area
SHIRATAKA	Possibly Kavieng area
	2 CM
Seaplatendiv 11	1 CVS, 3 XCVS
CHITOSE)	Some units Rabaul-North Solomons
KAMIKAWA MARU)	
KUNIKAWA MARU)	
KIYOKAWA MARU	Uncertain
Desron 3	1 CL, 12 DD
SENDAI (F)	Possibly North Solomons
Desdiv 8)	Probably Bismarcks-North Solomons with some units Empire
Desdiv 11)	
Desdiv 19	Two units possibly Soerabaya area.
Desron 4	1 CL, 10 DD
NAGARA (F)	Uncertain
Desdiv 2	Possibly Rabaul-N. Solomons
Desdiv 9	Probably North Solomons
Desdiv 27	Some units Empire, some Truk
Desdiv 30	Uncertain
Subron 7	1 AS, 4 SS
AS – JINGEI (F)	Possibly Truk
Subdiv 13	I-123 Lae, transporting from Rabaul
Subdiv 21	RO-34 Rabaul.
8th Base Force	Rabaul with some units in Solomons, Wewak, Madang, Hollandia, and Manokwari 3 TB, 2 AM, 7 PC, 16 XPG, 14 Patrol Boats
2nd Special Base Force – Wewak	3 PC, Misc.
7th Base Force – Lae	Misc.

SUMMARY

2 CA	5 SS	2 CM	10 PC
3 CL*	1 CVS	3 TB	1 AS
14 DD**	3 XCVS	2 AM	16 XPG
			14 Patrol Boats

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** 1 DD out of 22 enumerated in composition are considered lost.

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VIII. Eleventh Air Fleet

Composition	Location
Airflot 21	
Airflot 22	1 APV
FUJIKAWA MARU	Probably Empire, departing for Marshalls.
Airflot 23	1 XCVS
OKITSU MARU	Probably Marshalls
Airflot 24	1 CVS, 1 APV
KAMOI (F)	Uncertain
GOSHU MARU	
Airflot 25	1 APV
NARUTO MARU	Possibly enroute south from Empire
Airflot 26	1 CVS, 1 APV
AKITSUSHIMA)	Uncertain
MOGAMIGAWA MARU)	
KAMOGAWA MARU)	Unknown
KEIYO MARU)	
LYONS MARU)	3 APV
Desdiv 34	Possibly Rabaul-North Solomons
	2 DD

SUMMARY
2 DD
2 CVS
1 XCVS
7 APV

Attached to Combined Fleet

CHIYODA	Uncertain
NISSHIN	Uncertain
NOTORO	Probably Singapore
KIMIKAWA MARU	Unknown
SAGARA MARU	Uncertain
SANUKI MARU	Uncertain
SANYO MARU	Uncertain
YASUKAWA MARU	Uncertain
	3 CVS, 5 XCVS

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Composition	Location
AIKOKU MARU	Uncertain
GOKOKU MARU	Due Soerabaya March 31 from Ambon
KIYOZUMI MARU	Uncertain
KONGO MARU	Unknown
NOSHIRO MARU	Probably Truk, damaged
SEICHO MARU	Uncertain
	6 XCL
Desdiv 7	Uncertain
	3 DD
Subron 5	1 AS, 2 XAS, 7 SS
AS - KOMABASHI (F)	Probably N.W. Pacific
XAS - RIO DE JANEIRO MARU	Uncertain
XAS - ARATAMA MARU	
Subdiv 19	
Subdiv 28	
Subron 6	1 XAS
XAS - NAGOYA MARU	Possibly Rabaul area

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AR - AKASHI	Probably Rabaul
ARS -NAGAURA	Probably Rabaul area
AH - HIKAWA MARU	Truk
AO - IRO	Probably Kwajalein, damaged
AO - HAYATOMO	Singapore, apparently under repair
AO - SHIRETOKO	Ponape area.
AO - TONAN MARU # 2	Yokohama, damaged
AO - KYOKUTO MARU	Rabaul, enroute Singapore from Truk
AO - SHOYO MARU	Kure
AO - TATEKAWA MARU	Probably departing Empire for Singapore
AO - OMUROSAN MARU	

SUMMARY

2 DD*	1 AS
6 SS**	20 AO
6 XCL	3 AF
3 CVS	2 AR
5 XCVS	1 AF
3 XAS	20 AH
	7 ARS

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**One SS of 7 " " " " " "

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B. SOUTHWEST AREA FLEET

Composition	Location	
IX.	First Southern Expeditionary Fleet	
KASHII (F)	N.E.I.	1 CL
SHIMUSHU	Uncertain. Probably Malay area	1 CM
9th Special Base Force	– Penang	Misc.
10th Special Base Force	– Singapore	Misc.
11th Special Base Force	– Saigon	Misc.
12th Special Base Force	– Rangoon	Misc.

SUMMARY
1 CL Misc.
1 CM

X.	Second Southern Expeditionary Fleet	
ASHIGARA	Probably Soerabaya area	1 CA
Crudiv 16	4 CL	
NATORI	Singapore, damaged	
KINU, KUMA, ISUZU	Probably N.E.I.	
21st Special Base Force	– Soerabaya	3 AM & Misc.
22nd Special Base Force	– Balikpapan	Misc.
23rd Special Base Force	– Makassar 1 CM, 2 TB & Misc.	
24th Special Base Force	– Ambon, with some units at Toeal 1 CM, 2 TB & Misc.	
25th Special Base Force	– Manokwari, with some units Fak Fak and Kaimana 4 XPG, 3 XPC, 2 AM, Misc.	
Gunboat Div. 2	NEI waters	4 XPG
Survey Div. 1	NEI waters	2 AGS

SUMMARY

1 CA	8 XPG	2 AGS	
4 CL	3 XPC	3 AM	
2 CM	4 TB	Misc.	

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XI. Third Southern Expeditionary Fleet

Composition	Location	
YAEYAMA (?)	Philippines	1 CM
31st Special Base Force	Manila	2 AM & Misc.
32nd " " "	Davao	Misc.
Survey Serv. 2	Philippines	2 AGS

SUMMARY

1 CM 2 AGS
2 AM Misc.

Attached to Southwest Area Fleet

Composition	Location	
Subdiv 30	Two units Empire	3 SS
Torpedo Boat Div 11	One unit Soerabaya area with others possibly Wake	3 TB
First Surface Escort Unit		15 DD, 2 TB, 1 XPG
Desdiv 22	Transporting from Kavieng to Finschhafen	
Desdiv 13	Escorting South and East China Seas	
" 32		
MIKATSUKE (DD)		
HOKAZE (DD)		
ASAKAZE (DD)		
MATSUKAZE (DD)		
KARUKAZE (DD)		
PEKING MARU	Unknown	

SUMMARY

12 DD*
3 SS
5 TB
1 XPG

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C. NAVAL FORCES IN CHINA

Composition	Location	
Shanghai Base Force -	Shanghai	1 PR & Misc.
Desdiv 26	China coast	3 DD
Nanking Base Force	Nanking	Misc.
Central China Force		
UJI (F)	China coast	1 PG
Patdiv 11	Yangtze River	11 PR
Hankow Base Force -	Hankow	Misc.
Gunboat Div.	China coast	2 PG, 3 XPG
South China Force		
HASHIDATE (F)	Hongkong	1 PG
Minron 1	South China coast	1 PG, 2 AM
Guard Divs 15 & 16 -	South China coast	6 XPG
Canton Base Force -	Canton	Misc.
Amoy Base Force -	Amoy	Misc.
Hainan Defense Force -	Hainan with 1 TB Bismarcks -	1 TB & Misc.
North China Force		
Gunboat Divs 1,2,13,14 -	Gulf of Pechili	8 XPG
Tsingtao Base Force -	Tsingtao	Misc.

SUMMARY OF NAVAL FORCES IN CHINA AND HOME DEFENSE FORCES

3 Training vessels	1 TB
10 DD	1 DM
3 SS	2 AM
2 CM	12 PR
5 PG	17 XPG
	Misc.

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D. HOME DEFENSE FORCES

Kure Defense Force

Kure Naval District Force
Subdiv 33

Kure
1 Training vessel, Misc. Patrol craft
3 SS
Probably home waters

Yokosuka Defense Force

Yokosuka
1 Training vessel, Misc.
Desdiv 1 - 3 DD Possibly Solomons

Sasebo Defense Force

Sasebo
Misc. Patrol Craft

Maizuru Defense Force

Maizuru
1 Training vessel, Misc. Patrol craft

Ominato " "

Ominato
1 DM, 2 CM, Misc. Patrol Craft
Desdiv 3 - 4 DD Empire with 1 unit Muroran

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3 CM	3 CA*	YAKUMO, IZUMO, IWATE
29 DM	5 CL**	NAKA, AGANO, OYODO, NOSHIRO, YAHAGI
6 AM	6 DD***	Some units New Guinea-Bismarks
	37 SS	Some units Aleutians, Empire, Truk, Jaluit, Rabaul, Southern Solomons, New Hebrides-Fiji-New Caledonia area and off Brisbane and Fanning Island area.

* New CA's believed to have been commissioned in 1942 and probably of a new and heavier design.

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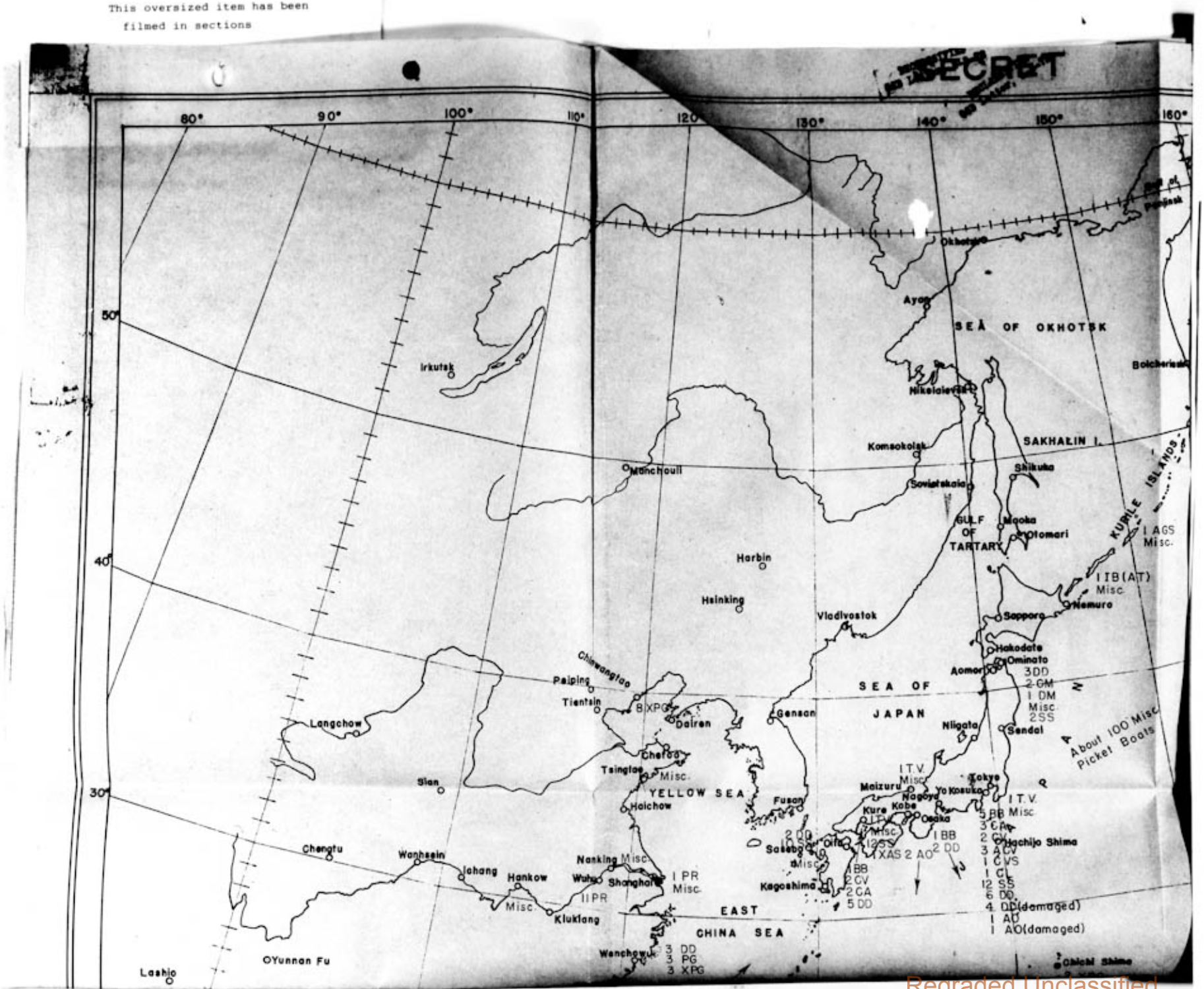
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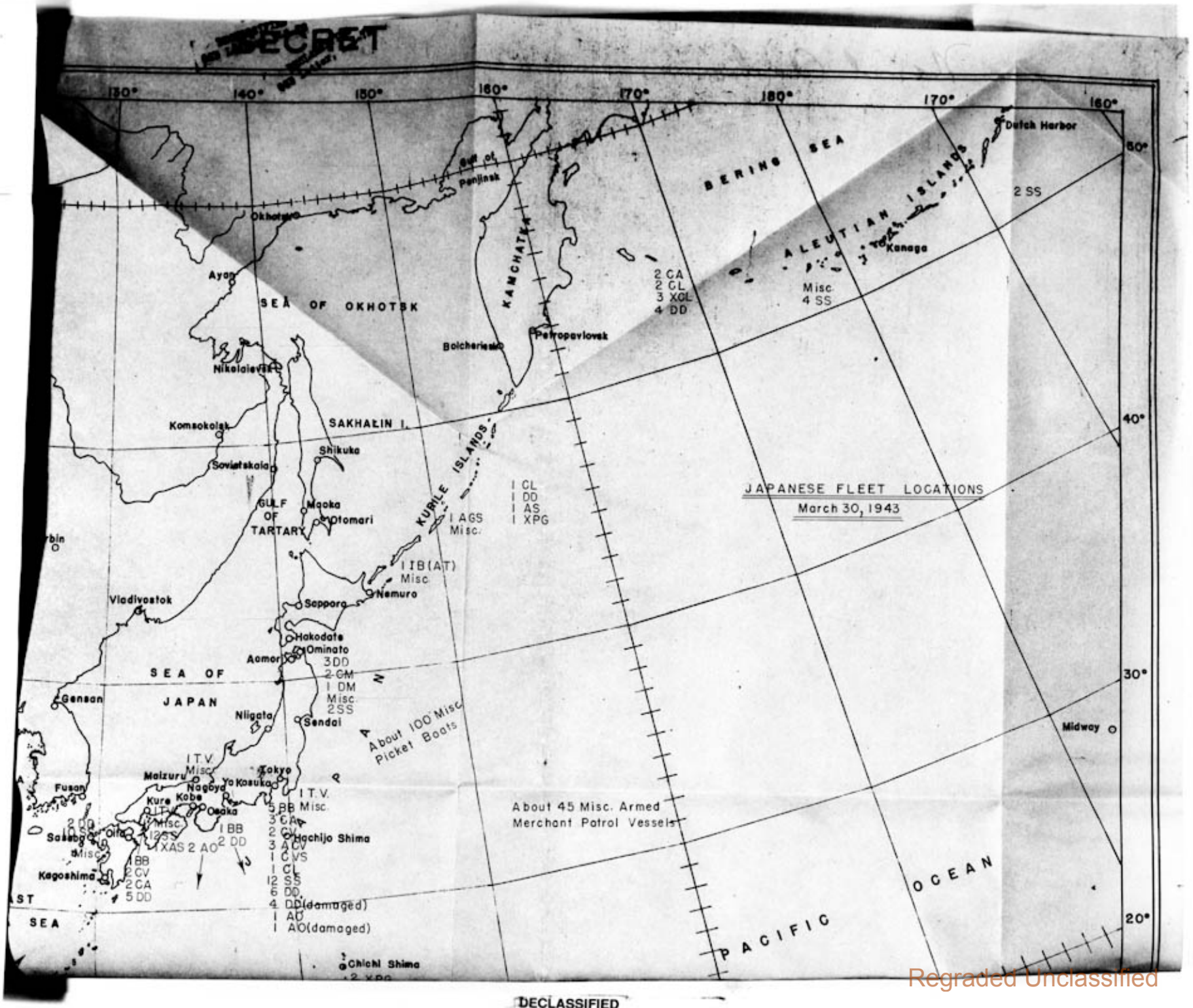
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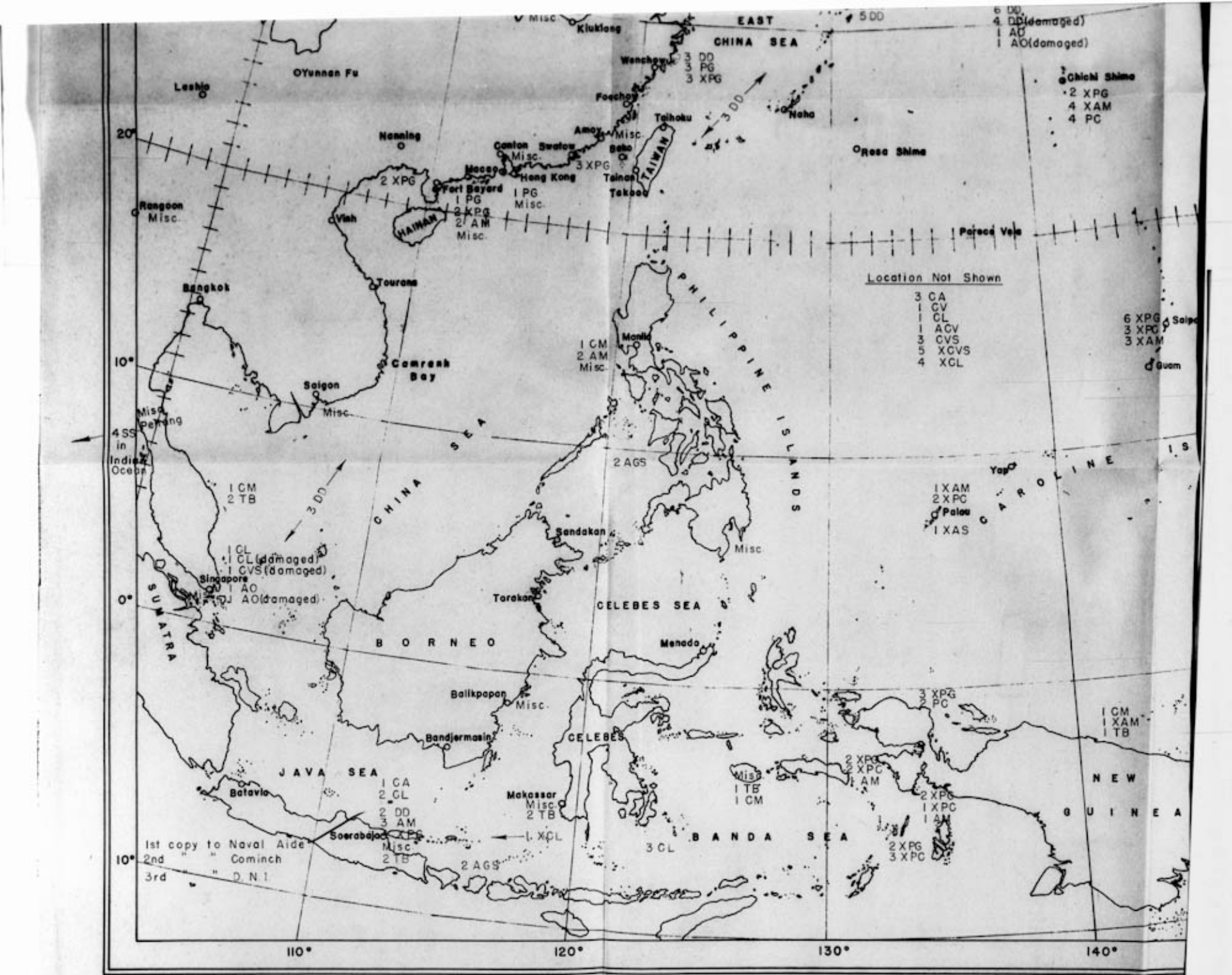
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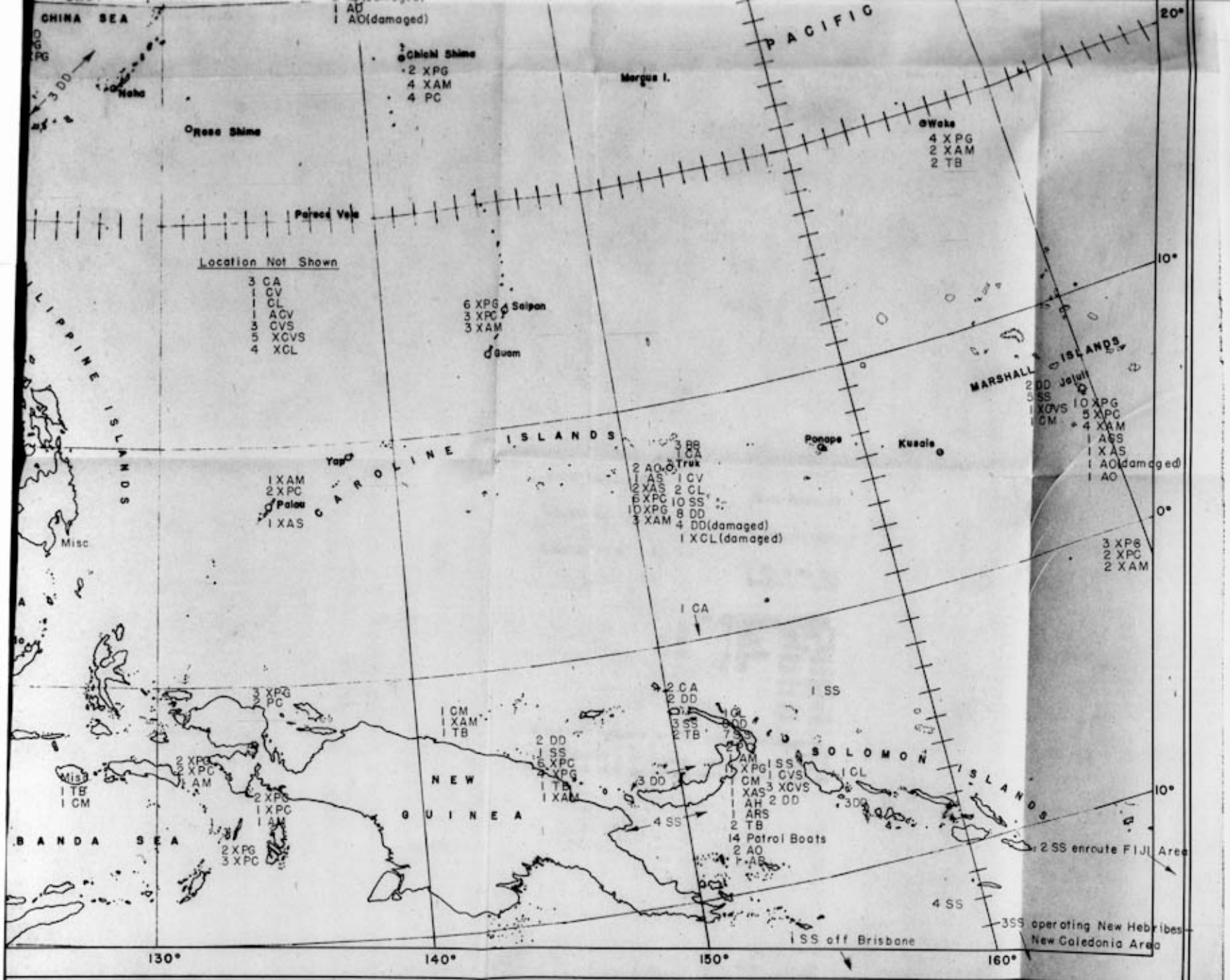
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SUBJECT: German Fleet Disposition.

Type	Ship Name	Location	Last Reported Date
BB	TIRPITZ (1)	Ofotfjord, Narvik area	March 19, 1943
BB	SCHARNHORST (2)	Probably Ofotfjord, Narvik area	March 19, 1943
BB	GNEISENAU	Gdynia	March 8, 1943
OBB	SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN	Gdynia	March 8, 1943
OBB	SCHLESIEN	Gdynia	March 8, 1943
CV	GRAF ZEPPELIN	Kiel; in floating dock	March 7, 1943
CA	ADMIRAL SCHEER	Wilhelmshaven	March 19, 1943
CA	LUETZOW (3)	Probably Ofotfjord, Narvik area	March 19, 1943
CA	SEYDLITZ	Bremen; being dismantled	March 19, 1943
CA	PRINZ EUGEN	Gdynia	March 8, 1943
CA	ADMIRAL HIPPER	Wilhelmshaven; in dry dock	March 19, 1943
CL	NUERNBERG (4)	Probably Ofotfjord, Narvik area	March 19, 1943
CL	LEIPZIG (5)	Probably in Central Baltic	Feb. 8, 1943
CL	KOELN	Kiel	March 7, 1943
CL	EMDEN	Unknown	March 9, 1943
DDs (6)			
	7-8 Units	Northern Norway	Feb. 22, 1943
	9-10 Units	German North Sea and Baltic Ports	Feb. 22, 1943
TORPEDO BOATS			
	2 Units	Norwegian Ports	Feb. 22, 1943
	3 Units	German North Sea Ports	Feb. 22, 1943
ca.	12 Units	German Baltic Ports	Feb. 22, 1943
	10/12 Units	Biscay and Channel	Feb. 22, 1943
SSs	THE FOLLOWING FIGURES ARE NOT TO BE REPRODUCED IN ANY FORM: (7)		
	94 Units	French Ports	March 15, 1943
	113 Units	Atlantic Patrols	March 15, 1943
	16 Units	Norwegian Patrols and Northern Waters	Mar. 15, 1943
	12 Units	Operating in Baltic	March 15, 1943
	20 Units	Operating in Mediterranean	March 15, 1943
	6 Units	Operating in Black Sea	March 15, 1943
	41 Units	Training	March 15, 1943
	137 Units	Trials	March 15, 1943
	439 Units Total.		

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SUBJECT: German Fleet Disposition (Continued)

Notes:

(1) TIRPITZ previously reported off Agdenes, Norway, March 11, 1943.
(2) SCHARNHORST previously reported unknown March 8, 1943.
(3) LUETZOW previously reported Altenfjord,,Northern Norway, Feb. 4, 1943.
(4) NUERNBERG previously reported "probably in northern Norway" Feb. 1, 1943.
(5) LEIPZIG was last seen November 11, 1942, when she was at Gdynia.
(6) Three DDs were reported at Bordeaux March 13, 1943.
(7) SSs previously reported. NOT TO BE REPRODUCED IN ANY FORM:

96 Units	French Ports	March 8, 1943
111 Units	Atlantic Patrols	March 8, 1943
16 Units	Norwegian Patrols and Northern Waters	Mar.8, 1943
12 Units	Operating in Baltic	March 8, 1943
20 Units	Operating in Mediterranean	March 8, 1943
6 Units	Operating in Black Sea	March 8, 1943
41 Units	Training	March 8, 1943
132 Units	Trials	March 8, 1943
434 Units Total		

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DISPOSITION OF ITALIAN FLEET.

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
BB	2 CAVOUR Class	Taranto	March 5, 1943
CL	3 Units	"	March 5, 1943
DD	12 Units (*)	"	February 28, 1943
SS	13 Units (*)	"	February 28, 1943
SS	3 Units (*)	Augusta	February 28, 1943
DD	6 Units (*)	Messina	March 12, 1943
SS	6 Units (*)	"	February 28, 1943
DD	11 Units (*)	Palermo	March 17, 1943
DD	4 Units	Trapani	March 13, 1943
SS	8 Units (*)	Cagliari	February 28, 1943
CA	2 Units	Maddalena	February 28, 1943
SS	4 Units (*)	"	February 28, 1943
DD	7 Units (*)	Naples	February 28, 1943
SS	8 Units (*)	"	February 28, 1943
DD	1 Unit	Castellammare di Stabia	March 4, 1943
SS	1 Unit	" " "	March 4, 1943
CGL	3 Units	Livorno (guardships)	September 30, 1943
BB	LITTORIO	La Spezia	February 24, 1943
BB	VITTORIO VENETO	" "	February 24, 1943
BB	ROMA	" "	February 24, 1943
CA	1 Unit	" " (repairing)	February 24, 1943
CL	1 Unit	" " (repairing)	February 24, 1943
DD	11 Units (*)	" "	February 24, 1943
SS	6 Units (*)	" "	February 24, 1943
ACV	ROMA (Ex-Liner)	Genoa (building)	February 28, 1943
ACV	Ex-REGOLO Class CL	" (building)	February 28, 1943
CL	1 Unit (*)	"	February 28, 1943
SS	4 Units	" (2 in drydock)	January 28, 1943
DD	1 Unit	Venice	December 23, 1942
DD	2 Units	Fiume	December 23, 1942
SS	2 Units	"	December 23, 1942

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Disposition of Italian Fleet (cont'd)

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
DD	2 Units	Monfalcone	December 23, 1942
SS	0 Units (*)	"	December 23, 1942
BB	CAVOUR	Trieste (repairing)	December 23, 1942
BB	IMPERO	" (building)	December 23, 1942
ACV	AUGUSTUS (Ex-Liner)	" (building)	March 3, 1943
CL	1 Unit	Pola	December 23, 1942
SS	7 Units	"	December 23, 1942
DD	6 Units (*)	Aegean & Dodecanese Is.	February 28, 1943
SS	5 Units (*)	" " " "	February 28, 1943
SS	9 Units (*)	Bordeaux	February 28, 1943
BB	1 CAVOUR Class	Unknown	
CL	1 Unit (*)	"	
DD	35 Units (*)	"	
SS	0 Units (*)	"	

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Disposition of the French (Vichy) Fleet

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE	
BB	DUNKERQUE	Toulon (damaged)	December 21, 1942	
BB	STRASBOURG	" (damaged)	February 20, 1943	
OBB	PROVENCE	" (damaged)	February 15, 1943	
CA	4 Units	" (all damaged)	February 15, 1943	
CL	3 Units	" (all damaged)	January 4, 1943	
DL	18 Units	" (15 damaged)	February 15, 1943	
DD	15 Units	" (12 damaged	February 15, 1943	
SS	7 Units	" (2 damaged)	December 21, 1942	
DL	1 Unit	Bizerte (damaged)	December 21, 1942	
DD	0 Units (*)	"	February 28, 1943	(1)
SS	9 Units	"	December 21, 1942	
CL	1 Unit	Saigon	December 21, 1942	
SS	1 Unit	"	December 21, 1942	
DD	3 Units (*)	Unknown	February 28, 1943	(1)
SS	5 Units	"		

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(1) Air reconnaissance of Bizerte February 28 reports DD's have disappeared and are presumed in Italy.

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French Naval Vessels Under Fighting French or Allied Operational Control

BB RICHELIEU
~~BB JEAN BART~~
CRS COURBET
CRS PARIS
CL GEORGES LEYGUES
CL GLOIRE
CL MONTCALM
DL 7 Units (3 damaged)
DD 13 Units (6 damaged)
SS 23 Units (1 possibly sunk)

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Immobilized French Vessels

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
ORB	LORRAINE	Alexandria	December 1, 1942
CA	3 Units	"	December 1, 1942
CL	1 Unit	"	December 1, 1942
DD	3 Units	"	December 1, 1942
SS	1 Unit	"	December 1, 1942
CV	BEARN	Martinique	February 19, 1943
CL	1 Unit	"	February 19, 1943
CL	1 Unit	Guadeloupe	March 16, 1943
SS	1 Unit	Spain	February 1, 1943

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MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Estimated Japanese Fleet Locations.

A. COMBINED FLEET

BB - YAMATO (Flag of CinC, Combined Fleet)

I. First Fleet

Composition	Location
Batdiv 1	4 BB
YAMATO (F)	Probably Truk.
NAGATO)	Probably in home waters
HYUGA)	
ISE)	
Batdiv 2	4 BB
MUTSU)	Possibly Truk Area.
MUSASHI)	
FUSO)	Probably in home waters.
YAMASHIRO)	
Crudiv 9	2 CL
OI)	Probably Soerabaya.
KITAGAMI)	
Desron 1	1 CL, 5 DD
ABUKUMA (F)	Probably N.W. Pacific
Desdiv 6)	Probably Northwest Pacific
Desdiv 21)	

SUMMARY
8 BB
3 CL
4 DD*

* 1 DD out of 5 enumerated in composition is considered lost.

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II. Second Fleet

Composition	Location
Crudiv 4	3 CA
~~ATAGO (F)~~	Uncertain.
TAKAO	Possibly Rabaul.
~~MAYA~~	Uncertain.
Crudiv 5	3 CA
~~MYOKO~~	Uncertain.
HAGURO	Possibly Truk area.
~~NACHI~~	Uncertain.
Desron 2	1 CL, 9 DD
~~JINTSU (F)~~	Uncertain.
Desdiv 15)	Truk-Melanesia area.
Desdiv 24)	
Desdiv 31)	

SUMMARY
6 CA
1 CL
6 DD*

* 3 DD out of total of 9 enumerated in composition are considered lost.

III. Third Fleet

~~ZUIKAKU~~ (Acting Flag)

Composition	Location
Batdiv 3	2 BB
~~HARUNA~~)	Probably Empire.
KONGO)	
Cardiv 1	3 CV
~~ZUIKAKU~~)	Probably Empire waters.
~~SHOKAKU~~)	
ZUIHO	Possibly Truk.

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Third Fleet (continued)

Composition	Location
Cardiv 2	2 CV
HAYATAKA (F))	Possibly Empire.
HITAKA)	
Cardiv 50	1 ACV*, 2 DD
CHITAKA	Empire.
Unident. CV or ACV)	Uncertain.
Unident.)	
DD YUKAZE)	
DD Unident.)	
UNYO)	Uncertain.
CHUYO)	
HOSHO	Uncertain. Possibly sunk.
	1 CV, 2 ACV
Crudiv 7	3 CA
KUMANO (F))	Possibly Truk.
SUZUYA)	
MOGAMI	Believed sunk.
Crudiv 8	2 CA
TONE)	Possibly Empire.
CHIKUMA)	
Desron 10	19 DD
Desdiv 4)	Truk-Melanesia area with some units Empire.
Desdiv 10)	
Desdiv 17)	
Desdiv 61)	
Desdiv 16)	

SUMMARY

2 BB	4 CA**
6 CV*	13 DD***
3 ACV*	

* In addition there is believed to be in commission one or two unidentified CV or ACV, possibly named RYUHO and/or ex-TAIGEI (AS).
** 1 CA out of 5 enumerated in composition is considered lost.
*** 8 DD " " 21 " " " are " "

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IV. Fourth Fleet

Composition	Location	
CL - KASHIMA (F)	Possibly Jaluit	1 CL
TENYO MARU	Uncertain.	1 XCM
Subron 7		1 AS, 4 SS
AS - JINGEI (F)	Possibly Truk.	
Subdiv 21	Southern Solomons.	
Subdiv 26	Probably Aleutians.	
Second Surface Escort Unit		6 DD, 1 CM
TSUGARU (F)	Uncertain.	
Desdiv 29	Probably Truk area	
ASANAGI (DD)	Marshalls area.	
MINEKAZE (DD))	Probably Truk area.	
HATAKAZE (DD))		
3rd Base Force		13 XPG, 4 XPC, 3 XAM
	Probably most of these units sent to Rabaul and N.W. New Guinea from Palao.	
4th Base Force		10 XPG, 6 XPC, 3 XAM Truk area
5th Base Force		10 XPG, 8 XPC, 3 XAM
	Probably most of these units sent to Rabaul from Saipan.	
6th Base Force		CM-TOKIWA, 24 XPG, 8 XAM, 9 XPC, 1 AGS
	Marshalls with part probably at Makin, Wake, and Solomons.	

SUMMARY

1 CL	1 XCM
4 DD*	1 AGS
4 SS	58 XPG
2 CM	25 XPC
1 AS	17 XAM

* 2 DD out of 6 enumerated in composition is considered lost.

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V. Fifth Fleet

Composition	Location
Crudiv 21	2 CL
KISO)	Probably N.W. Pacific
TAMA)	
Crudiv 22	3 XCL
AKAGI MARU (F)	Probably Yokosuka Area
AWATA MARU)	Probably N.W. Pacific
ASAKA MARU)	
Northern Patrol Forces	About 45 misc. armed merchant patrol vessels.
Patdivs 1-5 incl.	Patrolling in N.W. Pacific
Inshore Picket Boat Force	About 100 misc. fishing craft. Patrolling off Japan coasts.
Kuriles Defense Force	1 AGS / Misc. others — Kuriles
La Perouse Strait Patrol	1 IB (AT) / Misc. others
OTOMARI	N. Hokkaido waters.
SHIOKAZE	Uncertain.
HACHIJO	Unknown
KAMITSU MARU	Probably N.W. Pacific
	1 DD, 1 CM, 1 XPG
5th Defense Force	Misc.Aux. & small craft — Kiska

SUMMARY

2 CL	1 AGS
1 DD	1 IB (AT)
3 XCL	45 Misc. armed merchant patrol ships
1 CM	Misc.
1 XPG	

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VI. Sixth Fleet

Composition	Location
KATORI, flagship	Probably Truk area. 1 CL
Subron 1	2 XAS, 10 SS
I-9 (FF)	Empire, repairing until about May 1.
XAS - HEIAN MARU	Uncertain.
XAS - NISSO MARU	Uncertain.
Subdiv 2	Some units Rabaul-New Guinea area.
Subdiv 15	I-31 northern Kuriles.
Subdiv 32	Unknown.
Subron 2	1 AS 1 XAS, 5 SS
AS - CHOGEI (F)*	
XAS - MANZYU MARU	
Subdiv 7	I-5 Rabaul area.
Subdiv 8	I-8 Jaluit.
Subron 3	2 XAS, 12 SS
XAS - YASUKUNI MARU (F)	Possibly Bismarks.
I-11 (FF)	Uncertain.
XAS - URAKAMI MARU	Possibly Truk.
Subdiv 12	I-169 and I-171 Aleutians; other units Bismarks.
Subdiv 18	Uncertain.
Subron 8	1 XAS, 9 SS
I-10 (FF)	Uncertain.
XAS - HIEI MARU	Possibly Truk.
Subdiv 1	Rabaul area.
Subdiv 3	Probably Bismarks.
Subdiv 14	Probably Indian Ocean.
Subron 13	Unlocated — Composition unknown.
Subron 15	Unlocated — Composition unknown.
SOYO MARU	1 XAS — Home waters.

SUMMARY

1 CL	1 AS
31 SS**	7 XAS

* Tentative.

** 5 SS out of total of 36 enumerated in composition are considered lost.

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VII. Eighth Fleet

Composition	Location
CA – CHOKAI	Uncertain
Acting (F)	1 CA
Crudiv 6	1 CA
AOBA	Probably Kavieng
CL – TATSUTA	Probably Empire
CL – YUBARI	Uncertain
	2 CL
WAKATAKA	Possibly Hollandia area
SHIRATAKA	Possibly Kavieng area
	2 CM
Seaplatendiv 11	1 CVS, 3 XCVS
CHITOSE	Some units Rabaul-North Solomons
KAMIKAWA MARU	
KUNIKAWA MARU	
KIYOKAWA MARU	Uncertain
Desron 3	1 CL, 12 DD
SENDAI (F)	Possibly North Solomons
Desdiv 8	Probably Biamarcks-North Solomons with some units Empire
Desdiv 11	
Desdiv 19	Possibly Soerabaya area with one unit Truk area
Desron 4	1 CL, 11 DD
NAGARA (F)	Uncertain
Desdiv 2	Possibly Rabaul-N. Solomons
Desdiv 9	Probably North Solomons
Desdiv 27	Some units Empire, some Truk
Desdiv 30	Uncertain
8th Base Force	Rabaul with some units in Solomons, Wewak, Madang, Hollandia, and Manokwari 3 TB, 2 AM, 6 PC, 16 XPG, 14 Patrol Boats
2nd Special Base Force – Wewak	Misc.

SUMMARY

2 CA 3 TB
3 CL* 4 AM
14 DD**6 PC
1 CVS 20 XPG
3 XCVS 3 XPC
2 CM 14 Patrol Boats

* 1 CL out of 4 enumerated in composition is considered lost.
**9 DD " " 23 " " " are " "

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VIII. Eleventh Air Fleet

Composition	Location
Airflot 21	
Airflot 22	1 APV
FUJIKAWA MARU	Uncertain
Airflot 23	1 XCVS
OKITSU MARU	Marshalls
Airflot 24	1 CVS, 1 APV
YAMBI (F)	Uncertain
ZOSHU MARU	
Airflot 25	1 APV
NARUTO MARU	Uncertain
Airflot 26	1 CVS, 1 APV
AKITSUSHIMA	Possibly Marshalls
MOGAMIGAWA MARU	Possibly Rabaul
KAMOGAWA MARU)	Unknown
KEIYO MARU)	
LYONS MARU)	3 APV
Desdiv 34	Possibly Rabaul-North Solomons
	2 DD

SUMMARY
2 DD
2 CVS
1 XCVS
7 APV

Attached to Combined Fleet

CHIYODA	Uncertain
NISSHIN	Uncertain
NOTORO	Probably Singapore
KIMIKAWA MARU	Unknown
SAGARA MARU	Uncertain
SANUKI MARU	Uncertain
SANYO MARU	Uncertain
YASUKAWA MARU	Uncertain
	3 CVS, 5 XCVS

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Composition	Location
AIKOKU MARU	Uncertain
GOKOKU MARU	Due Ambon Mar. 27 from Java area
KIYOZUMI MARU	Uncertain
KONGO MARU	Unknown
NOSHIRO MARU	Probably Truk, damaged.
SEICHO MARU	Uncertain
	6 XCL
Desdiv 7	Probably escorting ACV's
	3 DD
Subron 6	1 AS, 2 XAS, 7 SS
AS - KOMABASHI (F)	Probably N.W. Pacific
XAS - RIO DE JANEIRO MARU	Uncertain
XAS - ARATAMA MARU	Uncertain
Subdiv 19	Uncertain
Subdiv 28	Uncertain
Subron 6	1 XAS, 3 SS
XAS - NAGOYA MARU	Possibly Rabaul area
Subdiv 13	Possibly Truk area
Subdiv 9	I-123 due Rabaul March 26 from Kure

Fleet Train

AR - AKASHI	Probably Rabaul
ARS - NAGAURA	Probably Rabaul area
AO - IRO	Probably Kwajalein, damaged
AO - HAYATOMO	Singapore, apparently under repair
AO - TONAN MARU # 2	Yokohama, damaged
AO - AKATSUKI MARU	Due Dairen March 28 from Singapore

SUMMARY

2 DD*	1 AS
9 SS**	20 AO
6 XCL	3 AF
3 CVS	2 AR
5 XCVS	1 XAF
3 XAS	20 AH
	7 ARS

* One DD of 3 enumerated in composition is considered lost.
** One SS of 10 " " " " " "

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B. SOUTHWEST AREA FLEET

Composition	Location	
IX.	First Southern Expeditionary Fleet	
KASHII (F)	N.E.I.	1 CL
SHIMUSHU	Uncertain. Probably Malay area.	1 CM
9th Special Base Force	– Penang	Misc.
10th Special Base Force	– Singapore	Misc.
11th Special Base Force	– Saigon	Misc.
12th Special Base Force	– Rangoon	Misc.

SUMMARY
1 CL Misc.
1 CM

X	Second Southern Expeditionary Fleet	
ASHIGARA	Probably Soerabaya area	1 CA
Crudiv 16	4 CL	
NATORI	Singapore, damaged	
KINU)	Probably N.E.I.	
KUMA)		
ISUZU)		
21st Special Base Force	– Soerabaya	3 AM & Misc.
22nd Special Base Force	– Balikpapan	Misc.
23rd Special Base Force	– Makassar 1 CM, 2 TB & Misc.	
24th Special Base Force	– Ambon, with some units at Toeal 1 CM, 2 TB & Misc.	
25th Special Base Force	– Fak Fak and Kaimana 4 XPG, 3 XPC, 2 AM, Misc.	
Gunboat Div 2	NEI waters	4 XPG
Survey Div 1	NEI waters	2 AGS

SUMMARY
1 CA 4 TB
4 CL 2 AGS
2 CM 3 AM
4 XPG Misc.

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XI. Third Southern Expeditionary Fleet

Composition	Location	
YAEYAMA (F)	Philippines	1 CM
31st Special Base Force	Manila	2 AM & Misc.
32nd " " "	Davao	Misc.
Survey Div. 2	Philippines	2 AGS

SUMMARY
1 CM 2 AGS
2 AM Misc.

Attached to Southwest Area Fleet

Composition	Location	
Subdiv 30	Two units Empire	3 SS
Torpedo Boat Div 11	Possibly Wake	3 TB

First Surface Escort Unit 15 DD, 2 TB, 1 XPG

Desdiv 13 " 22 " 32 MIKATSUKI (DD) HOKAZE (DD) ASAKAZE (DD) MATSUKAZE (DD) KARUKAZE (DD)	Escorting South and East China Seas, with some units Palao and Melanesia areas
PEKING MARU	Unknown

SUMMARY
12 DD*
3 SS
5 TB
1 XPG

* 3 DD out of 15 enumerated in composition are considered lost.

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C. NAVAL FORCES IN CHINA

Composition	Location	
IZUMO (F)	Shanghai	1 CCA*
Shanghai Base Force – Shanghai		1 PR & Misc.
Desdiv 26	China coast	3 DD
Nanking Base Force	Nanking	Misc.
Central China Force		
UJI (F)	China coast	1 PG
Patdiv 11	Yangtze River	11 PR
Hankow Base Force – Hankow		Misc.
Gunboat Div.	China coast	2 PG, 3 XPG
South China Force		
HASHIDATE (F)	Hongkong	1 PG
Minron 1	South China coast	1 PG, 2 AM
Guard Divs 15 & 16 – South China coast		6 XPG
Canton Base Force – Canton		Misc.
Amoy Base Force – Amoy		Misc.
Hainan Defense Force – Hainan with 1 TB Bismarcks		1 TB & Misc.
North China Force		
Gunboat Divs 1,2,13,14 – Gulf of Pechili		8 XPG
Tsingtao Base Force – Tsingtao		Misc.

SUMMARY OF NAVAL FORCES IN CHINA AND HOME DEFENSE FORCES

3 CCA *	1 TB
3 Training vessels	1 DM
	2 AM
10 DD	4 PC
3 SS	12 PR
2 CM	19 XPG
5 PG	4 XAM
	Misc.

* Possibly scrapped and names IZUMO, YAKUMO, and IWATE given to new CA's.

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D. HOME DEFENSE FORCES

Yokosuka Defense Force	Yokosuka 1 OCA, 1 Training vessel, Misc. Desdiv 1 – 3 DD Possibly Solomons
Chichijima Area Special Base Force	2 XPG, 4 XAM, 4 PC, Chichijima
Kure Defense Force	Kure 1 Training vessel, Misc. Patrol craft
Kure Naval District Force Subdiv 33	3 SS Probably home waters
Sasebo Defense Force	Sasebo 1 OCA, Misc. Patrol Craft
Maizuru Defense Force	Maizuru 1 Training vessel, Misc. Patrol craft
Ominato " "	Ominato 1 DM, 2 CM, Misc. Patrol Craft Desdiv 3 – 4 DD Empire with 1 unit Muroran

E. ASSIGNMENT UNKNOWN

3 CM	3 CL*	– NAKA, AGANO, OYODO
29 DM 6 AM	6 DD**	Some units New Guinea–Bismarks
	37 SS	Some units Aleutians, Empire, Truk, Jaluit, Rabaul, Southern Solomons, New Hebrides–Fiji–New Caledonia area and off Brisbane and Fanning Island area.

* 2 CL out of 3 enumerated above are considered lost. In addition there are possibly 2 new CL's, YAHAGI and NOSHIRO.

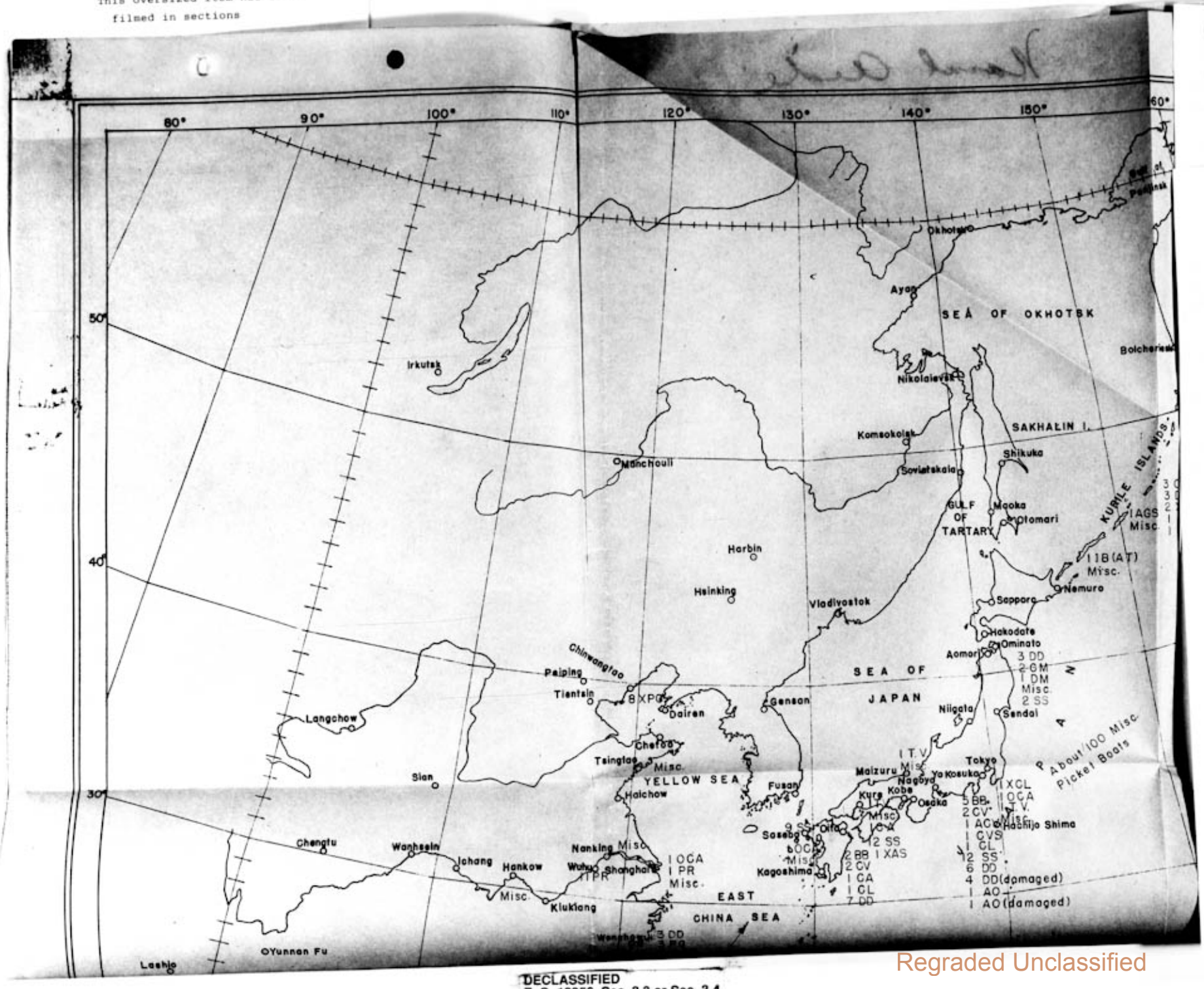
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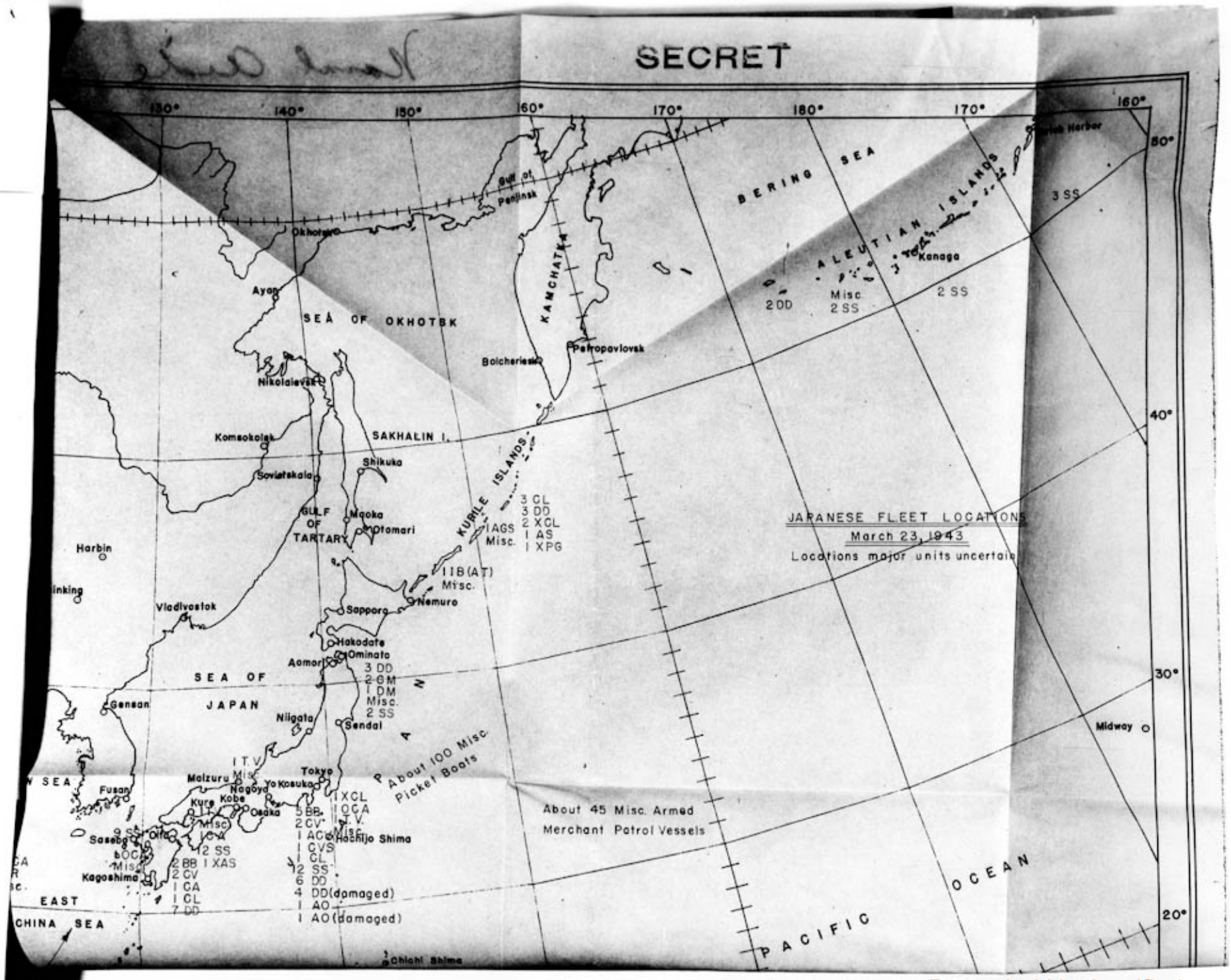
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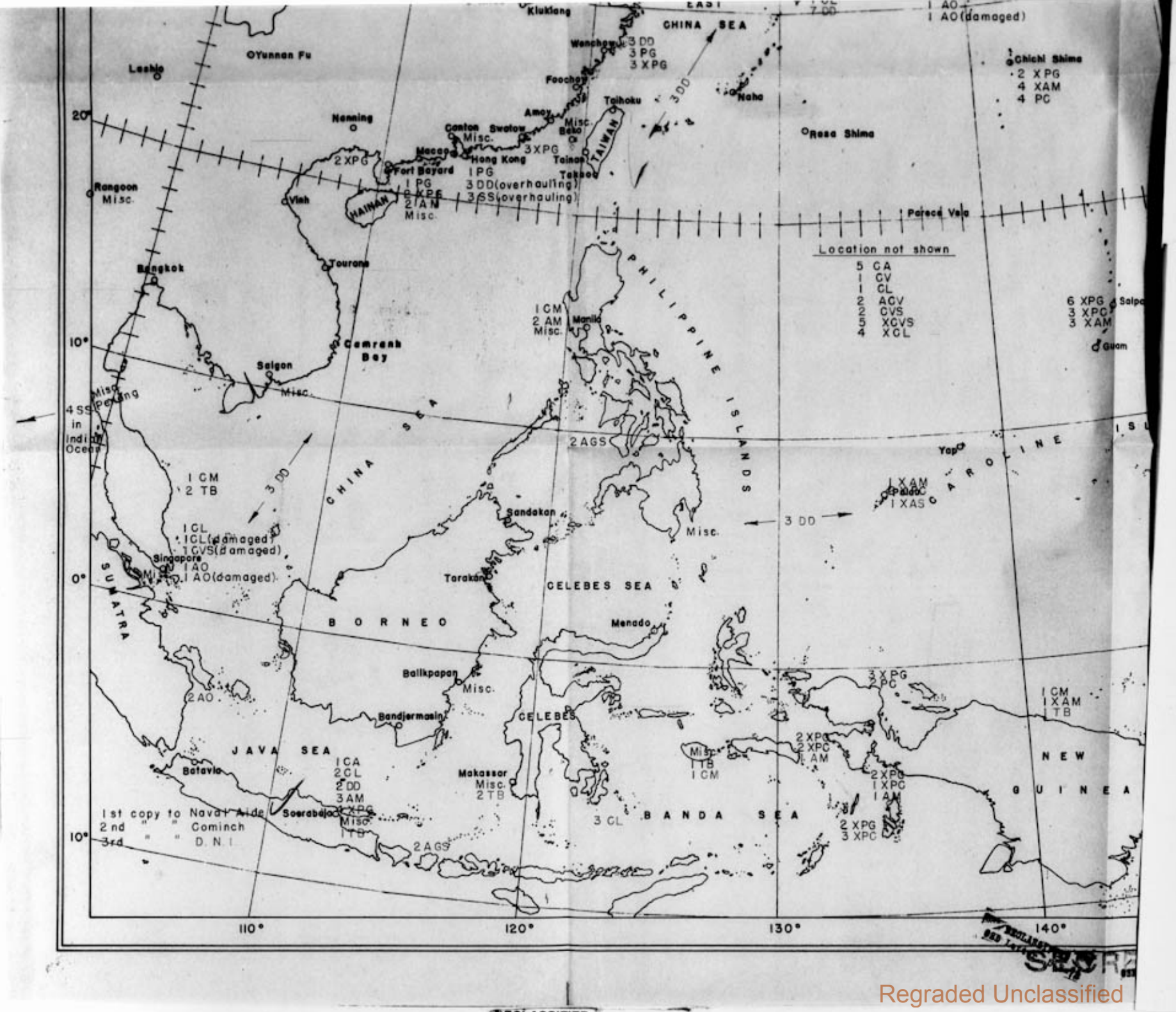
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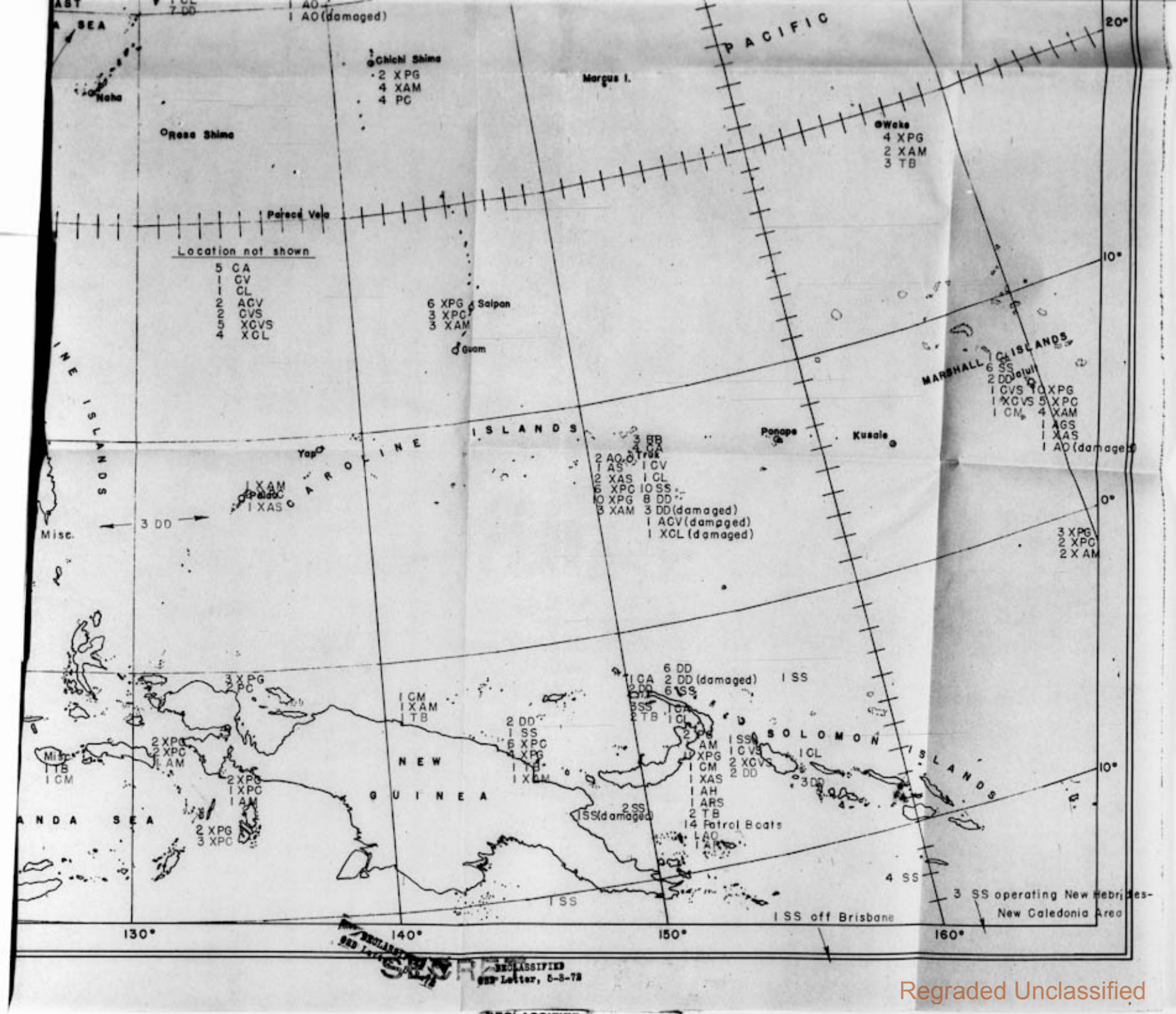
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SUBJECT: German Fleet Disposition.

Type	Ship Name	Location	Last Reported Date
BB	TIRPITZ (1)	Off Agdenes, Norway	March 11, 1943
BB	SCHARNHORST (2)	Unknown	March 8, 1943
BB	GNEISENAU	Gdynia	March 8, 1943
OBB	SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN	Gdynia	March 8, 1943
OBB	SCHLESIEN	Gdynia	March 8, 1943
CV	GRAF ZEPPELIN	Kiel; in floating dock	March 7, 1943
CA	ADMIRAL SCHEER	Wilhelmshaven	March 8, 1943
CA	LUETZOW	Altenfjord, Northern Norway	February 4, 1943
CA	SEYDLITZ	Bremen; being dismantled	February 20, 1943
CA	PRINZ EUGEN	Gdynia	March 8, 1943
CA	ADMIRAL HIPPER	Wilhelmshaven	March 8, 1943
CL	NUERNBERG (3)	Probably in Northern Norway	February 1, 1943
CL	LEIPZIG (4)	Probably in Central Baltic	February 8, 1943
CL	KOELN	Kiel	March 7, 1943
CL	EMDEN (5)	Unknown	March 9, 1943
DDs	7/8 Units (6)	Northern Norway	February 22, 1943
	9/10 Units	German North Sea and Baltic Ports	February 22, 1943
TORPEDO BOATS			
	2 Units	Norwegian Ports	February 22, 1943
	3 Units	German North Sea Ports	February 22, 1943
	ca.12 Units	German Baltic Ports	February 22, 1943
	10/12 Units	Biscay and Channel	February 22, 1943
SSs	THE FOLLOWING FIGURES ARE NOT TO BE REPRODUCED IN ANY FORM: (7)		
	96 Units	French Ports	March 8, 1943
	111 Units	Atlantic Patrols	March 8, 1943
	16 Units	Norwegian Patrols and Northern Waters	March 8, 1943
	12 Units	Operating in Baltic	March 8, 1943
	20 Units	Operating in Mediterranean	March 8, 1943
	6 Units	Operating in Black Sea	March 8, 1943
	41 Units	Training	March 8, 1943
	132 Units	Trials	March 8, 1943
	434 Units Total.		

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NOTES:

(1) Admiralty believes TIRPITZ has proceeded to northern Norwegian waters.
(2) A large warship, believed to have been SCHARNHORST, passed through the Kattegat to the north March 7, 1943.
(3) NUERNBERG has not been reported by photo-reconnaissance since November 11, 1942, when she was at Gdynia. She was probably not engaged in the naval action, December 31, 1942. According to a report graded "B.2" she was at Bogen, in the Narvik area, January 31,1943
(4) LEIPZIG was last seen November 11, 1942, when she was at Gdynia.
(5) EMDEN previously reported at Gdynia, March 8, 1943.
(6) Four DDs, Narvik Type, were at Cherbourg, March 7, 1943. This is the first time since February 1942, that heavy destroyers have appeared off the French Coast.
(7) SSs as reported March 9, 1943. (See Below)

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(7) NOT TO BE REPRODUCED IN ANY FORM:

93 Units	French Ports	March 1, 1943.
112 Units	Atlantic Patrols	March 1, 1943
14 Units	Norwegian Patrols and Northern Waters	March 1, 1943
12 Units	Operating in Baltic	March 1, 1943
21 Units	Operating in Mediterranean	March 1, 1943
6 Units	Operating in Black Sea	March 1, 1943
41 Units	Training	March 1, 1943
130 Units	Trials	March 1, 1943
429 Units Total.		

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Disposition of Italian Fleet

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
BB	2 Units (CAVOUR Class)	Taranto	March 5, 1943
CL	3 Units	"	March 5, 1943
DD	4 Units	"	March 5, 1943
SS	8 Units	"	February 6, 1943
SS	4 Units	Augusta	February 27, 1943
DD	5 Units (*)	Messina	March 12, 1943
DD	6 Units (*)	Palermo	March 10, 1943
DD	4 Units	Trapani	March 13, 1943
SS	9 Units (*)	Cagliari	January 31, 1943
CA	2 Units	Maddalena	January 31, 1943
SS	5 Units	"	January 31, 1943
CL	0 Units (*)	Naples	March 4, 1943
DD	11 Units	"	February 9, 1943
SS	2 Units	"	February 7, 1943
DD	1 Unit	Castellammare di Stabia	March 4, 1943
SS	1 Unit	" " "	March 4, 1943
DCL	3 Units	Livorno (guardships)	September 30, 1942
BB	LITTORIO	La Spezia	February 24, 1943
BB	VITTORIO VENETO	"	February 24, 1943
BB	ROMA	"	February 24, 1943
CA	1 Unit	" (repairing)	February 19, 1943
CL	1 Unit (REGOLO Class)	" (repairing)	February 19, 1943
DD	13 Units	"	February 19, 1943
SS	10 Units	"	February 19, 1943
ACV	ROMA (Ex-Liner)	Genoa (building)	January 28, 1943
ACV	Ex-REGOLO Class CL	" (building)	January 28, 1943
SS	4 Units	" (2 in drydock)	January 28, 1943
DD	1 Unit	Venice	December 23, 1942
DD	2 Units	Fiume	December 23, 1942
SS	2 Units	"	December 23, 1942

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Disposition of Italian Fleet (Continued)

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
DD	2 Units	Monfalcone	December 23, 1942
SS	4 Units	"	December 23, 1942
BB	CAVOUR	Trieste (repairing)	December 23, 1942
BB	IMPERO	" (building)	December 23, 1942
ACV	AUGUSTUS (Ex-Liner)	" (building)	March 3, 1943
CL	1 Unit	Pola	December 23, 1942
SS	7 Units	" (3 in drydock)	December 23, 1942
DD	11 Units	Aegean & Dodecanese Is.	January 31, 1943
SS	5 Units	" " " "	January 31, 1943
SS	10 Units	Bordeaux	January 31, 1943
BB	1 CAVOUR Class	Unknown	
CL	2 Units (*)	"	
DD	38 Units (*)	"	(1)
SS	5 Units (*)	"	(2)

(*) Indicates change since report of March 9, 1943.
(1) Italy is now reliably reported to have 98 destroyers, torpedo craft and escort vessels which indicates that approximately 24 vessels have recently gone into service.
(2) Six new Italian submarines are believed to have been commissioned.

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MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Estimated Japanese Fleet Locations.

A. COMBINED FLEET

BB - YAMATO (Flag of CinC, Combined Fleet)

I. First Fleet

Composition	Location
Batdiv 1	4 BB
YAMATO (F)	Probably Truk.
NAGATO)	Probably in home waters
HYUGA)	
ISE)	
Batdiv 2	4 BB
MUTSU)	Possibly Truk Area.
MUSASHI)	
FUSO)	Probably in home waters.
YAMASHIRO)	
Crudiv 9	2 CL
OI)	Probably Soerabaya.
KITAGAMI)	
Desron 1	1 CL, 5 DD
ABUKUMA (F)	Probably N.W. Pacific
Desdiv 6)	Probably Northwest Pacific with 2 units Attu.
Desdiv 21)	

SUMMARY
8 BB
3 CL
4 DD*

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II. Second Fleet

Composition	Location
Crudiv 4	3 CA
ATAGO (F)	Uncertain.
TAKAO	Possibly Rabaul.
MAYA	Uncertain.
Crudiv 5	3 CA
MYOKO	Uncertain.
HAGURO	Possibly Truk area.
NACHI	Uncertain.
Desron 2	1 CL, 9 DD
JINTSU (F)	Uncertain.
Desdiv 15)	Truk-Melanesia area.
Desdiv 24)	
Desdiv 31)	

SUMMARY
6 CA
1 CL
6 DD*

* 3 DD out of total of 9 enumerated in composition are considered lost.

III. Third Fleet

ZUIKAKU (Acting Flag)

Composition	Location
Batdiv 3	2 BB
HARUNA)	Empire.
KONGO)	
Cardiv 1	3 CV
ZUIKAKU	Probably Empire waters.
SHOKAKU	Empire.
ZUIHO	Possibly Truk.

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Third Fleet (continued)

Composition	Location
Cardiv 2	2 CV
HAYATAKA (F))	Possibly Empire.
HITAKA)	
Cardiv 50	1 ACV*, 2 DD
OTAKA	Empire.
Unident. CV or ACV)	Uncertain.
Unident.)	
DD YUKAZE)	
DD Unident.)	
UNYO)	Uncertain
CHUYO)	
HOSHO	Uncertain. Possibly sunk.
	1 CV, 2 ACV
Crudiv 7	3 CA
KUMANO (F))	Possibly Truk.
SUZUYA)	
MOGAMI	Believed sunk.
Crudiv 8	2 CA
TONE)	Probably Empire.
CHIKUMA)	
Desron 10	19 DD
Desdiv 4	Empire.
Desdiv 10	Truk-Melanesia area
Desdiv 17	Some units Empire.
Desdiv 61)	Most units Rabaul.
Desdiv 16)	

SUMMARY

2 BB	4 CA**
6 CV*	13 DD***
3 ACV*	

* In addition there is believed to be in commission one or two unidentified CV or ACV.

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*** 8 DD " " 21 " " " are " "

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IV. Fourth Fleet

Composition	Location
CL - KASHIMA (F)	Probably Truk area 1 CL
TENYO MARU	Uncertain. 1 XCM
Subron 7	1 AS, 4 SS
AS - JINGEI (F)	Possibly Truk.
Subdiv 21	Southern Solomons.
Subdiv 26	Probably Aleutians.
Second Surface Escort Unit	6 DD, 1 CM
TSUGARU (F)	Uncertain.
Desdiv 29	Probably Truk area
ASANAGI (DD)	Marshalls area.
MINEKAZE (DD))	Probably Truk area.
HATAKAZE (DD))	
3rd Base Force	13 XPG, 4 XPC, 3 XAM Probably most of these units sent to Rabaul and N.W. New Guinea from Palao.
4th Base Force	10 XPG, 6 XPC, 3 XAM Truk area
5th Base Force	10 XPG, 8 XPC, 3 XAM Probably most of these units sent to Rabaul from Saip
6th Base Force	CM-TOKIWA, 24 XPG, 8 XAM, 9 XPC, 1 AGS Marshalls with part probably at Makin, Wake, and Solo

SUMMARY

1 CL	1 XCM
4 DD*	1 AGS
4 SS	58 XPG
2 CM	25 XPC
1 AS	17 XAM

* 2 DD out of 6 enumerated in composition is considered lost.

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V. Fifth Fleet

Composition	Location
Crudiv 21	2 CL
KISO)	Probably N.W. Pacific
TAMA)	
Crudiv 22	3 XCL
AKAGI MARU (F))	Probably N.W. Pacific
AWATA MARU)	
ASAKA MARU)	
Northern Patrol Forces	About 45 misc. armed merchant patrol vessels.
Patdivs 1-5 incl.	Patrolling in N.W. Pacific
Inshore Picket Boat Force	About 100 misc. fishing craft. Patrolling off Japan coasts.
Kuriles Defense Force	1 AGS ✓ Misc. others — Kuriles
La Perouse Strait Patrol	1 IB (AT) ✓ Misc. others
OTOMARI	N. Hokkaido waters.
SHIOKAZE	Uncertain.
HACHIJO	Unknown
KAMITSU MARU	Probably N.W. Pacific
	1 DD, 1 CM, 1 XPG
5th Defense Force	Misc.Aux. & small craft — Kiska

SUMMARY

2 CL	1 AGS
1 DD	1 IB (AT)
3 XCL	45 Misc. armed merchant patrol ships
1 CM	Misc.
1 XPG	

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VI. Sixth Fleet

Composition	Location	
KATORI, flagship	Probably Truk area. 1 CL	
Subron 1	2 XAS, 11 SS	
I-9 (FF)	Empire, repairing until about May 1.	
XAS - HEIAN MARU	Uncertain.	
XAS - NISSO MARU	Uncertain.	
Subdiv 2	Some units Rabaul-New Guinea area.	
Subdiv 15	I-31 northern Kurils.	
Subdiv 32	Unknown.	
Subron 2	1 AS, 1 XAS, 5 SS	
AS - CHOGEI (F)*		
XAS - MANZYU MARU		
Subdiv 7	One unit Truk; one probably Yokosuka.	
Subdiv 8	I-8 probably vicinity Suva.	
Subron 3	2 XAS, 12 SS	
XAS - YASUKUNI MARU (F)	Possibly Bismarks.	
I-11 (FF)	Uncertain.	
XAS - URAKAMI MARU	Possibly Truk.	
Subdiv 11	Bismarks.	
Subdiv 12	I-169 and I-171 Aleutians.	
Subdiv 18	Uncertain.	
Subron 8	1 XAS, 10 SS	
I-10 (FF)	Uncertain.	
XAS - HIEI MARU	Possibly Truk.	
Subdiv 1	Probably New Hebrides with I-16 probably Kure.	
Subdiv 3	Probably Lae area with I-21 Empire.	
Subdiv 14	Probably Indian Ocean.	
Subron 13	Unlocated	Composition unknown.
Subron 15	Unlocated	Composition unknown.
SOYO MARU	1 XAS	Home waters.

SUMMARY

1 CL	1 AS
33 SS**	7 XAS

* Tentative.
** 5 SS out of total of 38 enumerated in composition are considered lost.

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VII. Eighth Fleet

Composition	Location
CA - CHOKAI	Uncertain
Acting (F)	1 CA
Crudiv 6	1 CA
AOBA	Probably Rabaul
CL - TATSUTA CL - YUBARI	Uncertain
	2 CL
WAKATAKA	Possibly Hollandia area
SHIRATAKA	Possibly Kavieng area
	2 CM
Seaplatendiv 11	1 CVS, 3 XCVS
CHITOSE MIMIKAWA MARU KUNIKAWA MARU	Rabaul-North Solomons
KIYOKAWA MARU	Uncertain
Desron 3	1 CL, 11 DD
SENDAI (F)	Uncertain
Desdiv 8	Probably Rabaul.
Desdiv 11	Rabaul area with one unit enroute Truk to Empire
Desdiv 19	Probably Singapore, with one unit Truk
Desron 4	1 CL, 11 DD
NAGARA (F)	Uncertain
Desdiv 2	Possibly Rabaul-N. Solomons
Desdiv 9	Probably North Solomons
Desdiv 27	Some units Empire, some Truk
Desdiv 30	Uncertain
8th Base Force	Rabaul with some units in Solomons, Wewak, Madang, Hollandia, and Manokwari 3 TB, 2 AM, 6 PC, 16 XPG, 14 Patrol Boats

SUMMARY

2 CA	3 TB
3 CL*	4 AM
13 DD**	6 PC
1 CVS	20 XPG
3 XCVS	3 XPC
2 CM	14 Patrol Boats

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**9 DD " " 22 " " " are " "

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VIII. Eleventh Air Fleet

Composition	Location
Airflot 21	
Airflot 22	1 APV
FUJIKAWA MARU	Possibly Empire
Airflot 23	1 XCVS
OKITSU MARU	Marshalls
Airflot 24	1 CVS, 1 APV
KAMOI (F)	Possibly Empire
GOSHU MARU	Uncertain
Airflot 25	1 APV
NARUTO MARU	Uncertain
Airflot 26	1 CVS, 1 APV
AKITSUSHIMA	Possibly Marshalls
MOGAMIGAWA MARU	Rabaul
KAMOGAWA MARU, KEIYO MARU, LYONS MARU	Unknown
	3 APV
Desdiv 34	Rabaul-North Solomons
	2 DD

SUMMARY
2 DD
2 CVS
1 XCVS
7 APV

Attached to Combined Fleet

CHIYODA	Uncertain
KISSHIN	Uncertain
NOTORO	Probably Singapore
KIMIKAWA MARU	Unknown
SAGARA MARU	Uncertain
SANUKI MARU	Uncertain
SANYO MARU	Uncertain
YASUKAWA MARU	Uncertain
	3 CVS, 5 XCVS

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Composition	Location
AIKOKU MARU)	Uncertain
GOKOKU MARU)	
KIYOZUMI MARU)	
KONGO MARU	Unknown
NOSHIRO MARU	Probably Truk, damaged.
SEICHO MARU	Uncertain
	6 XCL
Desdiv 7	Probably escorting ACV's
	3 DD
Subron 5	1 AS, 2 XAS, 7 SS
AS - KOMAHASHI (F)	Probably N.W. Pacific
XAS - RIO DE JANEIRO MARU)	Uncertain
XAS - ARATAMA MARU)	
Subdiv 19)	Uncertain
Subdiv 28)	
Subron 6	1 XAS, 3 SS
XAS - NAGOYA MARU	Possibly Rabaul area
Subdiv 13	Possibly Truk area
Subdiv 9	I-123 due Rabaul March 26 from Kure
	Fleet Train
AR - AKASHI	Probably Rabaul
ARS - NAGAURA	Probably Rabaul area
AO - IRO	Probably Kwajalein, damaged
AO - HAYATOMO	Singapore, apparently under repair
AO - SAN LUIS MARU	Due Tokuyama March 21 from Singapore
AO - TONAN MARU # 2	Yokohama, damaged

SUMMARY

2 DD*	1 AS		
9 SS**	20 AO		
6 XCL	3 AF		
3 CVS	2 AR		
5 XCVS	1 XAF		
3 XAS	20 AH		
	7 ARS		

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B. SOUTHWEST AREA FLEET

Composition	Location	
IX.	First Southern Expeditionary Fleet	
KASHII (F)	Possibly Malacca	1 CL
SHIMUSHU	Uncertain. Probably Malay area	1 CM
9th Special Base Force	– Penang	Misc.
10th Special Base Force	– Singapore	Misc.
11th Special Base Force	– Saigon	Misc.
12th Special Base Force	– Rangoon	Misc.

SUMMARY
1 CL Misc.
1 CM

X.	Second Southern Expeditionary Fleet	
ASHIGARA	Probably Singapore	1 CA
Crudiv 16	4 CL	
NATORI	Singapore, damaged	
KINU)	Probably New Guinea-Solomons area	
KUMA)		
ISUZU)		
21st Special Base Force	– Soerabaya	3 AM & Misc.
22nd Special Base Force	– Balikpapan	Misc.
23rd Special Base Force	– Makassar with 1 CM Singapore 1 CM, 2 TB & Misc.	
24th Special Base Force	– Ambon, woth some units at Tocal 1 CM, 2 TB & Misc.	
25th Special Base Force	– Fak Fak and Kaimana. 4 XPG, 3 XPC, 2 AM, Misc.	
Gunboat Div 2	NEI waters	4 XPG
Survey Div 1	NEI waters	2 AGS

SUMMARY

1 CA	4 TB
4 CL	2 AGS
2 CM	3 AM
4 XPG	Misc.

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XI. Third Southern Expoditionary Fleet

Composition	Location	
YAEYAMA (F)	Philippines	1 CM
31st Special Base Force	Manila	2 AM & Misc.
32nd " " "	Davao	Misc.
Survey Div. 2	Philippines	2 AGS

SUMMARY
1 CM 2 AGS
2 AM Misc.

Attached to Southwest Area Fleet

Composition	Location	
Subdiv 30	Two units Sasebo	3 SS
Torpedo Boat Div 11	Possibly Wake	3 TB

First Surface Escort Unit 15 DD, 2 TB, 1 XPG

Desdiv 13)	Escorting South and East China Seas, with some units Palao and Melanesia areas.
" 22)	
" 32)	
MIKATSUKE (DD))	
HOKAZE (DD))	
ASAKAZE (DD))	
MATSUKAZE (DD))	
KARUKAZE (DD))	
PEKING MARU	Unknown

SUMMARY
12 DD*
3 SS
5 TB
1 XPG

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C. NAVAL FORCES IN CHINA

Composition	Location	
IZUMO (F)	Shanghai	1 OCA
Shanghai Base Force – Shanghai		1 PR & Misc.
Desdiv 26	China coast	3 DD
Nanking Base Force	Nanking	Misc.
Central China Force		
UJI (F)	China coast	1 PG
Patdiv 11	Yangtze River	11 PR
Hankow Base Force – Hankow		Misc.
Gunboat Div.	China coast	2 PG, 3 XPG
South China Force		
HASHIDATE (F)	Hongkong	1 PG
Minron 1	South China coast	1 PG, 2 AM
Guard Divs 15 & 16 – South China coast		6 XPG
Canton Base Force – Canton		Misc.
Amoy Base Force – Amoy		Misc.
Hainan Defense Force – Hainan with 1 TB Bismarcks – 1 TB and Misc.		
North China Force		
Gunboat Divs 1,2,13,14 – Gulf of Pechili		8 XPG
Tsingtao Base Force – Tsingtao		Misc.

SUMMARY OF NAVAL FORCES IN CHINA AND HOME DEFENSE FORCES

3 OCA	1 TB
3 Training Vessels	1 DM
	2 AM
10 DD	4 PC
3 SS	12 PR
2 CM	19 XPG
5 PG	4 X/M
	Misc.

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D. HOME DEFENSE FORCES

Yokosuka Defense Force	Yokosuka 1 OCA, 1 Training vessel, Misc. Desdiv 1 – 3 DD Possibly Solomons
Chichijima Area Special Base Force	2 XPG, 4 XAM, 4 PC Chichijima
Kure Defense Force	Kure 1 Training vessel, Misc. Patrol craft
Kure Naval District Force Subdiv 33	3 SS Probably home waters
Sasebo Defense Force	Sasebo 1 OCA, Misc. Patrol Craft
Maizuru Defense Force	Maizuru 1 Training vessel, Misc. Patrol craft
Ominato " "	Ominato 1 DM, 2 CM, Misc. Patrol Craft Desdiv 3 – 4 DD Empire with 1 unit Muroran

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3 CM	3 CL* –	NAKA, AGANO, OYODO
29 DM	6 DD**	Some units New Guinea–Bismarks
6 AM		
	37 SS	Some units Aleutians, Empire, Truk, Jaluit Rabaul and Southern Solomons

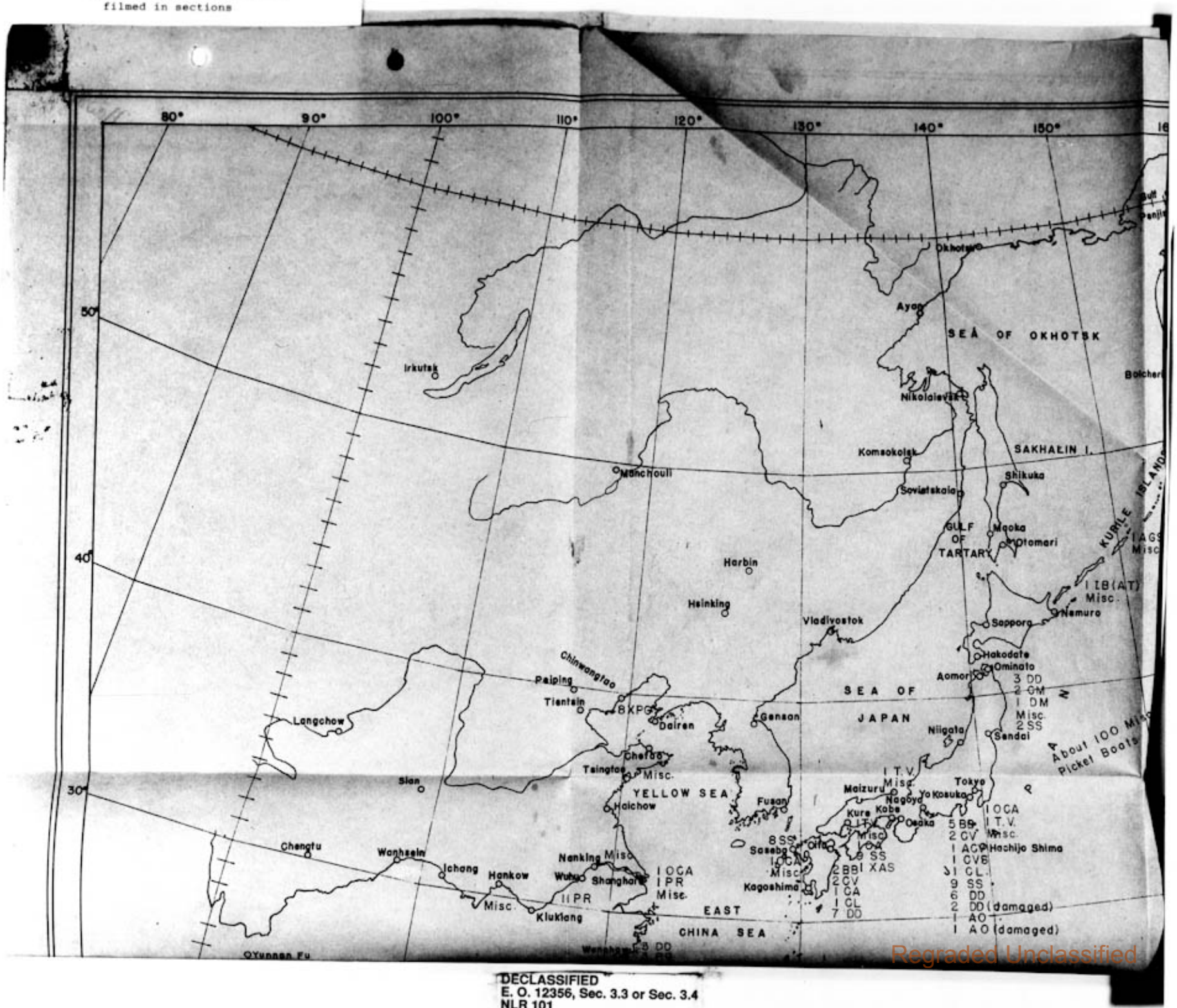
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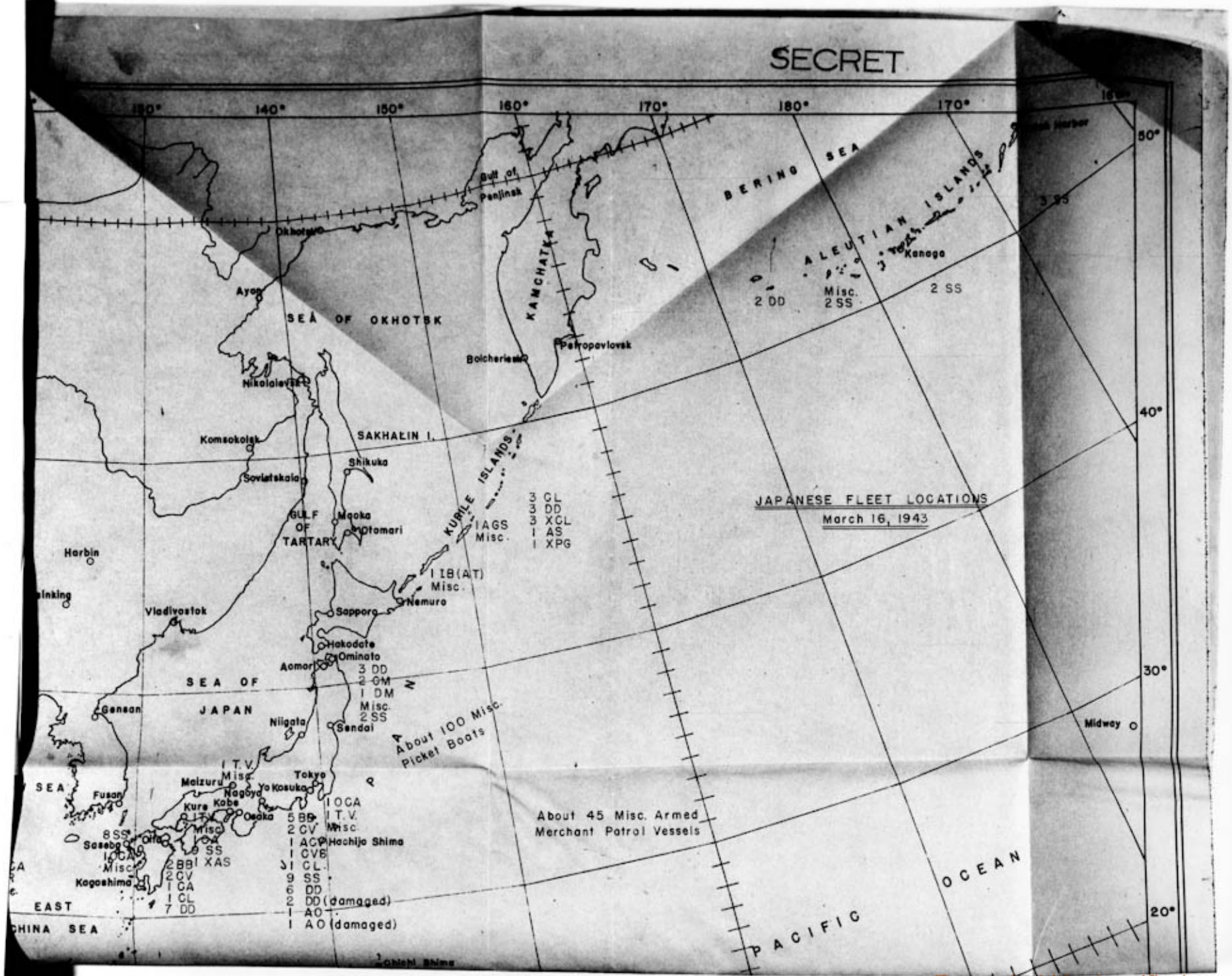
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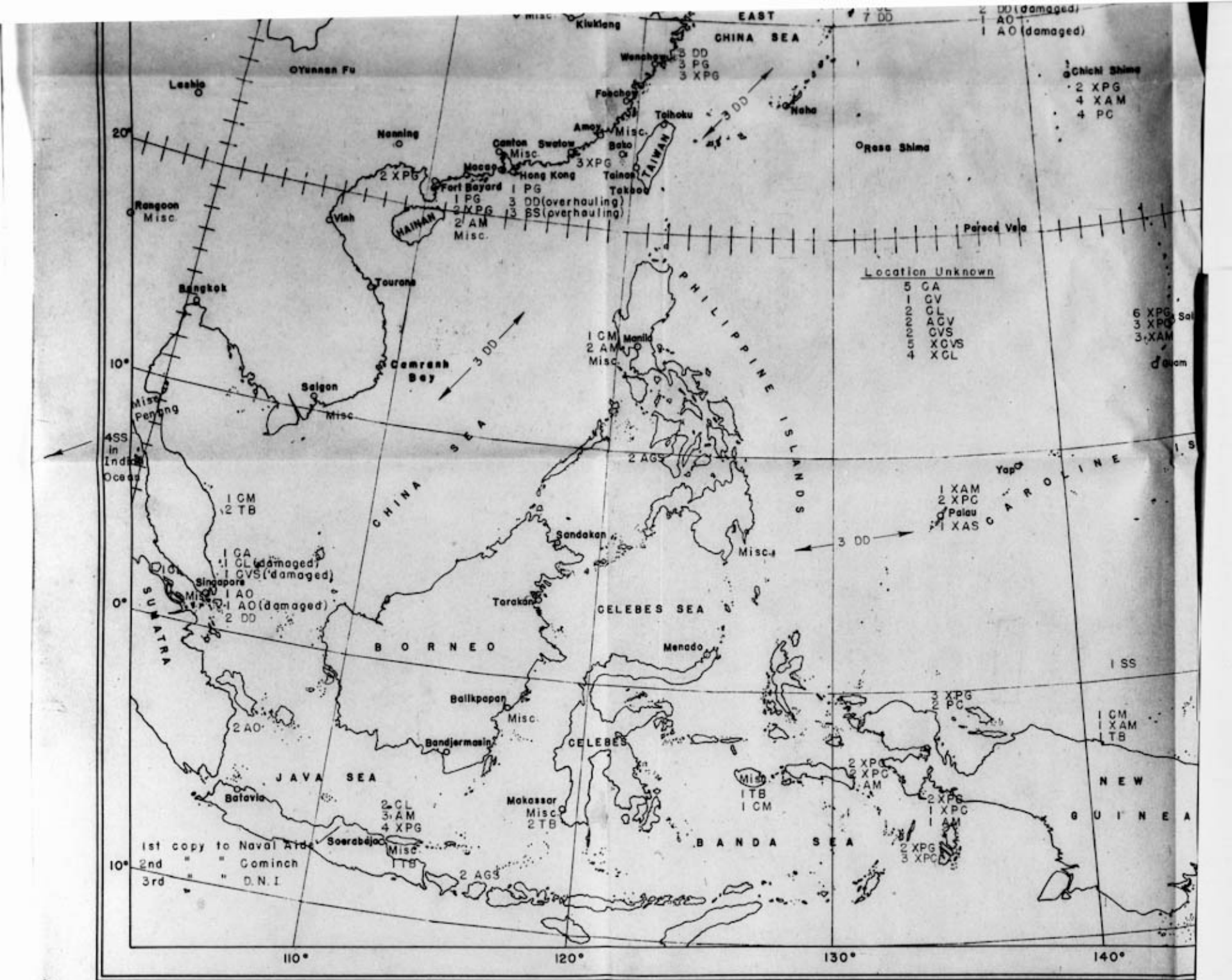
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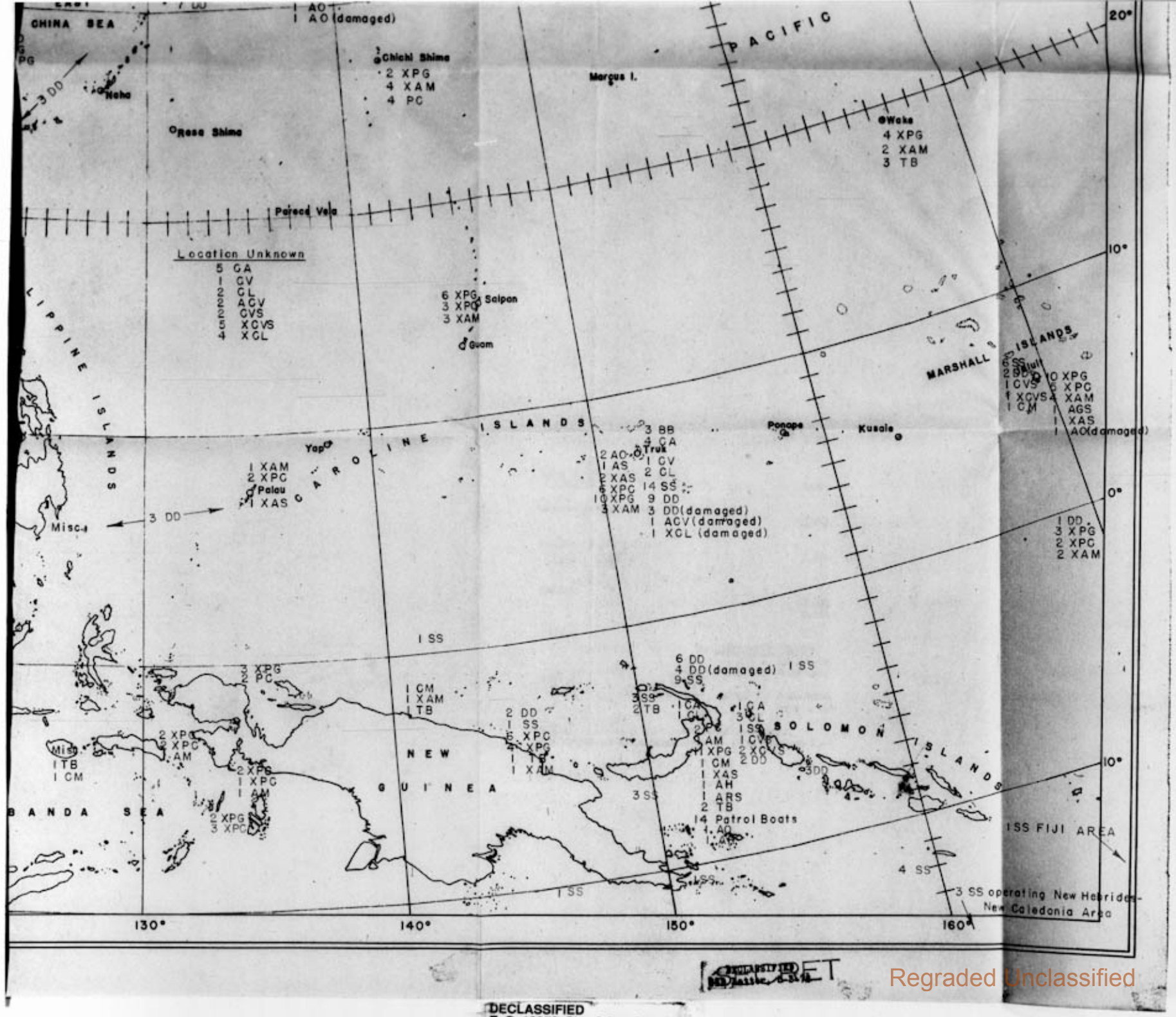
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SUBJECT: German Fleet Disposition.

Type	Ship Name	Location	Last Reported Date
BB	TIRPITZ (1)	Trondheim area	February 27, 1943
BB	SCHARNHORST (2)	Unknown	March 8, 1943
BB	GNEISENAU	Gdynia	March 8, 1943
OBB	SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN	Gdynia	March 8, 1943
OBB	SCHLESIEN	Gdynia	March 8, 1943
CV	GRAF ZEPPELIN	Kiel; in floating dock	February 20, 1943
CA	ADMIRAL SCHEER	Wilhelmshaven	March 8, 1943
CA	LUETZOW	Altenfjord, Northern Norway	February 4, 1943
CA	SEYDLITZ	Bremen; being dismantled	February 20, 1943
CA	PRINZ EUGEN	Gdynia	March 8, 1943
CA	ADMIRAL HIPPER	Wilhelmshaven	March 8, 1943
CL	NUERNBERG	Probably in Northern Norway	February 1, 1943
CL	LEIPZIG (3)	Probably in Central Baltic	February 18, 1943
CL	KOELN	Kiel	February 20, 1943
CL	EMDEN	Gdynia	March 8, 1943
DDs	10 Units	Northern Norway	February 8, 1943
	8 Units	German North Sea and Baltic Ports	February 8, 1943
TORPEDO BOATS			
	2 Units	Norwegian Ports	February 8, 1943
	3 Units	German North Sea Ports	February 8, 1943
	15 Units	German Baltic Ports	February 8, 1943
	10/12 Units	Biscay and Channel	February 8, 1943
SSs	THE FOLLOWING FIGURES ARE NOT TO BE REPRODUCED IN ANY FORM: (4)		
	93 Units	French Ports	March 1, 1943
	112 Units	Atlantic Patrols	March 1, 1943
	14 Units	Norwegian Patrols and Northern Waters	Mar. 1, 1943
	12 Units	Operating in Baltic	March 1, 1943
	21 Units	Operating in Mediterranean	March 1, 1943
	6 Units	Operating in Black Sea	March 1, 1943
	41 Units	Training	March 1, 1943
	130 Units	Trials	March 1, 1943
	429 Units Total.		

NOTES:

(1) TIRPITZ and 3 DDs were exercising in Trondheimfjord February 27, 1943.

(2) SCHARNHORST previously reported Gdynia February 21, 1943. She must have left sometime between February 25, 1943 and March 8, 1943.

(3) LEIPZIG was last seen November 11, 1942 at Gdynia.

(4) SSs previously reported. NOT TO BE REPRODUCED IN ANY FORM:

97 Units	French Ports	February 22, 1943
104 Units	Atlantic Ports	February 22, 1943
14 Units	Norwegian Patrols & Northern Waters	Feb. 22, 1943
12 Units	Operating in Baltic	February 22, 1943
22 Units	Operating in Mediterranean	February 22, 1943
6 Units	Operating in Black Sea	February 22, 1943
41 Units	Training	February 22, 1943
136 Units	Trials	February 22, 1943
432 Units Total.		

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Disposition of Italian Fleet.

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
BB	2 Units (CAVOUR Class)	Taranto	March 4, 1943
CL	3 Units (*)	"	March 4, 1943
CVS	MIRAGLIA	"	Feb. 21, 1943 (1)
DD	4 Units	"	Feb. 21, 1943
SS	8 Units	"	Feb. 6, 1943
SS	4 Units (*)	Augusta	Feb. 27, 1943
DD	2 Units	Messina	Feb. 27, 1943
DD	7 Units (*)	Palermo	Feb. 23, 1943
DD	4 Units (*)	Trapani	March 4, 1943
SS	7 Units	Cagliari	Jan. 26, 1943
CA	2 Units (*)	Maddalena	Jan. 31, 1943
DD	0 Units (*)	"	Jan. 31, 1943
SS	5 Units	"	Jan. 31, 1943
CL	2 Units	Naples	March 4, 1943
DD	11 Units	"	Feb. 9, 1943
SS	2 Units	"	Feb. 7, 1943
CL	0 Units (*)	Castellammare di Stabia	March 4, 1943
DD	1 Unit	" " "	March 4, 1943
SS	1 Unit (*)	" " "	March 4, 1943
OCL	3 Units	Livorno (guardships)	Sept. 30, 1942
BB	LITTORIO	La Spezia	Feb. 24, 1943
BB	VITTORIO VENETO	" "	Feb. 24, 1943
BB	ROMA	" "	Feb. 24, 1943
CA	1 Unit	" " (repairing)	Feb. 19, 1943
CL	1 Unit (REGOLO Class)	" " (repairing)	Feb. 19, 1943
DD	13 Units	" "	Feb. 19, 1943
SS	10 Units	" "	Feb. 19, 1943
ACV	ROMA (Ex-liner)	Genoa (building)	Jan. 28, 1943
ACV	0 Units (*)	" (building)	March 3, 1943
ACV	Ex-REGOLO Class CL	" (building)	Jan. 28, 1943
SS	4 Units	" (2 in drydock)	Jan. 28, 1943
DD	1 Unit	Venice	Dec. 23, 1942

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Disposition of Italian Fleet (Continued)

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
DD	2 Units	Fiume	December 23, 1942
SS	2 Units	"	December 23, 1942
DD	2 Units	Monfalcone (fitting out)	December 23, 1942
SS	4 Units	" " "	December 23, 1942
BB	CAVOUR	Trieste	December 23, 1942
BB	IMPERO	"	December 23, 1942
ACV	AUGUSTUS (*)	" (building)	March 3, 1943
CL	1 Unit	Pola	December 23, 1942
SS	7 Units	" (3 in drydock)	December 23, 1942
DD	11 Units (*)	Aegean & Dodecanese Is.	January 31, 1943
SS	5 Units (*)	" " " "	January 31, 1943
SS	10 Units	Bordeaux	January 31, 1943
BB	1 CAVOUR Class	Unknown	(2)
CA	0 Units (*)	"	
DD	16 Units (*)	"	
SS	1 Unit (*)	"	

(*) Indicates change since report of March 2, 1943.

(1) The seaplane carrier MIRAGLIA will, hereafter, not appear in this list as it is permanently stationed at Taranto.
(2) Evidence indicates that this battleship is somewhere in the Adriatic.

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Disposition of the French (Vichy) Fleet

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE	
BB	DUNKERQUE	Toulon (damaged)	December 21, 1942	
BB	STRASBOURG	" (damaged)	February 20, 1943	
OBB	PROVENCE	" (damaged)	February 15, 1943	
CA	4 Units	" (all damaged)	February 15, 1943	
CL	3 Units	" (all damaged)	January 4, 1943	(1)
DL	18 Units	" (15 damaged)	February 15, 1943	
DD	15 Units	" (12 damaged)	February 15, 1943	
SS	7 Units	" (2 damaged)	December 21, 1942	
DL	1 Unit	Bizerte (damaged)	December 21, 1942	(2)
DD	3 Units	"	December 21, 1942	(2)
SS	9 Units	"	December 21, 1942	(2)
CL	1 Unit	Saigon	December 21, 1942	
SS	1 Unit	"	December 21, 1942	
SS	5 Units	Unknown		

(1) Recent information shows all 3 CL's scuttled. JEANNE-DE-VIENNE and MARSEILLAISE can be salvaged and work has been started.
(2) Press report, London, March 1, states naval units at Bizerte taken over by Axis.

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Immobilized French Vessels

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
OBB	LORRAINE	Alexandria	December 1, 1942
CA	3 Units	"	December 1, 1942
CL	1 Unit	"	December 1, 1942
DD	3 Units	"	December 1, 1942
SS	1 Unit	"	December 1, 1942
CV	BEARN	Martinique	February 19, 1943
CL	1 Unit	"	February 19, 1943
CL	1 Unit	Guadeloupe	December 25, 1942
SS	1 Unit	Spain	February 1, 1943

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BB RICHELIEU
BB JEAN BART
OBB COURBET
OBB PARIS
CL GEORGES LEYGUES
CL GLOIRE
CL MONTCALM
DL 7 Units (3 damaged)
DD 13 Units (6 damaged)
SS 23 Units (1 possibly sunk)

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MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Estimated Japanese Fleet Locations.

A. COMBINED FLEET

BB - YAMATO (Flag of CinC, Combined Fleet)

I. First Fleet

Composition	Location
Batdiv 1	4 BB
YAMATO (F)	Probably Truk.
NAGATO	Probably in home waters.
MUTSU)	Possibly Truk Area.
MUSASHI)	
Batdiv 2	4 BB
HYUGA)	Probably home waters.
ISE)	
FUSO)	
YAMASHIRO)	
Crudiv 9	2 CL
OI)	Possibly enroute Truk to Soerabaya.
KITAGAMI)	
Desron 1	1 CL, 5 DD
ABUKUMA (F)	Probably Northwest Pacific
Desdiv 6	Uncertain.
Desdiv 21	Probably Northwest Pacific

SUMMARY
8 BB
3 CL
4 DD*

* 1 DD out of 5 enumerated in composition is considered lost.

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II. Second Fleet

Composition	Location
Crudiv 4	3 CA
ATAGO (F)	Probably Truk area.
TAKAO	Possibly Rabaul.
MAYA	Uncertain.
Crudiv 5	3 CA
MYOKO	Uncertain.
HAGURO	Possibly Truk area.
NACHI	Uncertain.
Desron 2	1 CL, 9 DD
JINTSU (F)	Uncertain.
Desdiv 15)	Truk-Melanesia area.
Desdiv 24)	
Desdiv 31)	

SUMMARY
6 CA
1 CL
6 DD*

* 3 DD out of total of 9 enumerated in composition are considered lost.

III. Third Fleet

ZUIKAKU (Acting Flag)

Composition	Location
Batdiv 3	2 BB
HARUNA)	Possibly Empire.
KONGO)	
Cardiv 1	3 CV
ZUIKAKU	Possibly Truk.
SHOKAKU	Probably Empire.
ZUIHO	Possibly Truk.

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Third Fleet (continued)

Composition	Location
Cardiv 2	2 CV
HAYATAKA (F))	Possibly Empire.
HITAKA)	
Cardiv 50	1 ACV*, 2 DD
OTAKA	Believed in Truk, possibly damaged.
Unident. CV or ACV	Possibly Truk
Unident.	
DD YUKAZE)	Possibly Truk.
DD Unident.)	
UNYO	Ferrying planes between Empire and Mandates.
CHUYO	Probably Truk.
HOSHO	Uncertain. Possibly sunk.
	1 CV, 2 ACV
Crudiv 7	3 CA
KUMANO (F))	Possibly Truk.
SUZUYA)	
MOGAMI	Believed sunk.
Crudiv 8	2 CA
TONE)	Possibly Empire.
CHIKUMA)	
Desron 10	19 DD
Desdiv 4)	Mostly in Truk-Melanesia area with some units Empire.
Desdiv 10)	
Desdiv 17)	
Desdiv 61)	
Desdiv 16	Some units Rabaul.

SUMMARY

2 BB 4 CA**
6 CV* 13 DD***
3 ACV*

* In addition there is believed to be in commission one or two unidentified CV or ACV.
** 1 CA out of 5 enumerated in composition is considered lost.
*** 8 DD " " 21 " " " are " "

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IV. Fourth Fleet

Composition	Location
CL - KASHIMA (F)	Probably Truk area 1 CL
TOKIWA	Unknown
TENYO MARU	Uncertain. 1 CM, 1 XCM
Subron 7	1 AS, 4 SS
AS - JINGEI (F)	Possibly Truk.
Subdiv 21)	Probably Aleutians.
Subdiv 26)	
Second Surface Escort Unit	6 DD, 1 CM
TSUGARU (F)	Uncertain.
Desdiv 29	Probably Truk area
ASANAGI (DD)	Probably Marshalls area.
MINEKAZE (DD))	Probably Truk area.
HATAKAZE (DD))	
3rd Base Force	13 XPG, 4 XPC, 3 XAM Probably most of these units sent to Rabaul and N.W. New Guinea from Palao.
4th Base Force	10 XPG, 6 XPC, 3 XAM Truk area
5th Base Force	10 XPG, 8 XPC, 3 XAM Probably most of these units sent to Rabaul from Saipan.
6th Base Force	24 XPG, 8 XAM, 9 XPC, 1 AGS Jaluit with part probably at Makin and some units probably in Solomons and at Wake Island.

SUMMARY

1 CL	1 XCM
5 DD*	1 AGS
4 SS	58 XPG
2 CM	25 XPC
1 AS	17 XAM

* 1 DD out of 6 enumerated in composition is considered lost.

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V. Fifth Fleet

Composition	Location
Crudiv 21	2 CL
KISO)	Probably N.W. Pacific
TAMA)	
Crudiv 22	3 XCL
AKAGI MARU (F))	Probably N.W. Pacific
AWATA MARU)	
ASAKA MARU)	
Northern Patrol Forces	About 45 misc. armed merchant patrol vessels.
Patdivs 1-5 incl.	Patrolling in N.W. Pacific
Inshore Picket Boat Force	About 100 misc. fishing craft. Patrolling off Japan coasts.
Kuriles Defense Force	1 AGS / Misc. others Kuriles
La Perouse Strait Patrol	1 IB (AT) / Misc. others
OTOMARI	N. Hokkaido waters.
SHIOKAZE	Uncertain.
HACHIJO	Unknown
KAMITSU MARU	Probably N.W. Pacific
	1 DD, 1 CM, 1 XPG
5th Defense Force	Misc.Aux. & small craft Kiska

SUMMARY

2 CL	1 AGS
1 DD	1 IB (AT)
3 XCL	45 Misc. armed merchant patrol ships
1 CM	Misc.
1 XPG	

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VI. Sixth Fleet

Composition	Location
KATORI, flagship	Probably Truk area. 1 CL
Subron 1	2 XAS, 11 SS
I-9 (FF)	Empire, repairing until about May 1.
XAS - HEIAN MARU	Uncertain.
XAS - NISSO MARU	Uncertain.
Subdiv 2	Possibly East Coral Sea.
Subdiv 15	Possibly New Guinea with I-31 northern Kuriles.
Subdiv 32	Unknown. Possibly Solomons.
Subron 2	1 AS, 1 XAS, 5 SS
AS - CHOGEI (F)*	
XAS - MANZYU MARU	
Subdiv 7	Possibly Truk.
Subdiv 8	I-8 vicinity Suva.
Subron 3	2 XAS, 12 SS
XAS - YASUKUNI MARU (F)	Possibly Bismarks.
I-11 (FF)	Uncertain.
XAS - URAKAMI MARU	Possibly Truk.
Subdiv 11	Possibly Bismarks.
Subdiv 12	I-169 and I-171 Aleutians.
Subdiv 18	Uncertain.
Subron 8	1 XAS, 10 SS
I-10 (FF)	Uncertain.
XAS - HIEI MARU	Possibly Truk.
Subdiv 1	Probably New Hebrides with I-16 probably Kure.
Subdiv 3	Probably Lae area with I-21 Yokosuka, repairing.
Subdiv 14	Indian Ocean.
Subron 13	Unlocated — Composition unknown.
Subron 15	Unlocated — Composition unknown.
SOYO MARU	1 XAS — Home waters.

SUMMARY

1 CL	1 AS
33 SS**	7 XAS

* Tentative.

** 5 SS out of total of 38 enumerated in composition are considered lost.

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VII. Eighth Fleet

Composition	Location
CA – CHOKAI	Uncertain
Acting (F)	1 CA
Crudiv 6	1 CA
AOBA	Uncertain
CL – TATSUTA	Unknown.
CL – YUBARI	Uncertain
	2 CL
WAKATAKA	Possibly Hollandia area
SHIRATAKA	Unknown. Possibly sunk
	2 CM
Seaplatendiv 11	1 CVS, 3 XCVS
CHITOSE)	Possibly Rabaul–North Solomons
KAMIKAWA MARU)	
KUNIKAWA MARU)	
KIYOKAWA MARU	Uncertain
Desron 3	1 CL, 11 DD
SENDAI (F)	Uncertain
Desdiv 8)	Probably Rabaul with several units sunk
Desdiv 11)	and damaged.
Desdiv 19	Enroute Singapore less ISONAMI
Desron 4	1 CL, 11 DD
NAGARA (F)	Possibly Rabaul area
Desdiv 2)	Possibly Rabaul–N. Solomons
Desdiv 9)	
Desdiv 27	Possibly Truk
Desdiv 30	Uncertain
8th Base Force	Rabaul with some units in Solomons, Wewak, Madang, Hollandia, and Manokwari 3 TB, 2 AM, 6 PC, 16 XPG, 14 Patrol Boats

SUMMARY

2 CA	3 TB
3 CL*	4 AM
13 DD**	6 PC
1 CVS	20 XPG
3 XCVS	3 XPC
1 CM***	14 Patrol Boats

* 1 CL out of 4 enumerated in composition is considered lost.
**9 DD " " 22 " " " are " "
***1 CM " " 2 " " " is " "

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VIII. Eleventh Air Fleet

Composition	Location
Airflot 21	
Airflot 22	1 APV
FUJIKAWA MARU	Probably Marshalls area enroute Empire
Airflot 23	1 XCVS
OKITSU MARU	Marshalls
Airflot 24	1 CVS, 1 APV
KAMOI (F)	Possibly Empire
GOSHU MARU	Uncertain
Airflot 25	1 APV
NARUTO MARU	Possibly enroute Yokosuka from Jaluit
Airflot 26	1 CVS, 1 APV
AKITSUSHIMA	Possibly Marshalls
MOGAMIGAWA MARU	Uncertain
KAMOGAWA MARU)	Unknown
KEIYO MARU)	
LYONS MARU)	3 APV
Desdiv 34	Uncertain
	2 DD

SUMMARY
2 DD
2 CVS
1 XCVS
7 APV

Attached to Combined Fleet

CHIYODA	Uncertain	
NISSHIN	Uncertain	
NOTORO	Probably Singapore, damaged	
KIMIKAWA MARU	Unknown	
SAGARA MARU	Uncertain	
SANUKI MARU	Uncertain	
SANYO MARU	Uncertain	
YASUKAWA MARU	Uncertain	3 CVS, 5 XCVS

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Attached to Combined Fleet

Composition	Location
AIKOKU MARU	Uncertain
GOKOKU MARU)	Possibly Rabaul area
KIYOZUMI MARU)	
KONGO MARU	Unknown
NOSHIRO MARU)	Uncertain
SEICHO MARU)	
	6 XCL
Desdiv 7	Probably escorting ACV's
	3 DD
Subron 5	1 AS, 2 XAS, 7 SS
AS – KOMABASHI (F)	Probably N.W. Pacific
XAS – RIO DE JANEIRO MARU)	Uncertain
XAS – ARATAMA MARU)	
Subdiv 19)	Uncertain
Subdiv 28)	
Subron 6	1 XAS, 2 SS
XAS – NAGOYA MARU	Possibly Rabaul area
Subdiv 13	Possibly Truk area

Fleet Train

AH – CHICAGO MARU	Probably Palau
AR – AKASHI	Probably Rabaul
ARS – NAGAURA	Probably Rabaul area
AO – IRO	Probably Kwajalein, damaged
AO – HAYATOMO	Singapore, apparently under repair
AO – ITSUKUSHIMA MARU	Probably Yokohama
AO – NISSHIN MARU # 2	About to arrive at Singapore
AO – OMUROSAN MARU	Due Palembang March 11 from Empire
AO – SAN LUIS MARU	Due Tokuyama March 21 from Singapore
AO – TATEKAWA MARU	Palembang
AO – TONAN MARU # 2	Yokohama, damaged

SUMMARY

2 DD*	1 AS
9 SS	20 AO
6 XCL	3 AF
3 CVS	2 AR
5 XCVS	1 XAF
3 XAS	20 AH
	7 ARS

* One DD of 3 enumerated in composition is considered lost.

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B. SOUTHWEST AREA FLEET

Composition	Location	
IX.	First Southern Expeditionary Fleet	
KASHII (F)	Possibly Malacca	1 CL
SHIMUSHU	Uncertain. Probably Malay area	1 CM
9th Special Base Force	- Penang	Misc.
10th Special Base Force	- Singapore	Misc.
11th Special Base Force	- Saigon	Misc.
12th Special Base Force	- Rangoon	Misc.

SUMMARY
1 CL Misc.
1 CM

X.	Second Southern Expeditionary Fleet	
ASHIGARA	Soerabaya, due Singapore March 12	1 CA
Crudiv 16	4 CL	
NATORI	Singapore, damaged	
KINU)	Probably Manokwari area	
KUMA)		
ISUZU)		
21st Special Base Force	- Soerabaya	3 AM & Misc
22nd Special Base Force	- Balikpapan	Misc.
23rd Special Base Force	- Makassar with 1 CM Singapore 1 CM, 2 TB & Misc.	
24th Special Base Force	- Ambon, with some units at Toeal 1 CM, 2 TB & Misc.	
25th Special Base Force	- Fak Fak and Kaimana, Dutch New Guinea 4 XPG, 3 XPC, 2 AM, Misc.	
Gunboat Div 2	NEI waters	4 XPG
Survey Div 1	NEI waters	2 AGS

SUMMARY

1 CA	4 TB
4 CL	2 AGS
2 CM	3 AM
4 XPG	Misc.

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XI. Third Southern Expeditionary Fleet

Composition	Location	
YAEYAMA (F)	Philippines	1 CM
31st Special Base Force --	Manila	2 AM & Misc.
32nd " " "	Davao	Misc.
Survey Div. 2	Philippines	2 AGS

SUMMARY
1 CM 2 AGS
2 AM Misc.

Attached to Southwest Area Fleet

Composition	Location	
Subdiv 30	I-165 Sasebo. I-162 due Sasebo Mar. 10	3 SS
Torpedo Boat Div 11	Possibly Wake	3 TB
First Surface Escort Unit Desdiv 13 " 22 " 32 MIKATSUKE (DD) HOKAZE (DD) ASAKAZE (DD) MATSUKAZE (DD) KARUKAZE (DD)	15 DD, 2 TB, 1 XPG Escorting South and East China Seas, with some units probably Palao area	
PEKING MARU	Unknown	

SUMMARY
12 DD*
3 SS
5 TB
1 XPG

* 3 DD out of 15 enumerated in composition are considered lost.

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C. NAVAL FORCES IN CHINA

Composition	Location	
IZUMO (F)	Shanghai	1 OCA
Shanghai Base Force –	Shanghai	1 PR & Misc.
Desdiv 26	China coast	3 DD
Nanking Base Force	Nanking	Misc.
Central China Force		
UJI (F)	China coast	1 PG
Patdiv 11	Yangtze River	11 PR
Hankow Base Force –	Hankow	Misc.
Gunboat Div.	China coast	2 PG, 3 XPG
South China Force		
HASHIDATE (F)	Hongkong	1 PG
Minron 1	South China coast	1 PG, 2 AM
Guard Divs 15 & 16 –	South China coast	6 XPG
Canton Base Force	Canton	Misc.
Amoy Base Force –	Amoy	Misc.
Hainan Defense Force –	Hainan with 1 TB Bismarcks	1 TB and Misc.
North China Force		
Gunboat Divs 1,2,13,14 –	Gulf of Pechili	8 XPG
Tsingtao Base Force –	Tsingtao	Misc.

SUMMARY OF NAVAL FORCES IN CHINA AND HOME DEFENSE FORCES

3 OCA	1 TB
3 Training Vessels	1 DM
	2 AM
10 DD	4 PC
3 SS	12 PR
2 CM	19 XPG
5 PG	4 XAM
	Misc.

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D. HOME DEFENSE FORCES

Yokosuka Defense Force	Yokosuka 1 OCA, 1 Training vessel, Misc. Desdiv 1 – 3 DD Possibly Solomons
Chichijima Area Special Base Force	2 XPG, 4 XAM, 4 PC Chichijima
Kure Defense Force	Kure 1 Training vessel, Misc. Patrol craft
Kure Naval District Force Subdiv 33	3 SS Probably home waters
Sasebo Defense Force	Sasebo 1 OCA, Misc. Patrol Craft
Maizuru " "	Maizuru 1 Training vessel, Misc. Patrol craft
Ominato " "	Ominato 1 DM, 2 CM, Misc. Patrol Craft Desdiv 3 – 4 DD Empire with 1 unit Muroran

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3 CM	3 CL*	NAKA, AGANO, OYODO
29 DM	6 DD**	Some units New Guinea-Bismarks, Hong Kong
6 AM		
	37 SS	I-34 Aleutians, I-36 Yokosuka overhauling. RO-100 Rabaul, damaged, other units Empire, Hongkong Truk, Jaluit, Milne Bay and off Brisbane.

* 2 CL enumerated above are considered lost.
**1 DD out of 6 enumerated above is considered lost.

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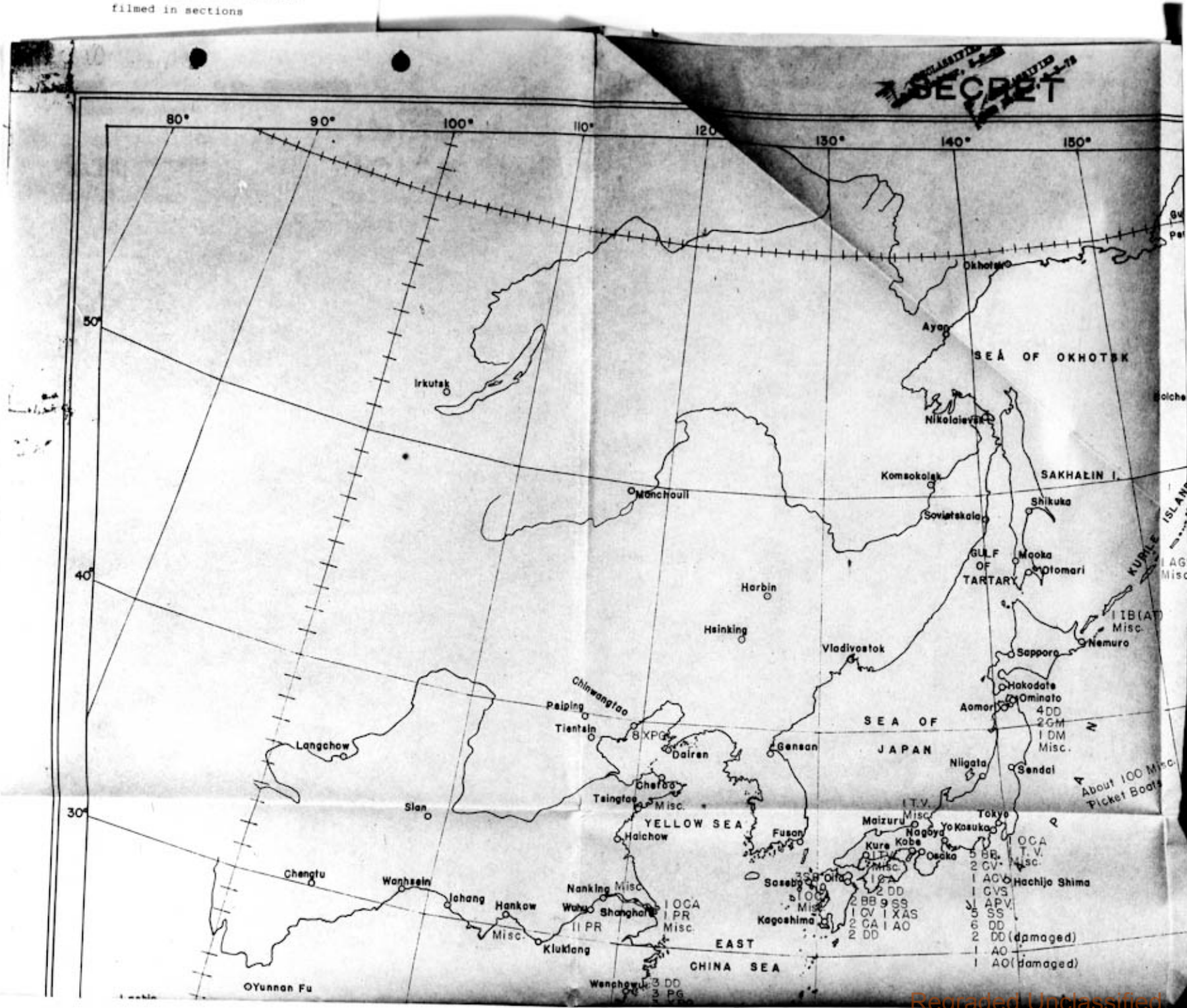
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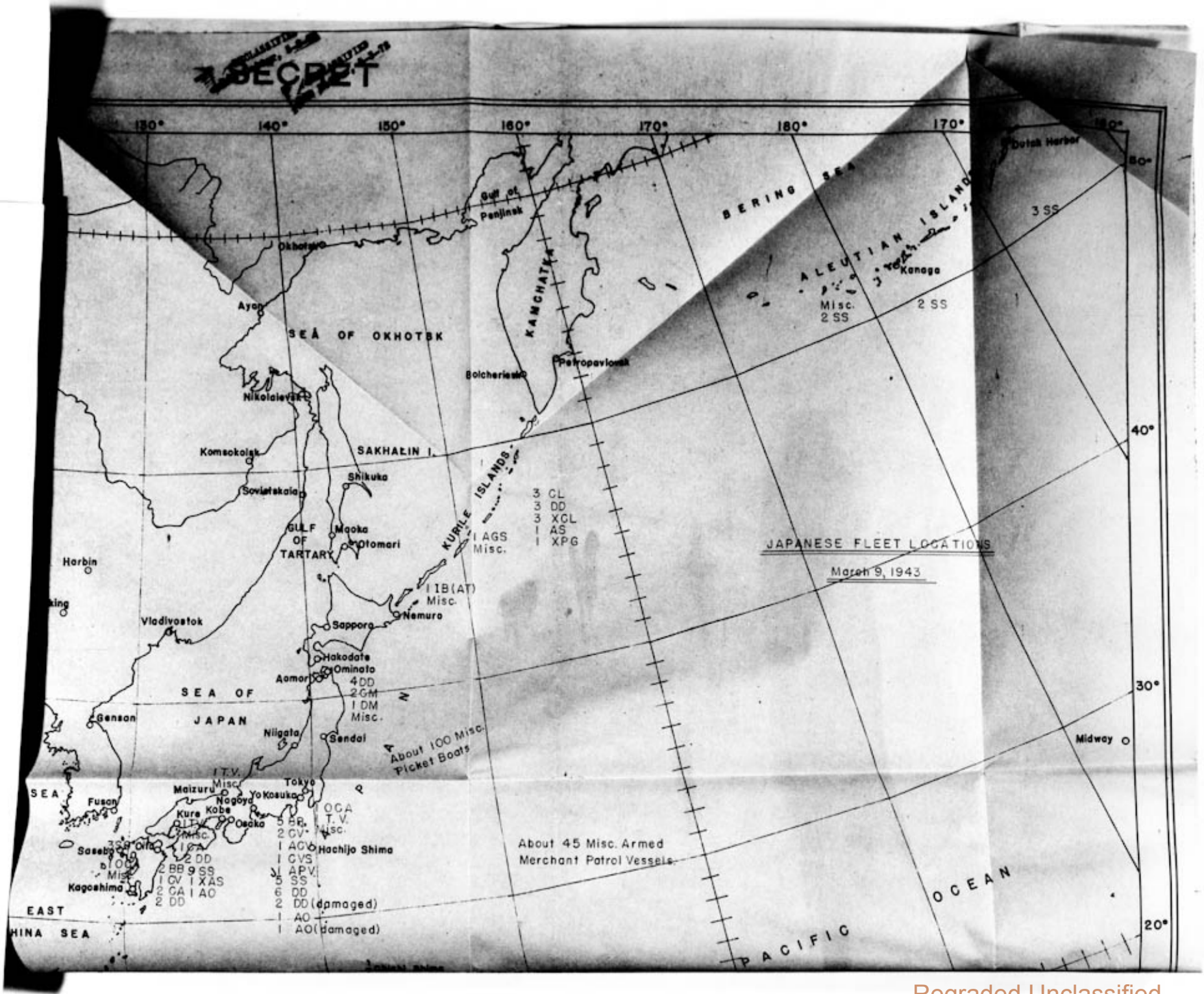
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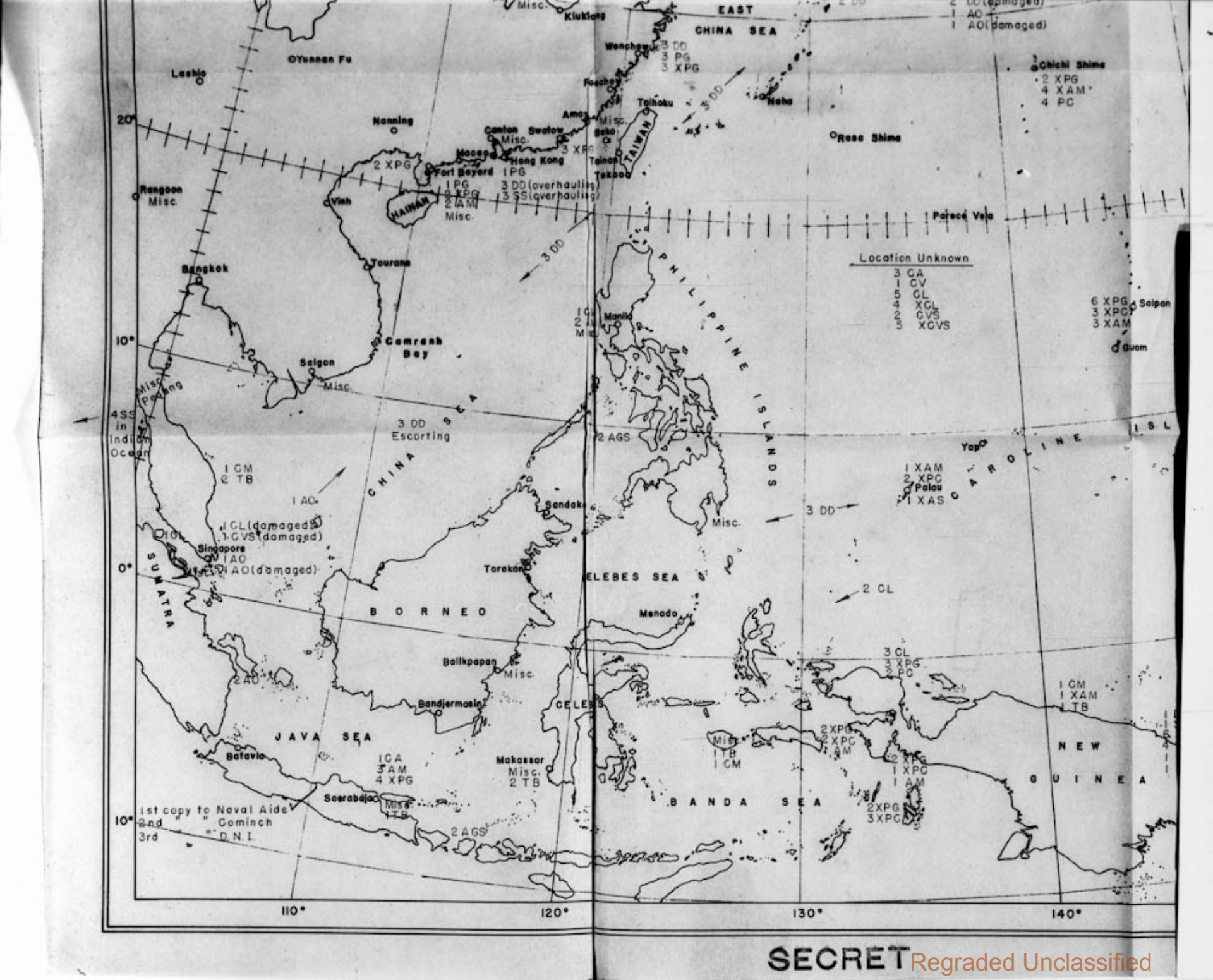
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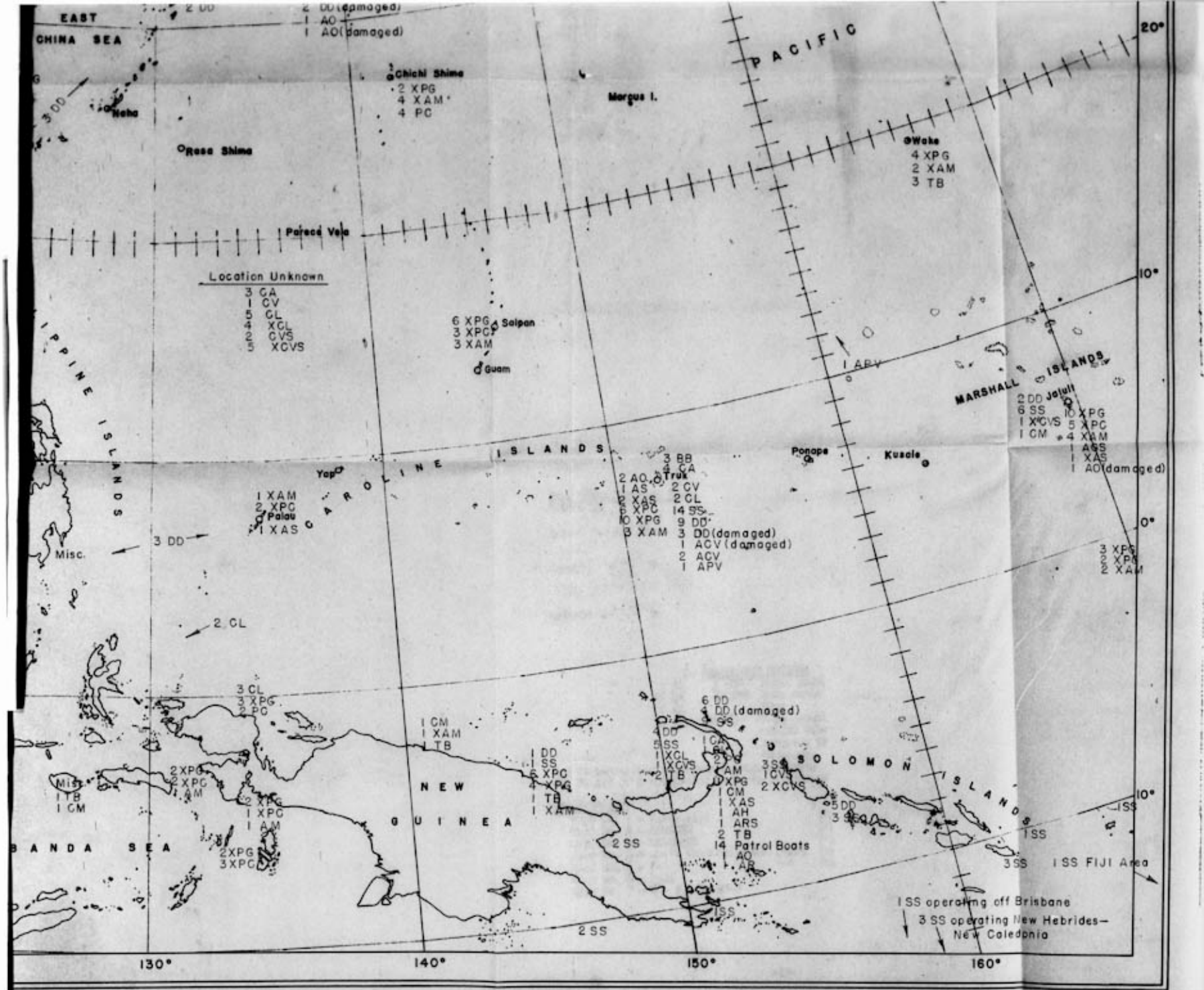
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SUBJECT: German Fleet Disposition.

Ship Type	Name	Location	Last Reported Date
~~BB~~	TIRPITZ	Trondheim area	February 19, 1943
~~BB~~	SCHARNHORST	Gdynia	February 21, 1943
~~BB~~	GNEISENAU	Gdynia	February 21, 1943
~~OBB~~	SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN	Gdynia	February 21, 1943
~~OBB~~	SCHLESIEN	Gdynia	February 21, 1943
~~CV~~	GRAF ZEPPELIN	Kiel; in floating dock	February 20, 1943
~~CA~~	ADMIRAL SCHEER	Wilhelmshaven	February 26, 1943
~~CA~~	LUETZOW	Altenfjord, Northern Norway	February 4, 1943
~~CA~~	SEYDLITZ	Bremen; being dismantled	February 20, 1943
~~CA~~	PRINZ EUGEN	Gdynia	February 21, 1943
~~CA~~	ADMIRAL HIPPER	Wilhelmshaven	February 26, 1943
~~CL~~	NUERNBERG (1)	Probably in Northern Norway	February 1, 1943
~~CL~~	LEIPZIG	Probably in Central Baltic	February 1, 1943
~~CL~~	KOELN	Kiel	February 20, 1943
~~CL~~	EMDEN	Gdynia	February 21, 1943
DDs	7/10 Units	Northern Norway	February 1, 1943
	8/11 Units	German North Sea and Baltic Ports	February 1, 1943
TORPEDO BOATS			
	2 Units	Norwegian Ports	February 1, 1943
	3 Units	German North Sea Ports	February 1, 1943
	15 Units	German Baltic Ports	February 1, 1943
	10/12 Units	Biscay and Channel Ports	February 1, 1943
SSs	THE FOLLOWING FIGURES ARE NOT TO BE REPRODUCED IN ANY FORM: (2)		
	97 Units	French Ports	February 22, 1943
	104 Units	Atlantic Patrols	February 22, 1943
	14 Units	Norwegian Patrols and Northern Waters	Feb. 22, 1943
	12 Units	Operating in Baltic	February 22, 1943
	22 Units	Operating in Mediterranean	February 22, 1943
	6 Units	Operating in Black Sea	February 22, 1943
	41 Units	Training	February 22, 1943
	136 Units	Trials	February 22, 1943
	432 Units Total.		

NOTES:

(1) NUERNBERG previously reported Bogen, Narvik area January 31, 1943.

(2) SSs previously reported. NOT TO BE REPRODUCED IN ANY FORM:

91 Units	French Ports	February 15, 1943
112 Units	Atlantic Patrols	February 15, 1943
15 Units	Norwegian Patrols and Northern Waters	Feb. 15, 1943
12 Units	Operating in Baltic	February 15, 1943
23 Units	Operating in Mediterranean	February 15, 1943
6 Units	Operating in Black Sea	February 15, 1943
41 Units	Training	February 15, 1943
131 Units	Trials	February 15, 1943
431 Units Total.		

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Disposition of Italian Fleet

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
~~BB~~	2 Units (CAVOUR Class)	Taranto	February 19, 1943
~~CL~~	2 Units	"	February 19, 1943
~~CVS~~	MIRAGLIA	"	November 10, 1942
DD	4 Units	"	February 6, 1943
SS	8 Units	"	February 6, 1943
DD	2 Units	Messina	February 19, 1943
SS	0 Units	"	February 19, 1943
DD	11 Units	Palermo	February 15, 1943
DD	5 Units	Trapani	February 9, 1943
SS	0 Units	"	February 9, 1943
SS	7 Units	Cagliari	January 26, 1943
~~CA~~	1 Unit	Maddalena	January 28, 1943
DD	1 Unit	"	January 28, 1943
SS	5 Units	"	December 30, 1942
~~CL~~	2 Units	Naples	February 19, 1943
DD	11 Units	"	February 9, 1943
SS	2 Units	"	February 7, 1943
CL	1 Unit ✓	18-20 mi S. Naples Castellammare di Stabia	February 17, 1943
CL	0 Units (REGOLO Class)	" " "	February 17, 1943
DD	1 Unit	" " "	February 9, 1943
~~CCL~~	3 Units	Livorno (guardships)	September 30, 1942
~~BB~~	LITTORIO	La Spezia	February 24, 1943
~~BB~~	VITTORIO VENETO	"	February 24, 1943
~~BB~~	ROMA (*)	"	February 24, 1943
~~CA~~	1 Unit	" (repairing)	February 19, 1943
~~CL~~	1 Unit (REGOLO Class)	" (repairing)	February 19, 1943
DD	13 Units	"	February 19, 1943
SS	10 Units	"	February 19, 1943
~~XCV~~	ROMA (Ex-Liner)	Genoa (building)	January 28, 1943
~~XCV~~	AUGUSTUS (Ex-Liner)	" (building)	January 28, 1943
XCV	Ex-REGOLO Class (CL) ✓	" (building)	January 28, 1943
~~CL~~	0 Units	"	February 19, 1943
SS	4 Units	" (2 in drydock)	January 28, 1943
DD	1 Unit	Venice	December 23, 1942

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Disposition of Italian Fleet (Continued)

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
DD	2 Units	Fiume	December 23, 1942
SS	2 Units	"	December 23, 1942
DD	2 Units	Monfalcone (fitting-out)	December 23, 1942
SS	4 Units	" (fitting-out)	December 23, 1942
~~BB~~	CAVOUR	Trieste	December 23, 1942
~~BB~~	DUILIO	"	December 23, 1942
~~CL~~	1 Unit	Pola	December 23, 1942
SS	7 Units	" (3 in drydock)	December 23, 1942
DD	8 Units	Aegean & Dodecanese Is.	December 31, 1942
SS	6 Units	" " " "	December 31, 1942
SS	10 Units	Bordeaux	December 31, 1942
~~BB~~	0 Units (*)	Unknown	
~~BB~~	1 CAVOUR Class	"	
~~CA~~	1 Unit	"	
DD	13 Units	"	
SS	5 Units	"	

(*) Indicates change since report of February 23, 1943.

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Disposition of French Vessels

There have been no changes in the disposition of any French Vessel since the last Disposition Report of February 23, 1943.

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Office of the Chief of Naval Operations
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MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Estimated Japanese Fleet Locations.

A. COMBINED FLEET

BB - YAMATO (Flag of CinC, Combined Fleet)

I. First Fleet

Composition	Location
Batdiv 1	4 BB
YAMATO (F)	Probably Truk.
NAGATO	Probably in home waters.
MUTSU)	Possibly Truk Area.
MUSASHI)	
Batdiv 2	4 BB
HYUGA)	Probably home waters.
ISE)	
FUSO)	
YAMASHIRO)	
Crudiv 9	2 CL
OI)	Enroute Truk.
KITAGAMI)	
Desron 1	1 CL, 5 DD
ABUKUMA (F)	Probably Northwest Pacific
Desdiv 6	Uncertain.
Desdiv 21	Probably Northwest Pacific

SUMMARY
8 BB
2 CL*
4 DD**

* 1 CL of Crudiv 9 is believed to be lost.
** 1 DD out of 5 enumerated in composition is considered lost.

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II. Second Fleet

Composition	Location
Crudiv 4	3 CA
ATAGO (F)	Probably Truk area.
TAKAO	Possibly Rabaul.
MAYA	Uncertain.
Crudiv 5	3 CA
MYOKO	Uncertain.
HAGURO	Possibly Truk area.
NACHI	Uncertain.
Desron 2	1 CL, 9 DD
ISUZU (F)	Uncertain.
Desdiv 15	Possibly Empire. HAYASHIO sunk.
Desdiv 24)	Probably Truk.
Desdiv 31)	

SUMMARY
6 CA
1 CL
7 DD*

* 2 DD out of total of 9 enumerated in composition are considered lost.

III. Third Fleet

ZUIKAKU (Acting Flag)

Composition	Location
Batdiv 3	2 BB
HARUNA)	Possibly Empire.
KONGO)	
Cardiv 1	3 CV
ZUIKAKU	Possibly Truk.
SHOKAKU	Probably Empire.
ZUIHO	Probably Truk.

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Third Fleet (continued)

Composition	Location
Cardiv 2	2 CV
HAYATAKA (F))	Possibly Empire.
HITAKA)	
Cardiv 50	1 ACV*, 2 DD
OTAKA	Believed in Truk, possibly damaged.
Unident. CV or ACV	Possibly Truk
Unident.	
DD YUKAZE)	Possibly Truk.
DD Unident.)	
UNYO	Truk.
CHUYO	Possibly Empire.
HOSHO	Uncertain. Possibly sunk.
	1 CV, 2 ACV
Crudiv 7	3 CA
KUMANO (F))	Possibly Truk.
SUZUYA)	
MOGAMI	Believed sunk.
Crudiv 8	2 CA
TONE)	Possibly Empire.
CHIKUMA)	
Desron 10	19 DD
Desdiv 4	Possibly Empire with Maikaze Truk, damaged.
Desdiv 10)	Possibly Rabaul - N. Solomons.
Desdiv 16)	
Desdiv 17	Truk with Isokaze Rabaul, damaged.
Desdiv 61	Possibly Truk.

SUMMARY

2 BB	4 CA**
6 CV*	15 DD***
3 ACV*	

* In addition there is believed to be in commission one or two unidentified CV or ACV.

** 1 CA out of 5 enumerated in composition is considered lost.

*** 6 DD " " 21 " " " are " "

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IV. Fourth Fleet

Composition	Location
CL - KASHIMA (F)	Probably Truk area 1 CL
TOKIWA	Unknown
TENYO MARU	Uncertain. 1 CM, 1 XCM
Subron 7	1 AS, 4 SS
AS - JINGEI (F)	Possibly Truk.
Subdiv 21)	Probably Aleutians.
Subdiv 26)	
Second Surface Escort Unit	6 DD, 1 CM
TSUGARU (F)	Uncertain.
Desdiv 29	Probably Truk area.
ASANAGI (DD)	Marshalls area.
MINEKAZE (DD))	Probably Truk area.
HATAKAZE (DD))	
3rd Base Force	13 XPG, 4 XPC, 3 XAM Probably most of these units sent to Rabaul and N.W. New Guinea from Palao.
4th Base Force	10 XPG, 6 XPC, 3 XAM Truk area
5th Base Force	10 XPG, 8 XPC, 3 XAM Probably most of these units sent to Rabaul from Saipan.
6th Base Force	24 XPG, 8 XAM, 9 XPC, 1 AGS Jaluit with part probably at Makin and some units probably in Solomons and at Wake Island.

SUMMARY

1 CL	1 XCM
5 DD*	1 AGS
4 SS	58 XPG
2 CM	25 XPC
1 AS	17 XAM

* 1 DD out of 6 enumerated in composition is considered lost.

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V. Fifth Fleet

Composition	Location
Crudiv 21	2 CL
KISO)	Probably N.W. Pacific
TAMA)	
Crudiv 22	3 XCL
AKAGI MARU (F))	Probably N.W. Pacific
AWATA MARU)	
ASAKA MARU)	
Northern Patrol Forces	About 45 misc. armed merchant patrol vessels.
Patdivs 1-5 incl.	Patrolling in N.W. Pacific
Inshore Picket Boat Force	About 100 misc. fishing craft. Patrolling off Japan coasts.
Kuriles Defense Force	1 AGS / Misc. others Kuriles
La Perouse Strait Patrol	1 IB (AT) / Misc. others
OTOMARI	N. Hokkaido waters
SHIOKAZE	Uncertain.
HACHIJO	Unknown
KAMITSU MARU	Probably N.W. Pacific
	1 DD, 1 CM, 1 XPG
5th Defense Force	Misc.Aux. & small craft Kiska

SUMMARY

2 CL	1 AGS
1 DD	1 IB (AT)
3 XCL	45 Misc. armed merchant patrol ships
1 CM	Misc.
1 XPG	

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VI. Sixth Fleet

Composition	Location
KATORI, flagship	Probably Truk area. 1 CL
Subron 1	1 AS, 2 XAS, 11 SS
AS - TAIGEI (F)*	Possibly Solomons.
I-9 (FF)	Empire, repairing until about May 1.
XAS - HELAN MARU	Uncertain.
XAS - NISSO MARU	Uncertain.
Subdiv 2	Possibly East Coral Sea. I-15 sunk.
Subdiv 15	Possibly New Guinea with I-31 northern Kuriles.
Subdiv 32	Unknown. Possibly Solomons.
Subron 2	1 AS, 1 XAS, 5 SS
AS - CHOGEI (F)*	
XAS - MANZYU MARU	
Subdiv 7	Possibly Truk, I-4 sunk.
Subdiv 8	I-8 vicinity Suva.
Subron 3	2 XAS, 14 SS
XAS - YASUKUNI MARU (F)	Probably Bismarks.
I-11 (FF)	Uncertain.
XAS - URAKAMI MARU	Possibly Truk.
Subdiv 11	Possibly Bismarks.
Subdiv 12	I-169 and I-171 Aleutians.
Subdiv 18)	Uncertain.
Subdiv 20)	
Subron 8	1 XAS, 10 SS
I-10 (FF)	Uncertain.
XAS - HIEI MARU	Possibly Truk.
Subdiv 1	New Hebrides with I-16 Truk.
Subdiv 3	Lae area with I-21 Yokosuka, repairing.
Subdiv 14	Indian Ocean.
Subron 13	Unlocated Composition unknown.
Subron 15	Unlocated Composition unknown.
SOYO MARU	1 XAS Home waters.

SUMMARY

1 CL	2 AS
34 SS**	7 XAS

* Tentative.
** 6 SS out of total of 40 enumerated in composition are considered lost.

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Eighth Fleet

Composition	Location
CA - CHOKAI	Possibly Rabaul
Acting (F)	1 CA
Crudiv 6	1 CA
AOBA	Uncertain
CL - TATSUTA	Unknown
CL - YUBARI	Uncertain
	2 CL
WAKATAKA	Possibly Hollandia area
SHIRATAKA	Unknown. Possibly sunk
	2 CM
Seaplatendiv 11	1 CVS, 3 XCVS
CHITOSE)	Possibly Rabaul-North Solomons
KAMIKAWA MARU)	
KUNIKAWA MARU)	
KIYOKAWA MARU	Uncertain
Desron 3	1 CL, 10 DD
SENDAI (F)	Possibly Rabaul-North Solomons
Desdiv 8	Truk with some units probably Solomons
Desdiv 11	Probably North Solomons
Desdiv 19	Enroute Singapore
Desron 4	1 CL, 11 DD
NAGARA (F)	Probably Rabaul area
Desdiv 2)	Rabaul-N. Solomons with YUGURE enroute Truk
Desdiv 9)	
Desdiv 27)	
Desdiv 30	Uncertain
8th Base Force	Rabaul with some units in Solomons, Wewak, Madang, Hollandia, and Manokwari 3 TB, 2 AM, 6 PC, 16 XPG, 14 Patrol Boats

SUMMARY

2 CA	3 TB
3 CL*	4 AM
14 DD**	6 PC
1 CVS	20 XPG
3 XCVS	3 XPC
1 CM***	14 Patrol Boats

* 1 CL out of 4 enumerated in composition is considered lost.
** 7 DD " " 21 " " " are " "
*** 1 CM " " 2 " " " is " "

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VIII. Eleventh Air Fleet

Composition	Location
Airflot 21	
Airflot 22	1 APV
FUJIKAWA MARU	Marshalls, departs Mar. 8 for Empire
Airflot 23	1 XCVS
OKITSU MARU	Uncertain
Airflot 24	1 CVS, 1 APV
KAMOI (F)	Possibly Empire
GOSHU MARU	Uncertain
Airflot 25	1 APV
NARUTO MARU	Uncertain
Airflot 26	1 CVS, 1 APV
AKITSUSHIMA	Possibly Marshalls
MOGAMIGAWA MARU	Possibly Truk area
KAMOGAWA MARU)	Unknown
KEIYO MARU)	
LYONS MARU)	
	3 APV
Desdiv 34	Uncertain
	3 DD

SUMMARY
2 DD*
2 CVS
1 XCVS
7 APV

* 1 DD out of 3 enumerated in composition considered lost.

Attached to Combined Fleet

CHIYODA	Uncertain
NISSHIN	Uncertain
NOTORO	Probably Singapore, damaged.
KIMIKAWA MARU	Unknown
SAGARA MARU	Uncertain
SANUKI MARU	Uncertain
SANYO MARU	Uncertain
YASUKAWA MARU	Uncertain
	3 CVS, 5 XCVS

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Attached to Combined Fleet

Composition	Location
AIKOKU MARU	Possibly Empire
GOKOKU MARU	Uncertain
KIYOZUMI MARU	Uncertain
KONGO MARU	Unknown
NOSHIRO MARU)	Uncertain
SEICHO MARU)	
	6 XCL
Desdiv 7	Uncertain
	3 DD
Subron 5	1 AS, 2 XAS, 7 SS
AS - KOMABASHI (F)	Probably N.W. Pacific
XAS - RIO DE JANEIRO MARU)	Uncertain
XAS - ARITAMA MARU)	
Subdiv 19)	Uncertain
Subdiv 28)	
Subron 6	1 XAS, 4 SS
XAS - NAGOYA MARU	Possibly Rabaul area
Subdiv 9	Operating from Penang. Probably in Indian Ocean
Subdiv 13	Possibly Truk area

Fleet Train

AH - MANILA MARU	Probably Rabaul.
AR - AKASHI	Probably Truk
ARS - NAGAURA	Probably Rabaul area
AO - IRO	Damaged west of Jaluit, under tow to Kwajalein
AO - HAYATOMO	Singapore, apparently under repair
AO - AKEBONO MARU	Probably Bismarks.
AO - TONAN MARU # 2	Yokohama, damaged.
AO - TONAN MARU # 3	Probably Singapore
AO - ITSUKUSHIMA MARU	Probably Singapore
AO - SAN LUIS MARU	Probably Palembang
AO - TATEKAWA MARU	Due Palembang Mar. 10 from Kure
AO - OMUROSAN MARU	Empire
AO - NISSHIN MARU # 2	- Departed Empire Feb. 27 for Singapore
AO - AKATSUKI MARU	Empire
AO - KOKUYO MARU	Truk
AO - TOEI MARU	Truk

SUMMARY

2 DD*	1 AS
9 SS**	20 AO
6 XCL	3 AF
3 CVS	2 AR
5 XCVS	1 XAP
3 XAS	20 AH
	7 ARS

* One DD of 3 enumerated in composition is considered lost

** Two SS of 11 " " " are " "

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B. SOUTHWEST AREA FLEET

Composition	Location	
IX.	First Southern Expeditionary Fleet	
KASHII (F)	Probably Malacca	1 CL
SHIMUSHU) KATSURIKI)	Uncertain. Probably Malay area	2 CM
9th Special Base Force	– Penang	Misc.
10th Special Base Force	– Singapore	Misc.
11th Special Base Force	– Saigon	Misc.
12th Special Base Force	– Rangoon	Misc.

SUMMARY

1 CL Misc.
2 CM

X.	Second Southern Expeditionary Fleet	
ASHIGARA	Probably Soerabaya area	1 CA
Crudiv 16	3 CL	
NATORI	Singapore, damaged	
KINU) KUMA)	Enroute Manokwari, due March 4	
21st Special Base Force	– Soerabaya	3 AM & Misc.
22nd Special Base Force	– Balikpapan	Misc.
23rd Special Base Force	– Makassar with 1 CM Singapore 1 CM, 2 TB & Misc.	
24th Special Base Force	Ambon 1 CM, 2 TB & Misc.	
25th Special Base Force	Fak Fak and Kaimana, Dutch New Guinea 4 XPG, 3 XPC, 2 AM, Misc.	
Gunboat Div 2	NEI waters	4 XPG
Survey Div 1	NEI waters	2 AGS

SUMMARY

1 CA	4 TB
3 CL	2 AGS
2 CM	3 AM
4 XPG	Misc.

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XI. Third Southern Expeditionary Fleet

Composition	Location	
YAEYAMA (F)	Philippines	1 CM
31st Special Base Force	– Manila	2 AM & Misc.
32nd " " "	– Davao	Misc.
Survey Div. 2	Philippines	2 AGS

SUMMARY
1 CM 2 AGS
2 AM Misc.

Attached to Southwest Area Fleet

Composition	Location	
Subdiv 30	I-165 and I-162 due Sasebo Mar. 5 and Mar. 12 respectively from Soerabaya	3 SS
Torpedo Boat Div 11	Possibly Wake	3 TB
First Surface Escort Unit		15 DD, 2 TB, 1 XPG
Desdiv 13)	Escorting South and East China Seas.	
" 22)		
" 32)		
MIKATSUKE (DD))		
HOKAZE (DD))		
ASAKAZE (DD))		
MATSUKAZE (DD))		
KARUKAZE (DD))		
PEKING MARU	Unknown	

SUMMARY
12 DD*
3 SS
5 TB
1 XPG

* 3 DD out of 15 enumerated in composition are considered lost.

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C. NAVAL FORCES IN CHINA

Composition	Location	
IZUMO (F)	Shanghai	1 OCA
Shanghai Base Force	Shanghai	1 PR & Misc.
Desdiv 26	China coast	3 DD
Nanking Base Force	Nanking	Misc.
Central China Force		
UJI (F)	China coast	1 PG
Patdiv 11	Yangtze River	11 PR
Hankow Base Force	Hankow	Misc.
Gunboat Div.	China coast	2 PG, 3 XPG
South China Force		
HASHIDATE (F)	Hongkong	1 PG
Minron 1	South China coast	1 PG, 2 AM
Guard Divs 15 & 16	South China coast	6 XPG
Canton Base Force	Canton	Misc.
Amoy Base Force	Amoy	Misc.
Hainan Defense Force	Hainan with 1 TB Bismarcks	1 TB and Misc.
North China Force		
Gunboat Divs 1,2,13,14	Gulf of Pechili	8 XPG
Tsingtao Base Force	Tsingtao	Misc.

SUMMARY OF NAVAL FORCES IN CHINA AND HOME DEFENSE FORCES

1 CL	1 TB
3 OCA	1 DM
3 Training Vessels	2 AM
	4 PC
10 DD	12 PR
3 SS	19 XPG
2 CM	4 XAM
5 PG	Misc.

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D. HOME DEFENSE FORCES

Yokosuka Defense Force	Yokosuka 1 OCA, 1 Training vessel, Misc. Desdiv 1 - 3 DD Possibly Solomons
Chichijima Area Special Base Force	2 XPG, 4 XAM, 4 PC Chichijima
Kure Defense Force	Kure 1 Training vessel, Misc. Patrol craft
Kure Naval District Force CL - JINTSU Subdiv 33	1 CL, 3 SS Uncertain Probably home waters
Sasebo Defense Force	Sasebo 1 OCA, Misc. Patrol Craft
Maizuru " "	Maizuru 1 Training vessel, Misc. Patrol Craft
Ominato " "	Ominato 1 DM, 2 CM, Misc. Patrol Craft Desdiv 3 - 4 DD Empire with 1 unit Muroran

E. ASSIGNMENT UNKNOWN

2 CA*	AGANO, OYODO
1 CL**	NAKA
6 DD***	Some units New Guinea-Bismarcks
41 SS****	I-34 Aleutians, RO-100 Rabaul, damaged, other units Empire, Truk, Jaluit, Lae area, and off Sydney.
3 CM	
29 DM	
6 AM	

* 1 CA enumerated above is considered lost.
** 1 CL enumerated above is considered lost.
*** 2 DD out of 6 enumerated above are considered lost.
**** 3 SS " " 41 " " " " "

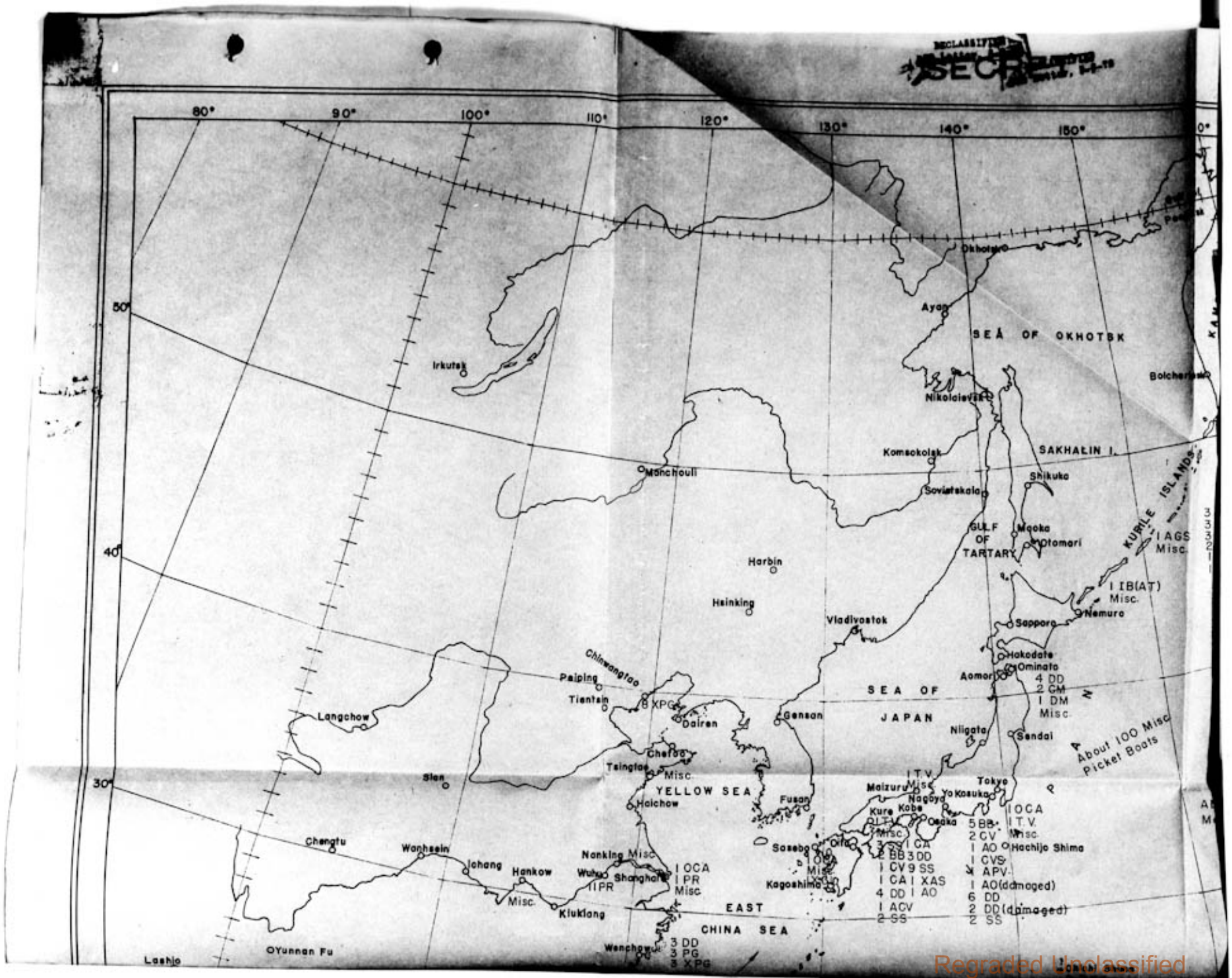
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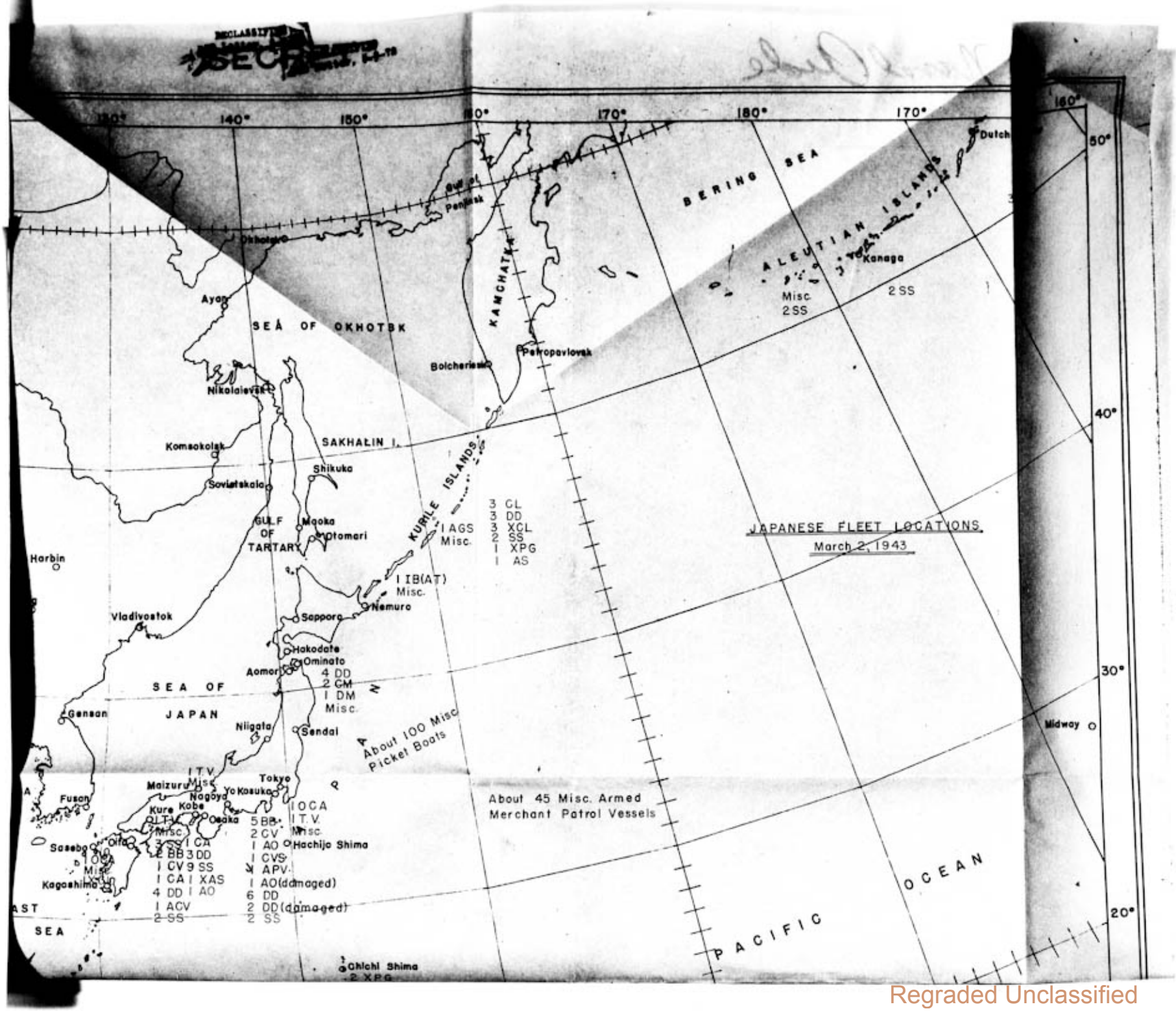
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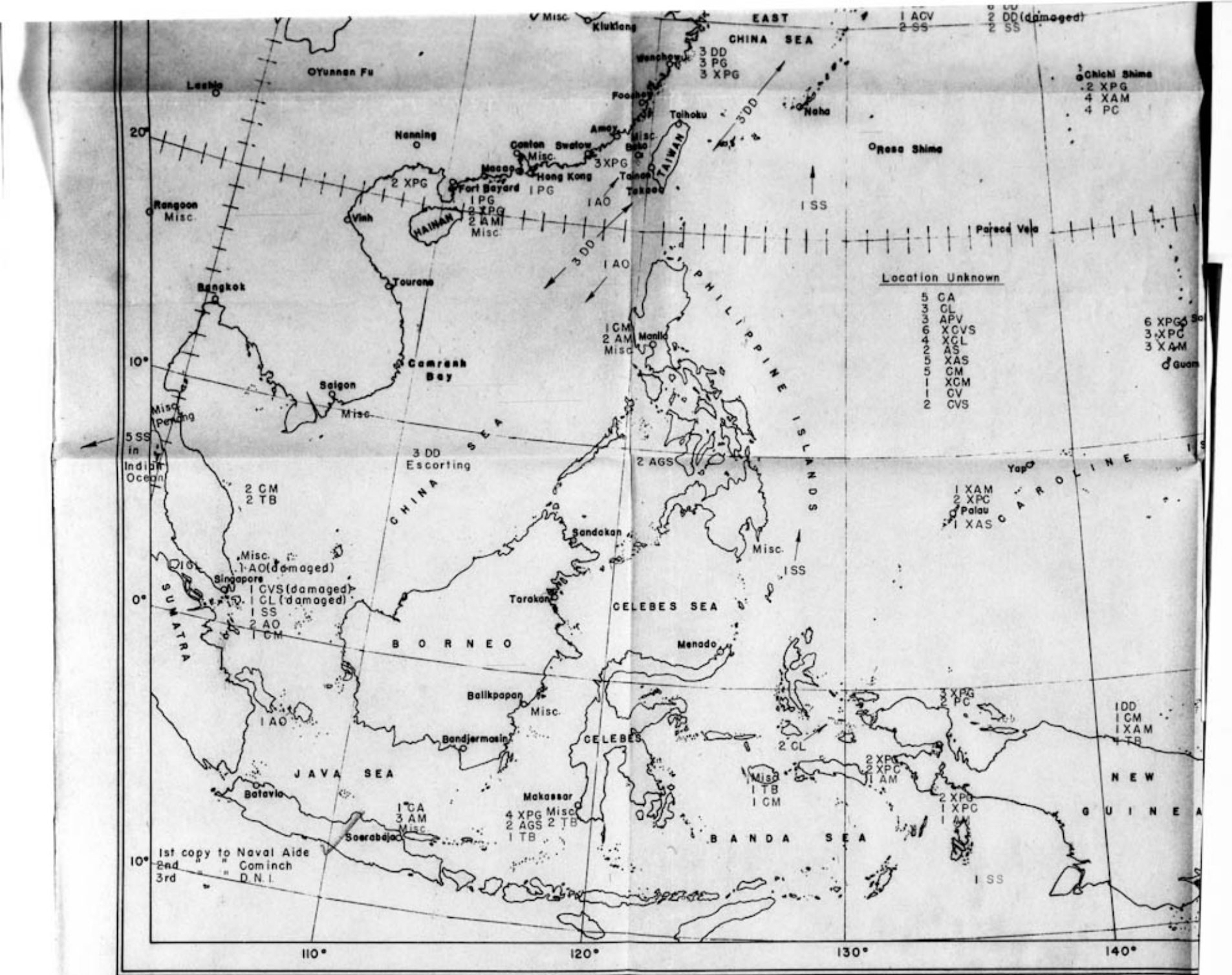
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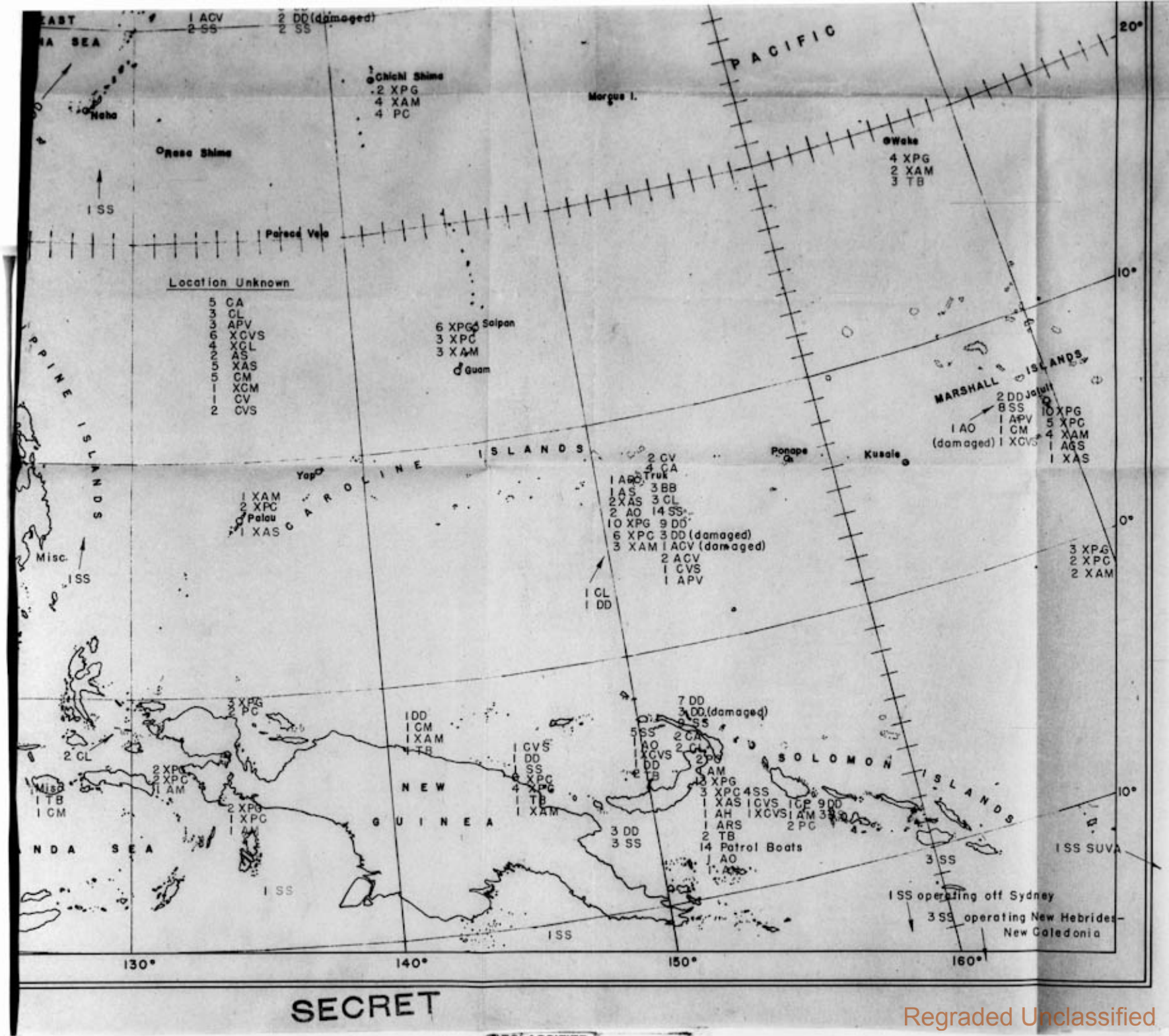
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