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FLEET LOCATIONS

German, Italian, French (Vichy),
French (British Control) and Japanese

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SUBJECT: German Fleet Disposition.

Ship Type	Name	Location	Last Reported Date
BB	TIRPITZ	Trondheim	May 21, 1942
BB	SCHARNHORST	Kiel	May 19, 1942
BB	GNEISENAU	Gdynia	May 3, 1942
BBB	SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN	Gdynia	March 3, 1942
BBB	SCHLESSEN	Kiel	May 8, 1942
CV	GRAF ZEPPELIN	Gdynia	March 3, 1942
CA	ADMIRAL SCHEER (1)	Narvik	May 14, 1942
CA	LUETZOW (2)	Trondheim	May 21, 1942
CA	SEYDLITZ	Bremen	May 15, 1942
CA	PRINZ EUGEN (3)	Kiel	May 19, 1942
CA	ADMIRAL HIPPER (2)	Trondheim	May 21, 1942
CL	NUERNBERG	Kiel	May 19, 1942
CL	LEIPZIG	Swinemuende	May 15, 1942
CL	KOELN	Wilhelmshaven	May 8, 1942
CL	EMDEN	Swinemuende	May 15, 1942
DD's (4)			
	3 Units	Northern Norway	March 30, 1942
	4 Units	Trondheim area	March 30, 1942
	7 Units	German North Sea Ports	March 30, 1942
	3 Units	German Baltic Ports	March 30, 1942
SS's			
	13 Units	Eastern Baltic; against Russia	April 21, 1942
	37 Units	Baltic; Training School	April 21, 1942
	78 Units	Trials and Working Up	April 21, 1942
	19 Units	Norway; Bases and Patrols	April 21, 1942
	40 Units	West France; Bases	April 27, 1942
	48 Units	Atlantic Patrols	April 27, 1942
	23 Units	Mediterranean; Bases and Patrols	April 21, 1942
	256 Units Total		

NOTES: (1) ADMIRAL SCHEER previously reported Trondheim May 2, 1942. ADMIRAL SCHEER's presence at Narvik has not been definitely established by photo-reconnaissance.

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- (2) Either LUEZOW or HIPPER accompanied by 2 DD's and one large tanker passed into Trondheims Leden outward bound at 0300 B time May 26, 1942, according to an Admiralty report, graded B-2. LUEZOW was previously reported off the Skaw May 16, 1942.
- (3) PRINZ EUGEN previously reported off Lister, Norway, May 17, 1942.
- (4) Previously reported:

7 Units	Norwegian waters	March 23, 1942
6 Units	German North Sea Ports	March 23, 1942
3 Units	German Baltic Ports	March 23, 1942

Four DD's accompanied PRINZ EUGEN enroute Trondheim to Kiel May 16 to May 19, 1942. Four DD's accompanied LUEZOW enroute Gdynia to Trondheim May 16 to May 20, 1942.

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DISPOSITION OF ITALIAN FLEET

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
BB	VITTORIO VENETO	Taranto (repairing)	March 24, 1942
BB	LITTORIO	" (repairing)	April 29, 1942
BB	CESARE	"	February 26, 1942
BB	CAVOUR Class	"	April 9, 1942 (1)
CL's	5 Units	" (1 repairing)	February 26, 1942
CVS	MIRAGLIA	"	February 27, 1942
DD's	15 Units	"	February 26, 1942
SS's	10 Units	"	April 17, 1942
BB	CAVOUR Class	Messina (damaged)	April 19, 1942 (1)
CA's	2 Units	"	April 28, 1942 (2)
DD's	6 Units	"	April 9, 1942
SS's	2 Units	"	April 9, 1942
CV	ROMA (Ex-liner)	Genoa (building)	May 13, 1942
CA	1 Unit	" (repairing)	March 23, 1942 (2)
CL's	2 Units (Regolo Class)	" (building)	April 17, 1942
OBM	1 Unit	" (harbor defense)	June 1941
DD's	2 Units	" (1 repairing)	March 15, 1942
SS's	2 Units	" (repairing)	January 15, 1942
CL's	2 Units (Regolo Class)	Trigoso (building)	April 17, 1942
CA	1 Unit	La Spezia (repairing)	January 11, 1942
OCL's	3 Units	" (guardships)	April 16, 1942
SS's	1 Unit	" (repairing)	April 17, 1942
CL's	4 Units (Regolo Class)	Livorno (building)	April 17, 1942
CL's	0 Units	Naples	April 7, 1942
DD's	12 Units	" (8 repairing)	April 7, 1942
SS's	5 Units	"	April 7, 1942
DD's	2 Units	Anzio-Nettuno	August 12, 1941
CL	1 Unit (Regolo Class)	Palermo (building)	April 17, 1942
DD's	1 Unit	"	April 7, 1942

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Disposition of Italian Fleet (cont'd)

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
DD's	2 Units	Trapani	February 27, 1942
SS's	2 Units	"	February 27, 1942
DD's	3 Units	Augusta	February 1, 1942
SS's	2 Units	"	February 1, 1942
SS's	4 Units	Cagliari	February 1, 1942
BB	ROMA	Trieste (building)	May 13, 1942
BB	CAVOUR	" (repairing)	March 29, 1942
CL's	2 Units (Regolo Class)	Monfalcone (building)	April 17, 1942
BB	IMPERO	Brindisi (building)	April 22, 1942
SS's	5 Units	"	March 18, 1942
DD's	2 Units	N. Aegean & Dodecanese Is.	April 8, 1942
SS's	5 Units	"	April 8, 1942 (3)
SS's	13 Units	Bordeaux	April 29, 1942 (4)
DD's	3 Units	Tripoli	April 5, 1942
SS's	3 Units (Ex-Yugoslav)	Tecodo	October 15, 1941
CL's	4 Units	Unknown	
DD's	32 Units	"	
SS's	13 Units	"	

- (1) Either DORIA or DUILIO, one of which is at Messina with a damaged stern.
(2) CA previously reported sunk is known to be at Messina. Admiralty believes vessel sunk was either BOLZANO (Genoa) or CL, BANDE NERE.
(3) Reports indicate these submarines may be German. One of them is now in the floating dry dock.
(4) Number of submarines at sea unknown.

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Disposition of French (Vichy) Fleet

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
BB	DUNKERQUE (damaged)	Toulon	April 30, 1942
BB	STRASBOURG	"	April 30, 1942
OB	PROVENCE	"	April 30, 1942
CA	4 Units	"	February 15, 1942
CL	3 Units	"	February 15, 1942
DL	19 Units	"	February 15, 1942
DD	14 Units (*)	"	February 15, 1942
SS	16 Units (*)	"	February 15, 1942
DD	2 Units (*)	Oran	May 18, 1942
SS	6 Units (*)	"	May 18, 1942 (1)
DD	1 Unit	Algiers	April 27, 1942
DD	5 Units (*)	Bizerte	May 23, 1942
SS	7 Units (*)	"	May 23, 1942
BB	JEAN BART (incomplete)	Casablanca	May 23, 1942
CL	2 Units	"	May 23, 1942
DL	3 Units	"	May 14, 1942 (2)
DD	5 Units (*)	"	May 9, 1942
SS	7 Units (*)	"	May 9, 1942
BB	RICHELIEU (damaged)	Dakar	May 12, 1942
CL	2 Units	"	May 15, 1942 (3)
DL	3 Units	"	May 16, 1942 (4)
SS	13 Units (*)	"	May 19, 1942 (5)
CV	BEARN (immobilized)	Martinique	May 17, 1942
CL	1 Unit	"	May 15, 1942
CL	1 Unit	Guadeloupe	May 15, 1942
CL	1 Unit	Saigon	February 15, 1942
DD	1 Unit (*)	Unreported	
SS	11 Units (*)	"	(6)

(*) Indicates changes since May 19 report.

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Disposition of French (Vichy) Fleet (Continued)

- (1) OREADE and PSYCHE, repairs completed, back in commission.
- (2) ALBATROS, EPERVIER and MILAN departed May 14, probably on practice cruise.
- (3) MONTCALEM moored Mole 8, with torpedo net for protection.
- (4) L'AUDACIEUX, damaged in September 1940, now used as floating barrack - reported would attempt to limp north this month.
- (5) 3-5 normally away from port on escort or patrol duty.
- (6) French Admiralty announced loss of 1379-ton LE HEROS at Madagascar; British claim sinking of 1379-ton BEVEZIER. Possible confusion of names exists. But 1 SS has been removed from naval list pending further information.

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Disposition of Free French (British) Fleet

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
OB	COURBET	Portsmouth	April 20, 1942
DD	4 Units	"	April 20, 1942
SS	2 Units	"	March 23, 1942
OB	PARIS	Plymouth	March 9, 1942
DD	1 Unit	"	April 20, 1942
SS	1 Unit	Swansea	March 23, 1942
DL	1 Unit	Humber	April 20, 1942
SS	2 Units	Dundee	April 20, 1942 (1)
DD	1 Unit	Clyde	March 23, 1942
DD	0 Units	Sheerness	March 23, 1942
DD	1 Unit	Harwich	April 18, 1942
SS	1 Unit	Lerwick	April 15, 1942
DL	1 Unit	Sydney	May 5, 1942
SS	0 Units	Unknown	March 23, 1942

(1) Under repair - date uncertain.

Immobilized French Vessels

BB	LORRAINE	Alexandria	April 23, 1942
CA	3 Units	"	"
CL	1 Unit	"	"
DD	3 Units	"	"
SS	1 Unit	"	"

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MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Japanese Fleet Locations.

The below listed locations of Japanese naval forces are estimates based on the best available information, including some sight contacts which are noted. It is believed that this forms a fair general approximation.

Combined Fleet

Location

BB - YAMATO - Flag of CinC, Combined Fleet Believed to remain in home waters

I. First Fleet

Composition:

Batdiv 1
NAGATO (F)
MUTSU
YAMASHIRO

Batdiv 2
HYUGA
ISE
FUSO

May have departed Kure, but believed still in home waters.

6 BB

Cardiv 4
KORYU (F)
KASUGA
Desdiv

Yokosuka area. Uncertain
Home yard

2 CV, 4 DD

Desron 3
SENDAI
Desdiv 11

Home waters

" 12
" 19
" 20

1 CL, 15 DD

SUMMARY

6 BB / 1 BB (Combined Fleet Flag)
2 CV
1 CL
19 DD

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II.

Second Fleet

CA - KUMANO - Temporary Flagship of CinC,
2nd Fleet

Saipan area.

Composition:

Location:

Batdiv 3
HIYET (F)
KIRISHIMA
KONGO
HARUNA

4 BB

Kyushu waters

Cardiv 1
AKAGI (F)
KAGA
Desdiv

2 CV, 4 DD

Kyushu waters, exercises
completed

Cardiv 2
SORYU (F)
HIRYU

Desdiv 23

2 CV, 4 DD

Mandated waters
Kyushu waters, exercises
completed.

Crudiv 7
MOGAMI
MIKUMA
SUZUYA

3 CA

Enroute Saipan

Crudiv 8
TONE
CHIKUMA

*1 CA

Kyushu waters

Desron 2
JINTSU (F)
Desdiv 8 }
" 15 }
" 16 }
" 18 }

1 CL, 16 DD

Saipan area

Desron 4
KITAGAMI (F)
Desdiv 2
" 9
" 24

1 CL, 9 DD

Kyushu waters

Desron
KUMA (F)
Desdiv
"
"

1 CL, 12 DD

Home waters

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II.

Second Fleet (continued)

Composition:

Location:

Subron 3

1 AS
7 SS

Marshall Islands

9th Base Force

Composition Unknown Kota Bharu

10th Base Force

" "

Penang

* 1 CA of Crudiv 8 is considered lost.

SUMMARY

4 BB
4 CV
4 CA //
1 CL //
45 DD
1 AS
7 SS

// 1 CA out of total of 5 enumerated in composition is considered lost.
// 2 CL " " " " 3 " " " " are " "

III.

Fourth Fleet

Composition:

Location:

Crudiv 18

KASHIMA, Flag of CinC, 4th Fleet
TENRYU }
TATSUTA)

* 2 CL

Rabaul area

Truk area

Crudiv 6

KAKO (F)
KINUGASA
ACBA
FURUTAKA

* 2 CA

Maizuru Navy Yard

Desron 6

Desdiv 29
" 30

7 DD

Truk-Rabaul area

Repair & Salvage

2 XAR

Probably Palau

Miscellaneous

1 CM, 1 Survey Ship

Mandates

* 1 CL from Crudiv 18, 2 CA from Crudiv 6 considered lost.

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III.

Fourth Fleet (continued)

Composition:

Location:

SUMMARY

2 CA
2 CL
7 DD
1 CM
2 XAR
1 Survey Ship

IV.

Mandated Islands Base Defense Forces

Location:

1.	3rd Base Force	4 XPG 4 SS Misc. AP & AK	Palau
2.	4th Base Force	7 PT or PC Misc. AP & AK	Truk
3.	5th Base Force	1 CM 3 XPG AP & AK	Saipan
4.	6th Base Force	1 CM 4 XAM 3 PC 15 PT AP & AK	Jaluit
5.	7th Base Force	Miscellaneous craft	Chichijima
6.	8th Base Force	4 XPG 9 PT or PC AP & AK Miscellaneous	Rabaul

V.

Fifth Fleet

Composition:

Location:

NACHI, Flagship of CinC, 5th Fleet	1 CA	Ominate
TAMA	1 CL	Ominate area

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Fifth Fleet (continued)

Composition:

Location:

Cardiv 3
RYUJO (F)
HOSHO
NITTA MARU
ZUIHO
NISSHIN MARU
Desdiv 17

2 CV, 3 XCV, 3 DD

Ominato area
Home waters
" "
Believed in Ominato area
" " "
Ominato area

Cardiv 5
ZUIKAKU (F)
SHOKAKU
Desdiv 3

2 CV, 4 DD

Home port
In Yokosuka Yard for repairs

Crudiv 4
ATAGO (F)
TAKAO
MAYA

3 CA

Ominato area

Crudiv 5
MYOKO
HAGURO

2 CA

Home waters

Desron 1
ABUKUMA (F)
Desdiv 6
" 21
" 27

1 CL, 12 DD

Ominato area

Sakron 1

1 AS
7 SS

Ominato-Kuriles area

Minron 2
Mindiv 3
" 4

8 DM

Home waters

Northern Detachment

Patron 1
HOKOKU MARU *
OZAN MARU

Patron 2
KOWA MARU
5 SHIROTETSU MARU

Ominato-Kuriles area

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Fifth Fleet (continued)

Composition:

Location:

Patron 3
RAMON MARU

SHIRIYA

14-17 XAV & XCL

1 AO

Ominato area

SUMMARY

6 CA
4 CV
3 XCV
2 CL
19 DD
1 AS
7 SS
1 AO
8 DM

14-17 XAV & XCL

* Reported to carry 2 - 6" guns and AA machine guns and 2 planes on after deck.

VI.

Sixth Fleet (Submarine Fleet)

Composition:

Location:

KATORI (Flag)

1 CL

Truk area

Subron 2
KOMABASHI (F)
Subdiv 3)
" 5)

N.E.I. - Yokosuka areas

1 AS , 6 SS

Subron 5
KINU (F)
Subdiv 9
" 13

Home waters

1 CL, 4 SS

Subron 6
KARASAKI (F)
Subdiv 18
" 19
" 21

Truk area

1 AS, 8 SS

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Composition:
Subron 7

Sixth Fleet (continued)

Location:
Sasebo-Truk area

1 XAS
9 SS

Subron 8

1 AS
8 SS

Part in Yokosuka, part
in Saigon area

SUMMARY

2 CL
3 AS
1 XAS
35 SS

VII.

Third Fleet

Composition:

Location:

NATORI, Flagship of C-in-C, 3rd Fleet 1 CL
ASHIGARA 1 CA

Soerabaya area
Enroute Sasebo from Soera-
baya, Java

Desron 5
ISUZU (F)
Desdiv 5
" 22
" 34

Escorting convoys Phil-
ippine-NEI area

1 CL, 11 DD

Subron 4
YURA (F)
Subdiv 28
" 29
" 30

Operating from Penang,
except one unit in home
waters

1 CL, 8 SS

NOTORO

1 AV

Singapore area

Minron 3
Mindiv 5
" 6

8 DM

West coast of Luzon

1st Base Force
NAGARA (F)

1 CL

Uncertain. Probably re-
turned NEI-Philippines area
from Maizuru

Mindiv
Mindivs 1 & 21
Gunboat Div 1
Subchaser Divs 1, 11, 21, 31
Miscellaneous

3 CM
12 AM
6 XPG
11 PC }

Mindivs on west coast of
Luzon

N.E.I. area

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Composition:
2nd Base Force
NAKA (F)
Mindiv 17

21st Base Force

31st Base Force

32nd Base Force

Third Fleet (continued)

Location:

1 CL West coast of Luzon
3 CM " " " "

Unknown Tarakan

Unknown Celebes-Davao area

Davao area

SUMMARY

1 CA
2 CL ✓
11 DD
8 SS
1 AV
6 CM
8 DM
12 AM
6 XPG
11 PC

✓ 3 CL out of total of 5 enumerated in composition are considered lost.

VIII.

Southern Expeditionary Fleet

Composition:

Location:

CHOKAI (F)
KASHII }
SHIMUSHU)

1 CA Kure
1 CL China coast

1 CM

Desdiv 7

4 DD Yokosuka

SUMMARY

1 CA
1 CL
1 CM
4 DD

IX.

Combined Air Force

Comdr., Combined Air Force

Tinian, Marianas

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CHITOSE
CHIYODA

Saipan area

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Combined Air Force

Composition:

Location:

Airon 11
NISSHIN

Tinian, Marianas

1 AV, 1 XAV

Airon 21
SOYO MARU

2 XAV Operate with Fifth Fleet in
N.E. home waters

Airon 22
KINUGASA MARU

Ominato-Kuriles area

2 XAV

Airon 23
KAGU MARU)
OKITSU MARU)
KOBE MARU)

Saipan area

3 XAV

Airon 24
KAMOI
GOSHU MARU

Truk area
Saipan area

1 AV, 1 XAV

Airon 25
KAMIKAWA MARU
FUJIKAWA MARU
KENJO MARU
KIYOZUMI MARU

Saipan area
Truk area
Arrives Tateyama 5/26
Uncertain. May be Truk
area.

4 XAV

Airon 26

1 XAV Kisarazu

Airon 35

2 XAV N.E.I. area

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16 XAV

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1st China Expeditionary Fleet
and China Fleets Command Unit

Vicinity of Shanghai
and Yangtze River

IZUMO (Fleet Flag)	1 OCA
Desdiv 26	3 DD
Gunboat Div.	4 PG
Patdiv 11	10 PR

2nd China Expeditionary Fleet

HASHIDATE	1 PG	Hongkong
Minron 1	1 PG	Flagship at Sama, Hainan
	3 AM	East coast of China
Torpddiv 1	4 TB	" " " "

3rd China Expeditionary Fleet

Gulf of Pechili

	1 OCA
Torpddiv 11	4 TB
Torpddiv 21	4 TB
	1 DD
	3 AM

XI.

Fleet Train

Since so many merchant vessels are now employed to augment the Fleet Train, it is impossible to give a complete list.

NAME
TSURUMI (AO)

LOCATION:
Enroute to Kure for repairs

SUMMARY

7 AO
2 AF
2 AC
2 AR
3 ARS

Home Waters
(Defense Squadrons or Unassigned)

4 OCA
2 OCL
1 DD
6 SS
2 AS
2 CM
4 DM
1 Coast Defense Ship
8 PC
1 AK
1 Target Ship
2 Training Ships
1 Ice Breaker
1 Survey Ship
4 Cable Layers

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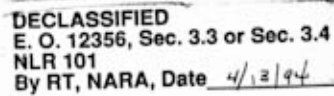
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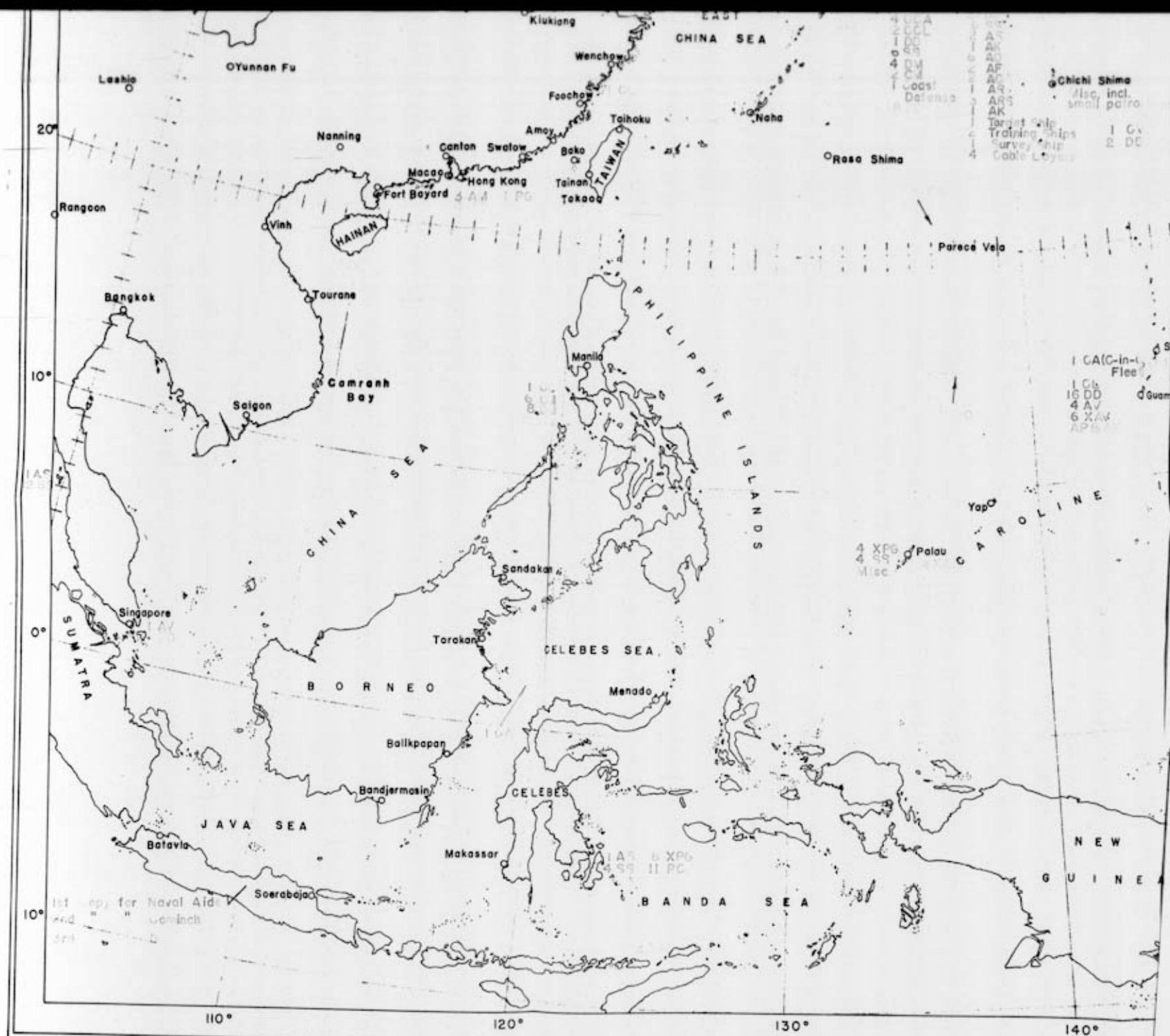
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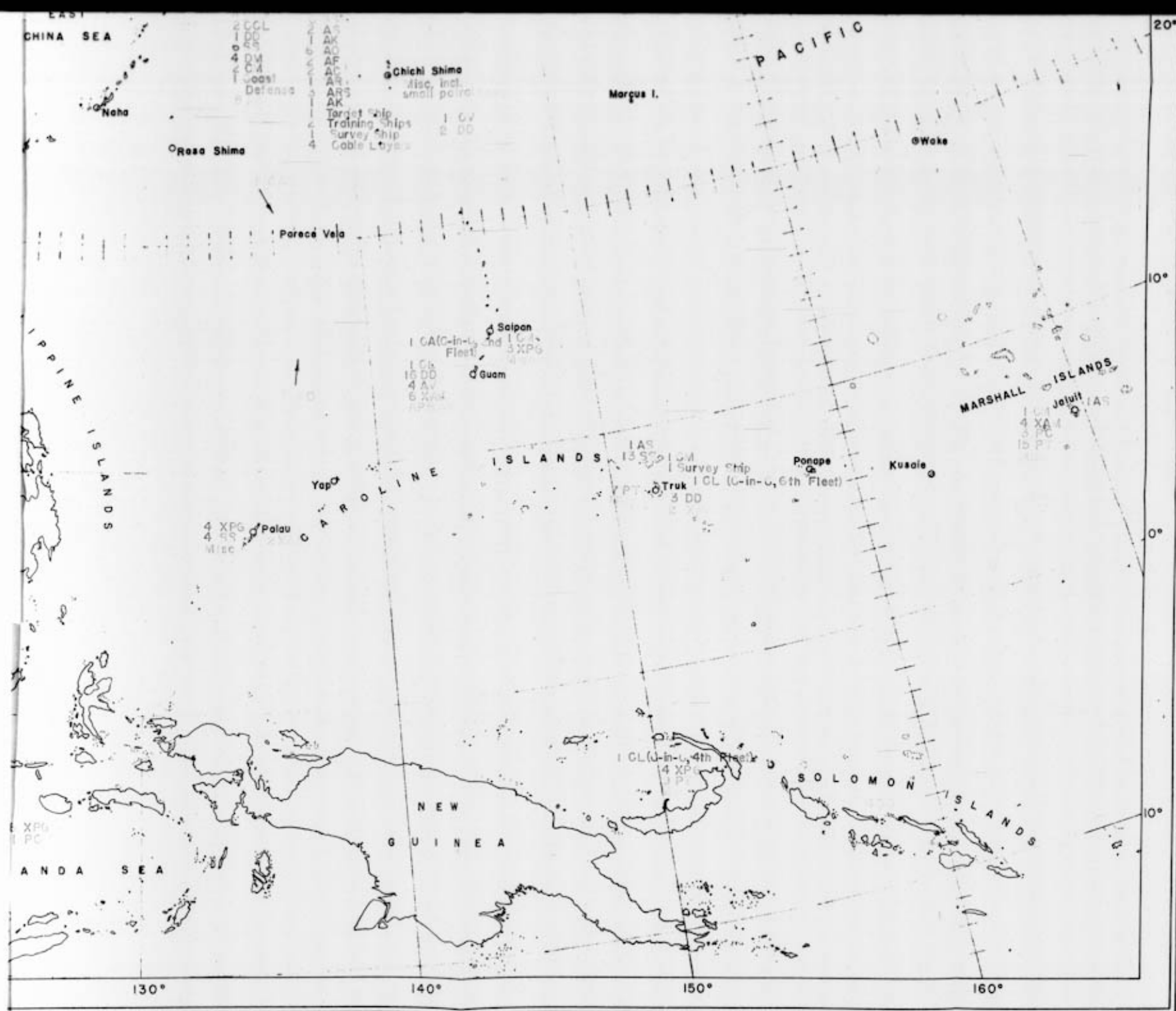


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FLEET LOCATIONS

German, Italian, French (Vichy),
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MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: German Fleet Disposition.

Ship Type	Name	Location	Last Reported Date
BB	TIRPITZ	Trondheim	May 17, 1942
BB	SCHARNHORST	Kiel ✓	May 15, 1942
BB	GNEISENAU	Gdynia	May 3, 1942
BB	SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN	Gdynia	March 3, 1942
BB	SCHLESSEN	Kiel ✓	May 8, 1942
CV	GRAF ZEPPELIN	Gdynia	March 3, 1942
CA	ADMIRAL SCHEER (1)	Trondheim	May 2, 1942
CA	LUETZOW (2)	Off the Skaw	May 16, 1942
CA	SEYDLITZ	Bremen	May 15, 1942
CA	PRINZ EUGEN (3)	Off Lister, Norway	May 17, 1942
CA	ADMIRAL HIPPER	Trondheim	May 17, 1942
CL	NUERNBERG	Kiel ✓	May 15, 1942
CL	LEIPZIG	Swinemuende	May 15, 1942
CL	KOELN	Wilhelmshaven	May 8, 1942
CL	EMDEN (4)	Swinemuende	May 15, 1942
DD's (5)			
✓ 7 Units		Norwegian waters	March 23, 1942
✓ 6 Units		German North Sea Ports	March 23, 1942
✓ 3 Units		German Baltic Ports	March 23, 1942
SS's 13 Units		Eastern Baltic; against Russia	April 21, 1942
✓ 87 Units		Baltic; Training School	April 21, 1942
✓ 78 Units		Trials and Working Up	April 21, 1942
✓ 19 Units		Norway; Bases and Patrols	April 21, 1942
✓ 40 Units		West France; Bases	April 27, 1942
✓ 48 Units		Atlantic Patrols	April 27, 1942
✓ 28 Units		Mediterranean; Bases and Patrols	April 21, 1942
258 Units Total.			

NOTES: (1) ADMIRAL SCHEER has not been located by photo-reconnaissance since May 2, 1942. Her berth at Trondheim has been obscured by clouds during recent reconnaissance flights. According to a report by the Admiralty, graded B-2, ADMIRAL SCHEER was in a small fjord near Narvik May 13, 1942. The Admiralty further reported on May 14, 1942, that a possible naval unit had been seen in Rombaks Fjord near Narvik.

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- (2) Last reported at Swinemuende March 22, 1942. LUTZOW was reported to have been off Gdynia May 8, 1942. The Admiralty reported on May 13, 1942, that LUTZOW might be expected to proceed to Tromso May 15 and 16 under cover of darkness. A large unit, believed by Admiralty to have been LUTZOW, was reported in a fjord in southern Norway in position 58:06 N and 08:10 E at 1420 May 18. LUTZOW is accompanied by 4 DD's.
- (3) Last reported at Trondheim May 1, 1942. PRINZ EUGEN departed Trondheim accompanied by four DD's May 16, 1942. Her destination was believed to be a German port.
- (4) Last reported at Gdynia March 3, 1942.
- (5) Five DD's were reported at Swinemuende May 10, 1942.

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DISPOSITION OF ITALIAN FLEET

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
BB	VITTORIO VENETO	Taranto (repairing)	March 24, 1942
BB	LITTORIO	" (repairing)	April 29, 1942
BB	CESARE	"	February 26, 1942
BB	CAVOUR Class	"	April 9, 1942 (1)
CL's	5 Units	" (1 repairing)	February 26, 1942
CVS	MIRAGLIA	"	February 27, 1942
DD's	15 Units	"	February 26, 1942
SS's	10 Units	"	April 17, 1942
BB	CAVOUR class	Messina (damaged)	April 19, 1942 (1)
CA's	2 Units (*)	"	April 28, 1942 (2)
DD's	6 Units (*)	"	April 9, 1942
SS's	2 Units (*)	"	April 9, 1942
CV	ROMA (Ex-liner) (*)	Genoa (building)	May 13, 1942 (3)
CA	1 Unit	" (repairing)	March 23, 1942 (2)
CL's	2 Units (Regolo Class) *	" (building)	April 17, 1942 (4)
CEM	1 Unit	" (harbor defense)	June 1941
DD's	2 Units	" (1 repairing)	March 15, 1942 (5)
SS's	2 Units (*)	" (repairing)	January 15, 1942
CL's	2 Units (Regolo Class) (*)	Trigoso (building)	April 17, 1942 (4)
CA	1 Unit	La Spezia (repairing)	January 11, 1942
OCL's	3 Units	" (guardships)	April 16, 1942
SS's	1 Unit	" (repairing)	April 17, 1942
CL's	4 Units (Regolo Class) (*)	Livorno (building)	April 17, 1942 (4)
CL's	0 Units (*)	Naples	April 7, 1942
DD's	12 Units (*)	" (8 repairing)	April 7, 1942
SS's	5 Units (*)	"	April 7, 1942
DD's	2 Units	Anzio-Nettuno	August 12, 1941
CL	1 Unit (Regolo Class) (*)	Palermo (building)	April 17, 1942 (4)
DD's	1 Unit (*)	"	April 7, 1942

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Disposition of Italian Fleet (cont'd)

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE	
DD's	2 Units	Trapani	February 27, 1942	
SS's	2 Units	"	February 27, 1942	
DD's	3 Units	Augusta	February 1, 1942	
SS's	2 Units	"	February 1, 1942	
SS's	4 Units	Cagliari	February 1, 1942	
BB	ROMA (*)	Trieste (building)	May 13, 1942	(6)
BB	CAVOUR	" (repairing)	March 29, 1942	
CL's	2 Units (Regolo Class) (*)	Monfalcone (building)	April 17, 1942	(4)
BB	IMPERO (*)	Brindisi (building)	April 22, 1942	(6)
SS's	5 Units (*)	"	March 18, 1942	(7)
DD's	2 Units (*)	N. Aegean & Dodecanese Is.	April 8, 1942	
SS's	5 Units (*)	"	April 8, 1942	(8)
SS's	13 Units	Bordeaux	April 29, 1942	(9)
DD's	3 Units	Tripoli	April 5, 1942	
SS's	3 Units (Ex-Yugoslav)	Teodo	October 15, 1941	
CL's	4 Units (*)	Unknown		
DD's	32 Units (*)	"		
SS's	13 Units (*)	"		

(*) Indicates change since last report.

- (1) Either DORIA or DUILIO, one of which is at Messina with a damaged stern.
- (2) CA previously reported sunk is known to be at Messina. Admiralty believes vessel sunk was either BOLZANO (Genoa) or CL, BANDE NERE.
- (3) Liner ROMA being converted to aircraft carrier or aircraft tender at Genoa. Reports indicate that she is either complete or nearing completion.
- (4) The REGOLO Class cruiser building are 3,362 tons carrying 5.3 inch guns; 12 were building, one of which has been completed, and two are expected to be completed shortly.
- (5) Destroyer repairing at Genoa is the LEONE PANCALDO sunk in Palermo harbor July 11, 1940 and subsequently raised.

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Disposition of Italian Fleet (cont'd)

- (6) Battleship ROMA (35,000 tons) is reported to have recently held gun trials. Engine's installation not complete. It is believed she will be complete this summer. Battleship IMPERO believed to be 70-80% completed.
- (7) Submarine of SETTEMBRINI Class sunk while entering Brindisi Harbor March 18, 1942.
- (8) Reports indicate these submarines may be German. One of them is now in the floating dry dock.
- (9) Number of submarines at sea unknown.

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DISPOSITION OF FRENCH (VICHY) FLEET

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
BB	DUNKERQUE (damaged)	Toulon	April 30, 1942
BB	STRASBOURG	"	April 30, 1942
CBB	PROVENCE	"	April 30, 1942
CA	4 Units	"	February 15, 1942
CL	3 Units	"	February 15, 1942
DL	19 Units (*)	"	February 15, 1942
DD	12 Units	"	February 15, 1942
SS	15 Units (*)	"	February 15, 1942
DD	1 Unit	Oran	April 30, 1942
SS	9 Units	"	April 30, 1942
DD	1 Unit	Algiers	April 27, 1942
DD	6 Units	Bizerte	January 14, 1942
SS	12 Units	"	December 8, 1941
BB	JEAN BART (incomplete)	Casablanca	May 19, 1942 (1)
CL	2 Units	"	May 17, 1942
DL	3 Units	"	April 2, 1942
DD	6 Units	"	May 9, 1942
SS	8 Units	"	May 9, 1942
BB	RICHELIEU (damaged)	Dakar	May 12, 1942 (2)
CL	2 Units	"	May 14, 1942 (3)
DL	3 Units	"	May 14, 1942 (3)
SS	6 Units	"	May 7, 1942
CV	BEARN (immobilized)	Martinique	May 13, 1942
CL	1 Unit (immobilized)	"	May 13, 1942
CL	1 Unit (immobilized)	Guadeloupe	May 13, 1942
CL	1 Unit	Saigon	February 15, 1942
DL	0 Units (*)	Unknown	February 15, 1942 (4)
DD	2 Units	"	April 9, 1942
SS	10 Units (*)	"	May 7, 1942 (5)

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Disposition of French (Vichy) Fleet (continued)

- (1) JEAN BART engaging in firing practice off Casablanca May 19, 1942.
- (2) Reported RICHELIEU will be towed out for 15" gun firing, May 17, 1942
- (3) CL's GEORGES LEYGUES and MONTCAIM and DL's FANTASQUE and MALIN outside Dakar for practice, May 12, 1942. Reported back in port May 14.
- (4) DL's CASARD, KERSAINT and TERRIBLE, formerly carried as unknown, have been reported at Toulon.
- (5) Reported May 8th that 2 SS's were at Djibouti. These could be the MONGE, formerly at Madagascar, and the PEGASE, reported in Djibouti area in October, 1941.

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Disposition of Free French (British) Fleet

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
OBB	COURBET	Portsmouth	April 20, 1942
DD	4 Units	"	April 20, 1942
SS	2 Units	"	March 23, 1942
OBB	PARIS	Plymouth	March 9, 1942
DD	1 Unit	"	April 20, 1942
SS	1 Unit	Swansea	March 23, 1942
DL	1 Unit	Humber	April 20, 1942
SS	2 Units (*)	Dundee	April 20, 1942 (1)
DD	1 Unit	Clyde	March 23, 1942
DD	0 Units (*)	Sheerness	March 23, 1942
DD	1 Unit (*)	Harwich	April 18, 1942
SS	1 Unit (*)	Lerwick	April 15, 1942
DL	1 Unit	Sydney	May 5, 1942
SS	0 Units (*)	Unknown	March 23, 1942

- (*) Indicates changes since May 12 report.
(1) Under repair - date uncertain.

Immobilized French Vessels

BB	LORRAINE	Alexandria	February 25, 1942
CA	3 Units	"	February 25, 1942
CL	1 Unit	"	February 25, 1942
DD	3 Units	"	February 25, 1942
SS	1 Unit	"	February 25, 1942

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The below listed locations of Japanese naval forces are estimates based on the best available information, including some sight contacts which are so noted. It is believed that this forms a fair general approximation.

Combined Fleet

Location

✓ BB - YAMATO - Flag of CinC, Combined Fleet Believed to remain in home waters

I.

First Fleet

Composition:

✓ Batdiv 1
NAGATO (F)
MUTSU
YAMASHIRO

✓ Batdiv 2
HYUGA
ISE
FUSO

Departure from Kure believed imminent.

6 BB

✓ Cardiv 3
RYUJO (F)
HOSHO
NITTA MARU
ZUIHO
Desdiv 17

Home waters

2 CV, 2 XCV, 3 DD

✓ Cardiv 4
KORYU (F)
KASUGA
Desdiv

Yokosuka area. Uncertain
Enroute home waters

2 CV, 4 DD

✓ Crudiv 4
ATAGO (F)
MAYA

Home waters

2 CA

✓ Crudiv 7
KUMANO (F)
MOGAMI
MIKUMA
SUZUYA

Overhaul at Kure being completed.

4 CA

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I.

First Fleet
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Composition:

Location:

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KUMA (F)
Desdiv
"
"

Home waters

1 CL, 12 DD

Desron 1
ABUKUMA (F)
Desdiv 6
" 21
" 27

Departing Sasebo preliminary
to new operations except one
Desdiv enroute north with Crudiv 5

1 CL, 12 DD

Summary

6 BB / 1 BB (Combined Fleet Flag)

4 CV

5 CA

2 CL

31 DD

2 XCV

/ 1 CA out of total of six enumerated in composition is considered sunk.

II.

Fourth Fleet

Composition:

Location:

Crudiv 18

KASHIMA, Flag of CinC, 4th Fleet }

XENRYU

TATSUTA

Truk area

* 2 CL

Crudiv 6

KAKO (F)

KINUGASA

AOBA

FURUTAKA

Proceeding to Maizuru for dock-
ing. Now in Truk area.

* 2 CA

Cardiv 5

ZUIKAKU (F)

Enroute home waters. Now north
of Truk

In Yokosuka Yard for repairs

2 CV, 4 DD

SHOKAKU

Desdiv 3

Desron 6

Desdiv 29

" 30

New Britain-Solomons area.

7 DD

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Fourth Fleet (continued)

<u>Composition:</u>		<u>Location:</u>
<u>Repair & Salvage</u>	2 XAR	Probably Palau.
<u>Miscellaneous</u>	1 CM, 1 Survey Ship	Mandates

* 1 CL from Crudiv 18, 2 CA from Crudiv 6 considered lost.

SUMMARY

2 CA
2 CL
3 CV
11 DD
1 CM
2 XAR
1 Survey Ship

III.	<u>Mandated Islands Base Defense Forces</u>	<u>Location</u>
1.	3rd Base Force 4 XPG 4 SS Misc. AP & AK	Palau
2.	4th Base Force 7 PT or PC Misc. AP & AK	Truk
3.	5th Base Force 1 CM 3 XPG AP & AK	Saipan
4.	6th Base Force 1 CM 4 XAM 3 PC 15 PT AP & AK	Jaluit
5.	7th Base Force Miscellaneous craft	Chichijima
6.	8th Base Force 4 XPG 9 PT or PC AP & AK Miscellaneous	Rabaul

Fifth Fleet

<u>Composition:</u>		<u>Location:</u>
NACHI (F)	1 CA	In N.E. home waters
TAMA	1 CL	
SHIRIYA	1 AD	

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IV.

Fifth Fleet (continued)

Composition:

Location:

Crudiv 5
MYOKO
HAGURO

Enroute north in Truk area

2 CA

Home waters

Minron 2
Mindiv 3
" 4

8 DM

Northern Detachment

Patrolling off east coast
of Honshu

Patron 1
HOKOKU MARU *
OZAN MARU

Patron 2
KOWA MARU

Patron 3
RAMON MARU

14-17 XAV & XCL

SUMMARY

3 CA
1 CL
1 AO
8 DM

14-17 XAV & XCL

* Reported to carry 2 - 6" guns and AA machine guns and 2 planes on after deck.

V.

Sixth Fleet (Submarine Fleet)

Composition:
KATORI (Flag)

Location:

1 CL Truk area

Subron 1

1 AS)
7 SS) Operating with Fifth Fleet
in N.E. home waters

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V.

Sixth Fleet (continued)

Composition:

Location:

Subron 3

1 AS
 7 SS ✓

Operating with Fifth Fleet in
 N.E. home waters

Subron 7

1 XAS
 9 SS ✓

Marshall-Wake area

Subron 8

1 AS
 8 SS

Part in Yokosuka, part
 in Saigon area

SUMMARY

1 CL
 3 AS
 1 XAS
 27 SS

4 SS out of total of 31 enumerated above are considered sunk.

VI.

Second Fleet

✓ CA - TAKAO - Flagship of CinC, 2nd Fleet

Yokosuka area

Composition:

Location:

Batdiv 3

✓ HIYEI (F)
 KIRISHIMA
 KONGO

Sasebo Navy Yard

3 BB

Cardiv 1

✓ KAGA (F)
 AKAGI
 Desdiv

Holding gunnery exercises on tar-
 get ship SETTSU in home waters

2 CV, 4 DD

Cardiv 2

✓ SORYU (F)

HIRYU

Desdiv 23

Holding gunnery exercises on tar-
 get ship SETTSU in home waters
 Departure from Sasebo imminent.

2 CV, 4 DD

Crudiv 8

✓ TONE
 CHIKUMA

Uncertain. In home waters or possibly
 went south to Mandates.

* 1 CA

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VI.

Second Fleet (continued)

Composition:

Location:

Desron 2
JINTSU (F)
Desdiv 8 }
" 15 }
" 16 }
" 18 }

Home waters. 1 Desdiv escorted.
SHOKAKU to Yokosuka

1 CL, 16 DD

Desron 4
KITAGAMI (F)
Desdiv 2
" 9
" 24

N.E.I. area

1 CL, 9 DD

Subron 2
KOMABASHI (F)
Subdiv 3)
" 5)

N.E.I. - Truk - Yokosuka
areas.

1 AS, 6 SS

Subron 4
YURA (F)
Subdiv 28
" 29
" 30

Operating from Penang,
except one unit in home waters.

1 CL, 8 SS

Subron 5
KINU (F)
Subdiv 9
" 13

Home waters

1 CL, 4 SS

Subron 6
KARASAKI (F)
Subdiv 18
" 19
" 21

Part at Sasebo, part in
Marshalls

1 AS, 8 SS

9th Base Force

Composition Unknown Kota Bharu

10th Base Force

" " Penang

* 1 CA of Crudiv 8 is considered lost.

SUMMARY

3 BB
4 CV
1 CA
4 2 CL
33 DD
2 AS
4 21 SS

4 2 CL out of total of 4 enumerated in composition are considered lost.

4 5 SS " " " " 26 " " " " " "

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VII.

Third Fleet

Composition:

Location:

ASHIGARA (F)
NATOH

1 CA
1 CL

Soerabaya, Java
In drydock, Maizuru

Desron 3
SENDAT
Desdiv 11
" 12
" 19
" 20

Believed in home waters

1 CL, 15 DD

Desron 5
ISUZU (F)
Desdiv 5
" 22
" 34

Singapore area. Uncertain.

1 CL, 11 DD

Truk area except AKIKAZE at
Maizuru

Minron 3
Mindiv 5
" 6

West coast of Luzon

8 DM

1st Base Force
NAGARA (F)

1 CL

Uncertain. Probably returned NEI-
Philippines area from Maizuru
Mindivs on west coast of
Luzon

Mindiv
Mindivs 1 & 21
Gunboat Div 1
Subchaser Divs 1, 11, 21, 31
Miscellaneous

3 CM
12 AM
6 XPG
11 PC

N.E.I. area

2nd Base Force
NAKA (F)
Mindiv 17

1 CL
3 CM

West coast of Luzon
" " " "

✓ 21st Base Force

Unknown

Tarakan

✓ 31st Base Force

Unknown

Celebes-Davao area

✓ 32nd Base Force

Davao area.

SUMMARY

1 CA
3 CL *
24 DD **
6 CM
8 DM
12 AM
6 XPG
11 PC

* 2 CL out of total of 5 enumerated in composition are considered lost.

**2 DD " " " " 26 " " " " " "

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VIII.

Southern Expeditionary Fleet

Composition:

Location:

CHOKAI (F)	1 CA	Kure
KASHII)	1 CL	China coast
SHIMUSHU)	1 CM	
Desdiv 7	4 DD	Yokosuka

SUMMARY

1 CA
1 CL
1 CM
4 DD

IX.

Combined Air Force

Comdr., Combined Air Force

Tinian, Marianas

Airon 7

✓CHITOSE
✓CHIYODA

2 AV

Is being or soon will be escorted from Japan to Saipan

Airon 11

✓NISSHIN
✓

1 AV , 1 XAV

Tinian, Marianas

Airon 21

SOYO MARU

2 XAV

Operates with Fifth Fleet in N.E. home waters

Airon 22

✓HETUGASA MARU

2 XAV

Malay area. May return to home waters to operate with Fifth Fleet

Airon 23

KAGU MARU)
OKITSU MARU)
KOBE MARU)

3 XAV

Indications of proceeding to Saipan

Airon 24

✓KAMOI
NOTORO
✓GOSHU MARU

2 AV , 1 XAV

Truk area
Uncertain, possibly Kure
Enroute Imieji, Jaluit to Saipan

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IX.

Composition:

Airon 25

✓ KAMIKAWA MARU
 ✓ FUJIKAWA MARU
 ✓ KENJO MARU
 ✓ KIYOZUMI MARU

Combined Air Force (continued)

Location:

Solomon Islands
 Truk area
 Rabaul
 4 XAV Uncertain. May be Truk area

Airon 26

1 XAV Kisarazu

Airon 35

2 XAV N.E.I. area

SUMMARY

5 AV
 16 XAV

X.

1st China Expeditionary Fleet
 and China Fleets Command Unit

Vicinity of Shanghai
 and Yangtze River

✓ IZUMO (Fleet Flag) 1 OCA
 Desdiv 26 3 DD
 Gunboat Div. 4 PG
 Patdiv 11 10 PR

2nd China Expeditionary Fleet

✓ HASHIDATE 1 PG Hongkong
 ✓ Minron 1 1 PG Flagship at Sama, Hainan
 3 AM East coast of China
 Torpdiv 1 4 TB " " " "

3rd China Expeditionary Fleet Gulf of Pechili

✓ Torpdiv 11 1 OCA
 Torpdiv 21 4 TB
 4 TB
 1 DD
 3 AM

XI.

Fleet Train

Since so many merchant vessels are now employed to augment the Fleet Train, it is impossible to give a complete list.

Name
 TSURUMI (AO)

KOKUYO MARU(AO)

Location
 Damaged - At Rabaul. Expected
 return Kure for repairs.
 Ordered fuel Cardiv 5 in Saipan
 area.

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XI.

Fleet Train (continued)

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SUMMARY

7 AO
2 AF
2 AC
2 AR
3 ARS

Home Waters

(Defense Squadrons or Unassigned)

1 BB (HARUNA - under repairs)
4 OCA
2 OCL
6 DD
13 SS
2 AS
2 CM
4 DM
1 Coast Defense Ship
8 PC
1 AK
1 Target Ship
2 Training Ships
1 Ice Breaker
1 Survey Ship
4 Cable layers

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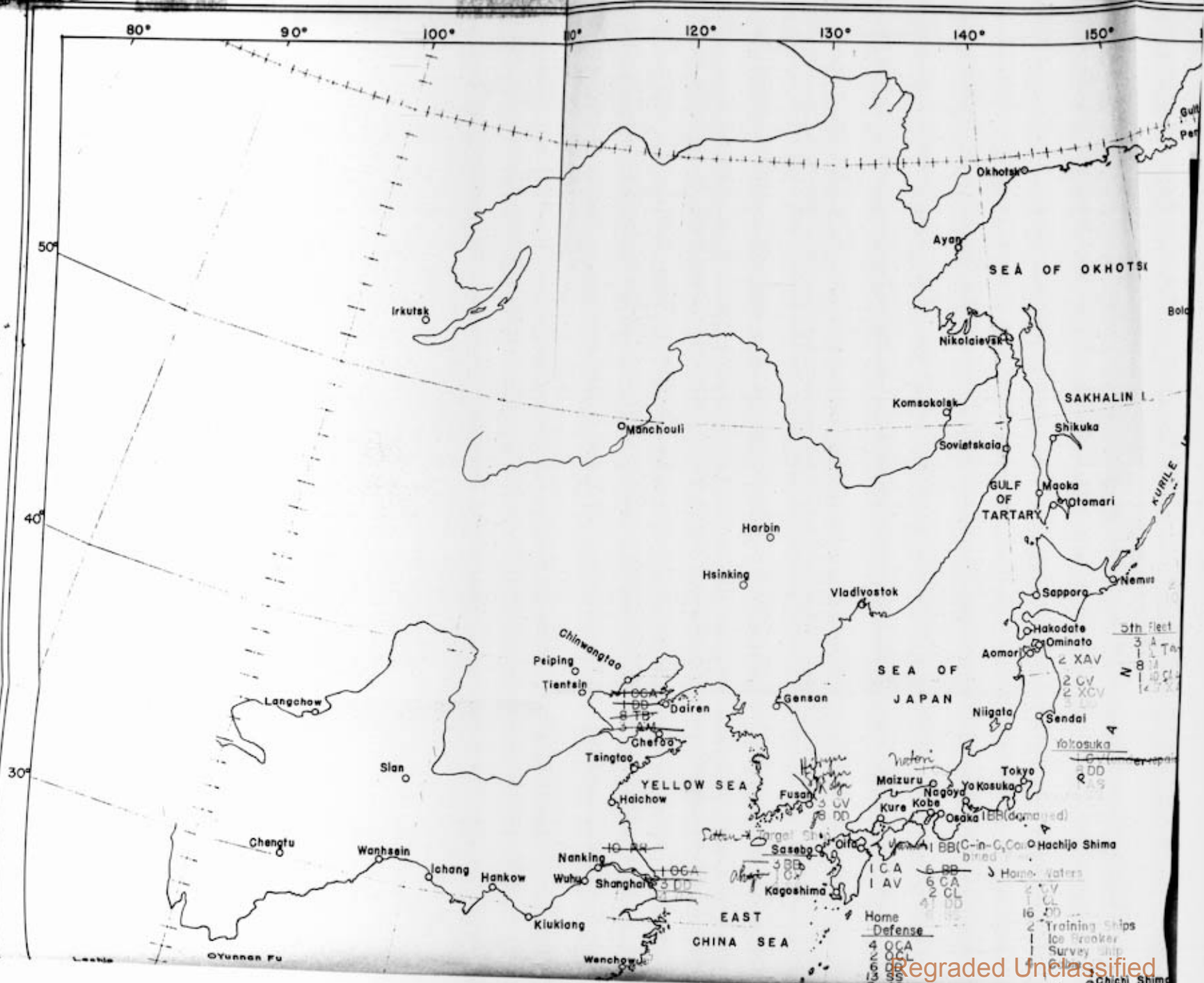
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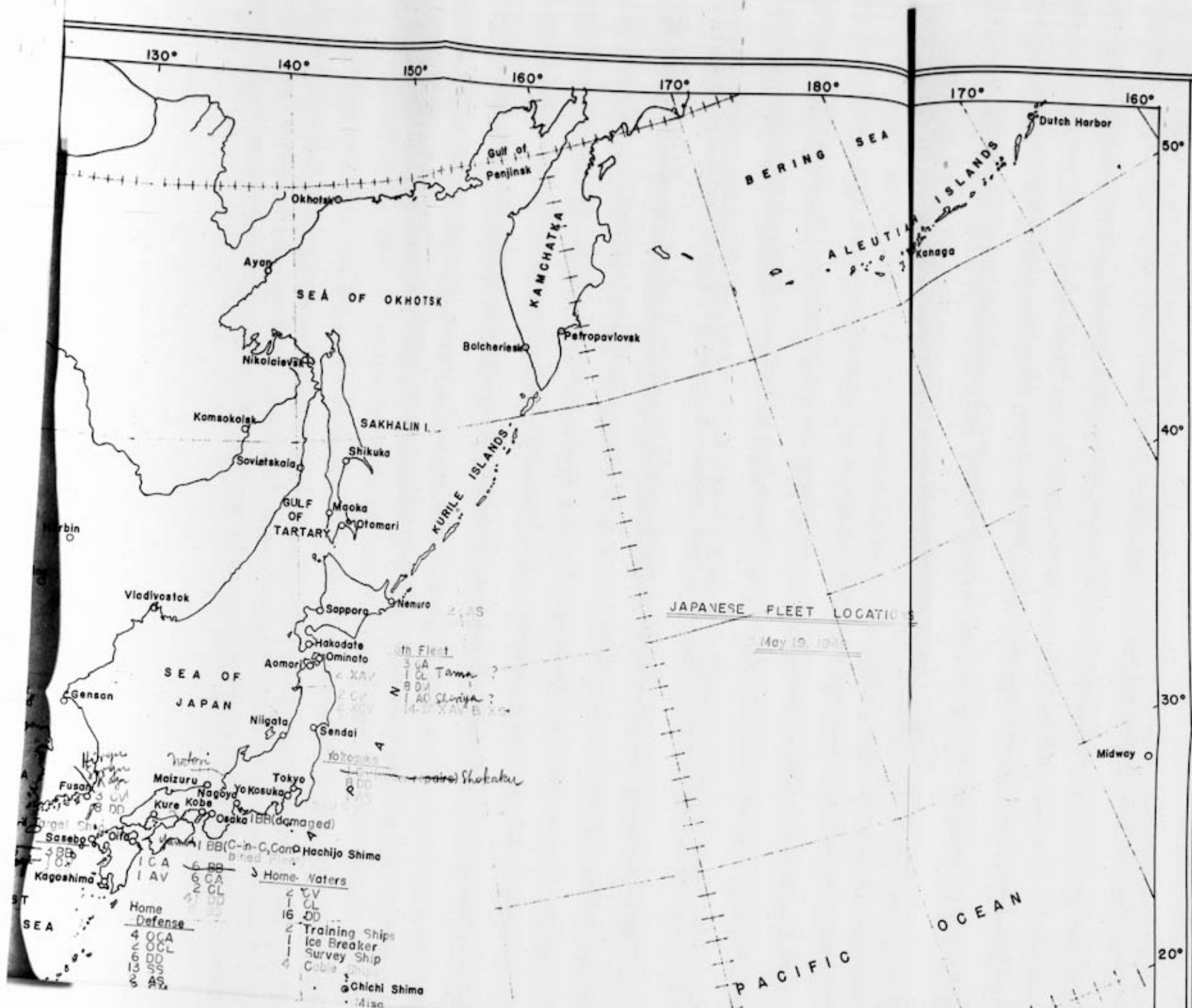
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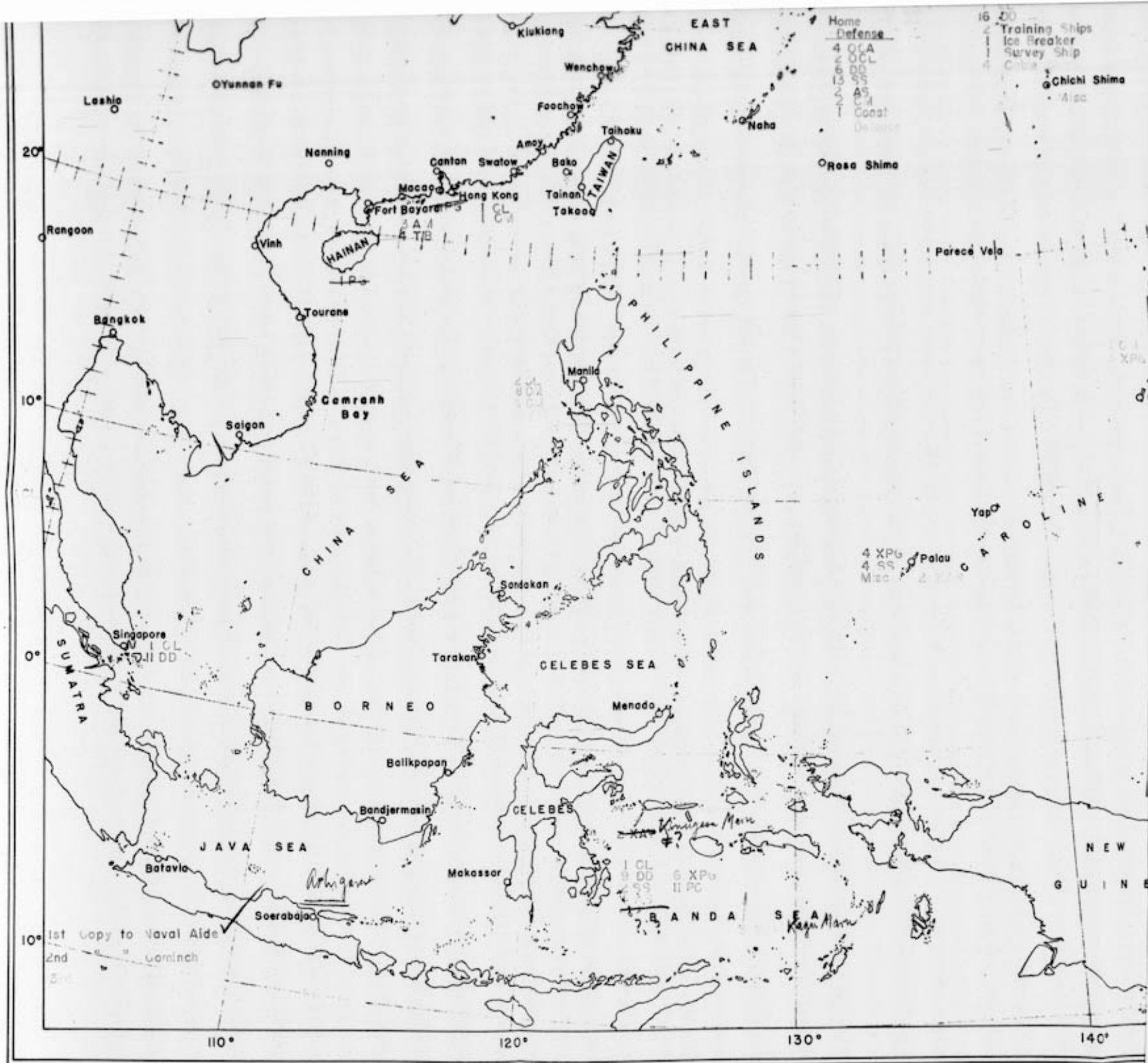
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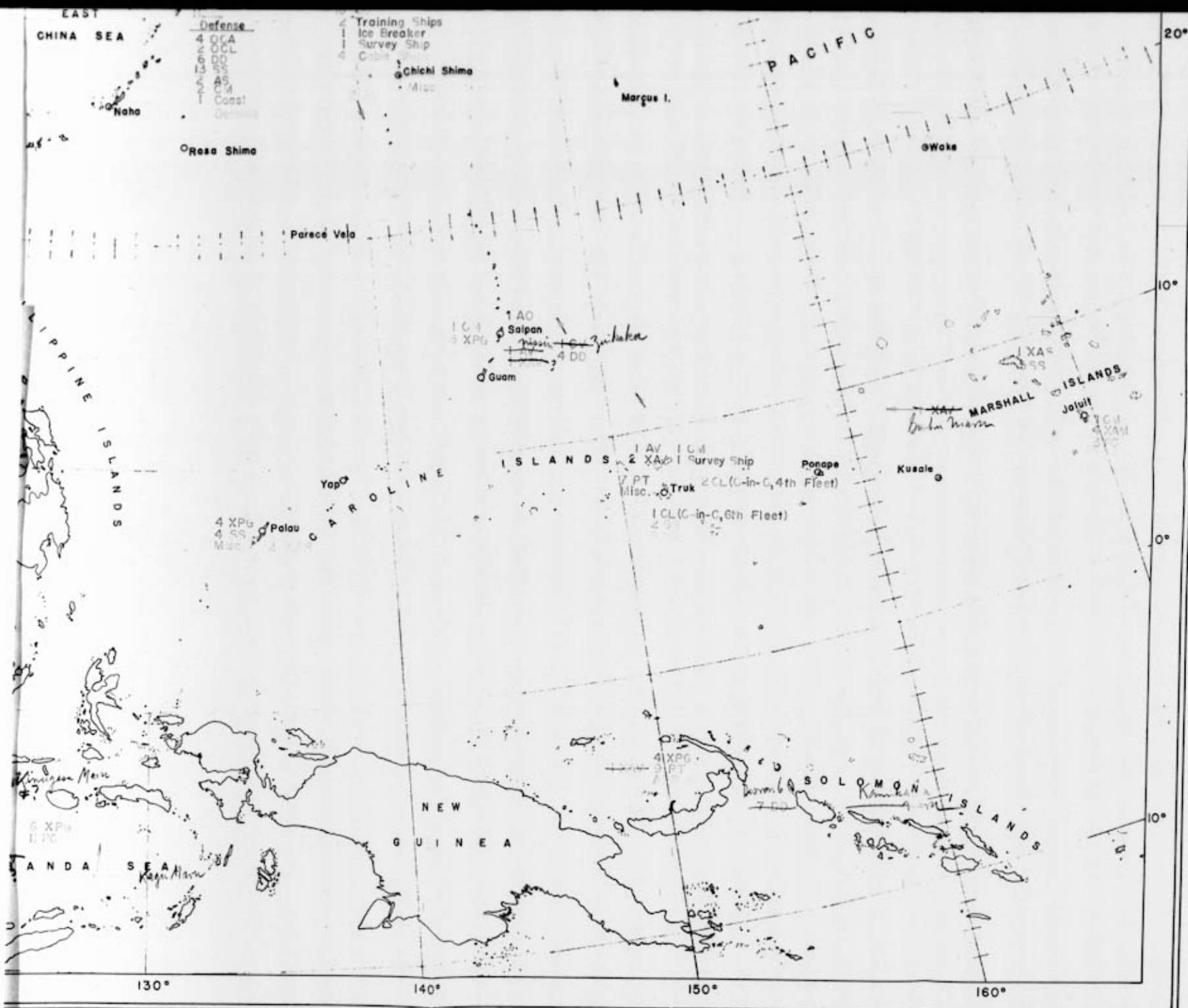
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SUBJECT: German Fleet Disposition.

Type	Ship Name	Location	Last Reported Date
BB	TIRPITZ	Trondheim	May 1, 1942
BB	SCHARNHORST	Kiel	May 8, 1942
BB	GNEISENAU	Gdynia	May 3, 1942
OB	SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN	Gdynia	March 3, 1942
OB	SCHLESSEN (1)	Kiel	May 8, 1942
CV	GRAF ZEPPELIN	Gdynia	March 3, 1942
CA	ADMIRAL SCHEER	Trondheim	May 2, 1942
CA	LUTZOW	Swinemunde	March 22, 1942
CA	SEYDLITZ	Bremen	April 26, 1942
CA	PRINZ EUGEN	Trondheim	May 1, 1942
CA	ADMIRAL HIPPER	Trondheim	May 1, 1942
CL	NUERNBERG	Kiel	May 8, 1942
CL	LEIPZIG (2)	Swinemunde	May 10, 1942
CL	KOELN	Wilhelmshaven	May 8, 1942
CL	EMDEN	Gdynia	March 3, 1942

DD's (3)
7 Units Norwegian Waters March 23, 1942
6 Units German North Sea Ports March 23, 1942
3 Units German Baltic Ports March 23, 1942

SS's 13 Units Eastern Baltic; against Russia April 21, 1942
37 Units Baltic; Training School April 21, 1942
78 Units Trials and Working Up April 21, 1942
19 Units Norway; Bases and Patrols April 21, 1942
40 Units West France; Bases April 27, 1942
48 Units Atlantic Patrols April 27, 1942
23 Units Mediterranean; Bases and Patrols April 21, 1942
258 Units Total.

NOTES: (1) SCHLESSEN previously reported unknown April 12, 1942.
(2) LEIPZIG previously reported unknown April 14, 1942.
(3) Five DD's were at Swinemunde May 10, 1942.

DD's previously reported:
5 Units Norwegian Waters March 16, 1942
8 Units German North Sea Ports March 16, 1942
3 Units German Baltic Ports March 16, 1942

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Disposition of Italian Fleet

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
BB	VITTORIO VENETO	Taranto (repairing)	March 24, 1942
BB	LITTORIO	" (repairing)	April 29, 1942
BB	CESARE	"	February 26, 1942
BB	CAVOUR Class (1)	"	April 9, 1942
CL's	5 Units	" (1 repairing)	February 26, 1942
CVS	MIRAGLIA	"	February 27, 1942
DD's	15 Units	"	February 26, 1942
SS's	10 Units	"	April 17, 1942
BB	CAVOUR Class (1)	Messina (damaged)	April 19, 1942
CA	1 Unit (2)	"	April 28, 1942
DD's	11 Units	"	February 27, 1942
SS's	6 Units	"	February 10, 1942
CA	1 Unit	Genoa (repairing)	March 23, 1942
CEM	1 Unit	" (harbor defense)	June, 1941
DD's	2 Units	" (repairing)	January 18, 1942
SS's	1 Unit	" (repairing)	January 15, 1942
CA	1 Unit	La Spezia (repairing)	January 11, 1942
CCL's	3 Units	" (guardships)	April 16, 1942
SS's	1 Unit	" (repairing)	April 17, 1942
CL's	2 Units	Naples	February 27, 1942
DD's	10 Units	" (8 repairing)	February 27, 1942
DD's	2 Units	Anzio-Nettuno	August 12, 1941
DD's	10 Units	Palermo	March 2, 1942
DD's	2 Units	Trapani	February 27, 1942
SS's	2 Units	"	February 27, 1942
DD's	3 Units	Augusta	February 1, 1942
SS's	2 Units	"	February 1, 1942
SS's	4 Units	Cagliari	February 1, 1942
BB	CAVOUR	Trieste (repairing)	March 29, 1942
SS's	6 Units	Brindisi	February 1, 1942

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Disposition of Italian Fleet (cont'd)

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
DD's	14 Units	N. Aegean & Dodecanese Is.	February 20, 1942
SS's	13 Units	" " " "	February 20, 1942
SS's	13 Units (3)	Bordeaux	April 29, 1942
DD's	3 Units	Tripoli	April 5, 1942
SS's	3 Units (ex-Yugoslav)	Teodo	October 15, 1941
CL's	2 Units	Unknown	
DD's	7 Units	Unknown	
SS's	7 Units	Unknown	

- (1) Either DORIA or DUILIO, one of which is at Messina with a damaged stern.
- (2) British reports indicate the possibility of two CA's at Messina. One of these CA's was reported sunk by H.M.S. URGE on April 1st. Admiralty now believes that vessel sunk may have been the light cruiser BANDE NERE.
- (3) On May 9th eleven Italian submarines were near the Canary Islands, one near the Cape Verdes and possibly one north of the mouth of the Amazon. This is an indication that possibly more Italian submarines are operating out of Bordeaux than have been reported.

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Disposition of French (Vichy) Fleet

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
BB	DUNKERQUE (damaged)	Toulon	March 26, 1942
BB	STRASBOURG	"	February 21, 1942
OEB	PROVENCE	"	February 21, 1942
CA	4 Units	"	February 15, 1942
CL	3 Units	"	February 15, 1942
DL	16 Units	"	February 15, 1942
DD	12 Units (*)	"	February 15, 1942
SS	11 Units	"	February 15, 1942
DD	1 Unit	Oran	April 30, 1942
SS	9 Units (*)	"	April 30, 1942 (1)
DD	1 Unit	Algiers	April 27, 1942
DD	6 Units	Bizerte	January 14, 1942
SS	12 Units	"	December 8, 1941
BB	JEAN BART (incomplete)	Casablanca	May 10, 1942 (2)
CL	2 Units	"	May 10, 1942 (3)
DL	3 Units	"	April 2, 1942
DD	6 Units (*)	"	May 9, 1942 (4)
SS	8 Units (*)	"	May 9, 1942 (5)
BB	RICHELIEU (damaged)	Dakar	May 7, 1942 (6)
CL	2 Units	"	May 7, 1942 (7)
DL	3 Units	"	May 7, 1942
SS	6 Units (*)	"	May 7, 1942
SS	0 Units (*)	Madagascar	May 5, 1942 (8)
CV	BEARN	Martinique	May 10, 1942 (9)
CL	1 Unit	"	April 22, 1942
CL	1 Unit	Guadeloupe	April 16, 1942
CL	1 Unit	Saigon	February 15, 1942
DL	3 Units	Unknown	February 6, 1942
DD	2 Units	"	April 9, 1942
SS	14 Units (*)	"	May 7, 1942

(*) Indicates changes since May 5 report.

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Disposition of French (Vichy) Fleet (continued)

- (1) ARGONAUTE, ARIANE, DANAE on complete war footing. PSYCHE and OCEADE still under repair.
- (2) Reported May 9 that 2 bow and 1 stern anchors raised; as of this date 800 tons fuel oil pumped aboard. 24 torpedoes taken aboard.
- (3) PRIMAUGUET out for firing practice on May 9.
- (4) 4 DD's sighted with PRIMAUGUET on May 9 (Note 3 above). DD's BREESTOIS and BOULONNAIS and PG's COMDT. BORY and COMDT. DELAGE (630 tons each) were training cruises on that date.
- (5) ARGO and CENTAURE at Mogador May 5-7 and at Agadir May 8-13. PALLAS and VENUS at Fedala May 4-8. Other SS's engaged in training cruises throughout week.
- (6) AA batteries in action against non-French plane over Dakar May 6.
- (7) Torpedo net placed around GEORGES LEYGUES and MONTCAIM on May 6.
- (8) 1 SS (probably BEVEZIERIS) reported sunk May 5 incident to British occupation of Diego Suarez. The fate of 1 other SS formerly carried as at Madagascar is unknown - now listed as unreported.
- (9) PanAir pilot reported observing May 2 eight 3" - 5" guns mounted on flight deck. NA, Martinique reports air inspection May 10 showed no new guns mounted.

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Disposition of Free French (British) Fleet

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
OBB	COURBET ✓	Portsmouth	March 9, 1942
DD	4 Units	"	March 23, 1942
SS	2 Units	"	March 23, 1942
OBB	PARIS ✓	Plymouth	March 9, 1942
DD	1 Unit	"	March 23, 1942
SS	1 Unit	Swansea	March 23, 1942
DL	1 Unit	Humber	March 23, 1942
SS	1 Unit	Dundee	March 23, 1942
DD	1 Unit	Glyde	March 23, 1942
DD	1 Unit	Sheerness	March 23, 1942
DL	1 Unit	Sydney	May 5, 1942
SS	2 Units	Unknown	March 23, 1942

Immobilized French Vessels

BB	LORRAINE	Alexandria	February 25, 1942
CA	3 Units	"	February 25, 1942
CL	1 Unit	"	February 25, 1942
DD	3 Units	"	February 25, 1942
SS	1 Unit	"	February 25, 1942

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SUBJECT: Japanese Fleet Locations.

The below listed locations of Japanese naval forces are estimates based on the best available information, including some sight contacts which are so noted. It is believed that this forms a fair general approximation.

Combined Fleet

Location

BB - YAMATO - Flag of CinC, Combined Fleet

Believed to remain in home waters

I.

First Fleet

Composition:

Batdiv 1
NAGATO (F)
MUTSU
YAMASHIRO

Batdiv 2
HYUGA
ISE
FUSO - *Truk*

Believed in home waters
Possibly 1 BB in Truk-Rabaul area
6 BB

Cardiv 4
KORYU (F)
KASUGA
Deadiv

2 CV, 4 DD

Yokosuka area. Uncertain
Enroute home waters

Cruidiv 4
ATAGO (F)
MAYA

Yokosuka area.
2 CA Home waters

Desron
KUMA (F)
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"
"

Home waters

1 CL, 12 DD

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First Fleet (continued)

SUMMARY

6 BB / 1 BB (Combined Fleet Flag)
2 CV
2 CA
1 CL
16 DD

II.

Fourth Fleet

Composition:

Location:

Crudiv 18 ✓

KASHIMA, Flag of CinC, 4th Fleet }
TENRYU }
TATSUTA }

Bismarck Archipelago area
* 2 CL

Crudiv 5 ✓

MYOKO
HAGURO

Bismarck Archipelago area. May
be heading east.
2 CA

Crudiv 6 ✓

KAKO (F)
KINUGASA
AOBA
FURUTAKA

Bismarck Archipelago area. May
be heading east.
* 2 CA

Cardiv 5 ✓

ZUIKAKU (F)

SHOKAKU ✓

Bismarck Archipelago area. May
be heading east.
Damaged. Returning Yokosuka for
repairs. Expected arrive May 17

Desdiv 3

2 CV, 4 DD

HOSHO ✓

1 CV Uncertain. Possibly Yokosuka
area.

Desron 6 **

Desdiv 29
" 30

Bismarck Archipelago area.
7 DD May be heading east.

Repair & Salvage

2 XAR Probably Palau.

Miscellaneous

1 CM, 1 Survey Ship Mandates

* 1 CL from Crudiv 18, 2 CA from Crudiv 6 considered lost.

**YUBARI (CL), flag of Desron 6, considered sunk.

Note: RYUKAKU (CV) and 2 DD plane guards, previously included in this Fleet,
are considered to have been sunk.

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II.

Fourth Fleet (Continued)

SUMMARY

4 CA
2 CL
3 CV
11 DD
1 CM
2 XAR
1 Survey Ship

III.

Mariana Islands Base Defense Forces

Location

1.	3rd Base Force	4 XPG 4 SS Misc. AP & AK	}		
2.	4th Base Force	7 PT or PC Misc. AP & AK		}	Large number of units of 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th Base Forces believed in Rabaul area.
3.	5th Base Force	1 CM 3 XPG AP & AK			
4.	6th Base Force	1 CM 4 XAM 3 PC 15 PT AP & AK			
5.	7th Base Force	Miscellaneous craft	Chichijima		
6.	8th Base Force	4 XPG * 9 PT or PC AP & AK Miscellaneous		Rabaul	

* 4 XPG of Gunboat Div 8 considered sunk.

IV.

Fifth Fleet

Composition: ✓

Location:

NACHI (F)
TAMA
SHIRIYA

1 CA
1 CL
1 AO

Operating off east coast of Honshu.

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IV.

Fifth Fleet (Continued)

Composition:

Location:

Minron 2

Home waters

Mindiv 3

8 DM

" 4

Northern Detachment

Patrolling off east coast
of Honshu

Patron 1

HOKOKU MARU *

OZAN MARU

Patron 2

KOWA MARU

Patron 3

RAMON MARU

14-17 XAV & XCL

SUMMARY

1 CA

1 CL

1 AO

8 DM

14-17 XAV & XCL

* Reported to carry 2 - 6" guns and AA machine guns and 2 planes on after deck.

V.

Sixth Fleet (Submarine Fleet)

Composition:

Location:

KATORI (Flag)

1 CL

Irak area

Subron 1

1 AS

Operating from

7 SS

Yokosuka

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Sixth Fleet (Continued)

Composition:

Subron 3

1 AS *
7 SS /

Location:

Home waters -
Marshall Islands areas.

Subron 7

1 XAS
9 SS /

Home waters-Marshalls -
New Britain areas

Subron 8

1 AS)
8 SS)

Marshall Islands

* Three additional XAS were reported at Kure.

SUMMARY

1 CL
3 AS
1 XAS
27 SS

/ 4 SS out of total of 31 enumerated above are considered sunk.

VI.

Second Fleet

CA - TAKAO - Flagship of CinC, 2nd Fleet

Yokosuka area.

Composition:

Batdiv 3

KIRISHIMA ✓
KONGO ✓
HIYET ✓

3 BB

Location:

Sasebo Navy Yard.

Cardiv 1

KAGA (P)
AKAGI
Desdiv

2 CV, 4 DD

Holding gunnery exercises
on target ship SETTSU in
Kyushu waters.

Cardiv 2

SORYU (F)
HIRYU

Desdiv 23

2 CV, 4 DD

Holding gunnery exercises
on target ship SETTSU in
Kyushu waters

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Second Fleet (Continued)

Composition:

Location

Cardiv 3

RYUJO (F)

MITA MARU

Deadiv 17

1 CV, 1 XCV, 3 DD

Kure Navy Yard
Yokosuka

Crudiv 7

KUMANO (F)

MOGAMI

MIKUMA

SUZUYA

Kure Navy Yard. Overhaul may have
been completed.

4 CA

Crudiv 8

TONE

CHIKUMA

* 1 CA

Matsuru

Desron 1

ABUKUMA (F)

Deadiv 6

" 21

" 27

Home waters, except one Deadiv
may be enroute Truk.

1 CL, 12 DD

Desron 2

JINTSU (F)

Deadiv 8

" 15

" 16

" 18

Yokosuka-N.E.I. areas.

1 CL, 16 DD

Desron 4

KITAGAMI (F)

Deadiv 2

" 9

" 24

Philippine waters

1 CL, 12 DD

Subron 2

KOMABASHI (F)

Subdiv 3

" 5

N.E.I. Truk -New Britain areas

1 AS, 6 SS

Subron 4

YURA (F)

TAKASAKI

Subdiv 28

" 29

" 30

Operating from Penang,
except one unit in home waters.

1 CL, 1 AS, 8 SS

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Second Fleet (continued)

Composition:

Location:

Subron 5
KINU (F)
Subdiv 9
" 13

Home waters

1 CL, 4 SS

Subron 6
KARASAKI (F)
Subdiv 18
" 19
" 21

One division in Truk area;
remainder in Yokosuka area

1 AS, 8 SS

9th Base Force

Composition unknown

Kota Bharu

10th Base Force

" "

Penang

* 1 CA of Crudiv 8 is considered lost.

SUMMARY

3 BB
5 CV
4 CA
3 CL
48 DD
3 AS
21 SS
1 XCV

1 CA out of total of 5 enumerated in composition is considered lost.
2 CL " " " " 5 " " " " are " " "
5 SS " " " " 26 " " " " " " "
3 DD " " " " 51 " " " " " " "

VII.

Third Fleet

Composition:

Location:

ASHIGARA (F)
NATOKI

1 CA
1 CL

Soerabaya, Java
In drydock, Maizuru

Desron 3
SENDAI
Desdiv 11
" 12
" 19
" 20

Part at Sasebo, part be-
lieved in N.E.I. area.

1 CL, 15 DD

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VI.

Composition:

Desron 5
ISUZU (F) }
Desdiv 5 }
" 22 }
" 34 }

Minron 3
Mindiv 5
" 6

1st Base Force
NAGARA (F) }
Mindiv }
Mindivs 1 & 21 }
Gunboat Div 1
Subchaser Divs. 1, 11, 21, 31
Miscellaneous

2nd Base Force
NAKA (F)
Mindiv 17

21st Base Force

31st Base Force

32nd Base Force

Third Fleet

Location:

1 CL, 11 DD	Singapore area Truk area except ANIKAZE at Maizuru
8 DM	West coast of Luzon
1 CL 3 CM 11 AM 6 XPG 11 PC	Maizuru Mindivs on west coast of Luzon N.E.I. area
1 CL 3 CM	West coast of Luzon " " " "
Unknown	Tarakan
Unknown	Celebes-Davao area
	Davao area

SUMMARY

1 CA
3 CL*
24 DD**
6 CM
8 DM
11 AM
6 XPG
11 PC

* 2 CL out of total of 5 enumerated in composition are considered lost.
**2 DD " " " " 26 " " " " " "

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VIII.

Southern Expeditionary Fleet

Composition:

CHOKAI (P) ✓
KASHII }
SHIMUSU } ✓
Desdiv 7

Location:

1 CA Kure
1 CL China coast
1 CM
4 DD Yokosuka

SUMMARY

1 CA
1 CL
1 CM
4 DD

IX.

Combined Air Force

Comdr., Combined Force

Tinian, Marianas

Airon 7
CHITOSE
CHIYODA

One in Bismarck Archipelago
Other in home waters

2 AV

Airon 10
SOUYU MARU

Unknown. Last reported Takao
4/17

2 XAV

Airon 11
NISSHIN

Portion in Penang
Another in N.E.I. area

1 AV
1 XAV

Airon 22
KINUGASA MARU

Malay area

3 XAV

Airon 23
KAGU MARU
OKITSU MARU }
KOBE MARU }

Based Kendari-Koepang
Home waters
Enroute Rabaul

3 XAV

Airon 24
KAMOI
NOTORO
GOSHU MARU

Tarao, Marshall Island
Uncertain, possibly Kure
Malcelap, Marshalls

2 AV, 1 XAV

Airon 25
KAMIKAWA MARU
FUJIKAWA MARU
KENJO MARU
KIYOZUMI MARU

Rabaul area

4 XAV

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Composition
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Combined Air Force (continued)

Location:

2 XAV

N.E.I. area

SUMMARY

5 AV

16 XAV

X.

1st China Expeditionary Fleet
and China Fleets Command Unit

Vicinity of Shanghai
and Yangtze River

IZUMO (Fleet Flag) 1 OCA
Desdiv 26 3 DD
Gunboat Div. 4 PG
Patdiv 11 10 PR

2nd China Expeditionary Fleet

HASHIDATE 1 PG Hongkong
Minron 1 1 PG Flagship at Sams, Hainan
3 AM East coast of China
Torpddiv 1 4 TB " " " "

3rd China Expeditionary Fleet

Gulf of Pechili

Torpddiv 11 1 OCA
Torpddiv 21 4 TB
4 TB
1 DD
3 AM

XI.

Fleet Train

Since so many merchant vessels are now employed to augment the Fleet Train, it is impossible to give a complete list.

SUMMARY

7 AO
2 AF
2 AC
2 AR
3 ARS

Home Waters

(Defense Squadrons or Unassigned)

1 BB (HARUNA - under repairs)
4 OCA
2 OCL
5 DD
9 SS
2 AS
4 DM
1 Target Ship
2 Training Ships
1 Ice Breaker
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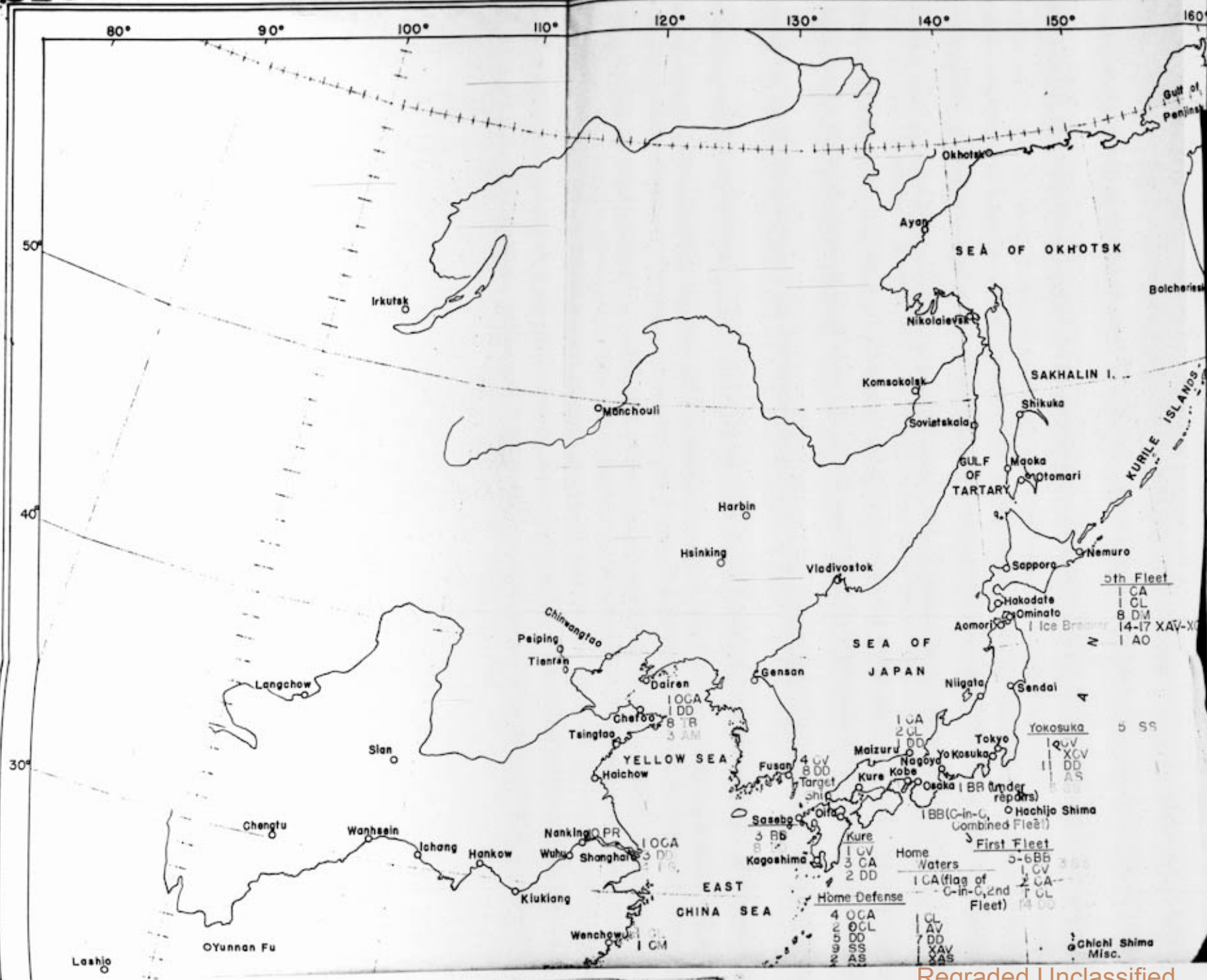
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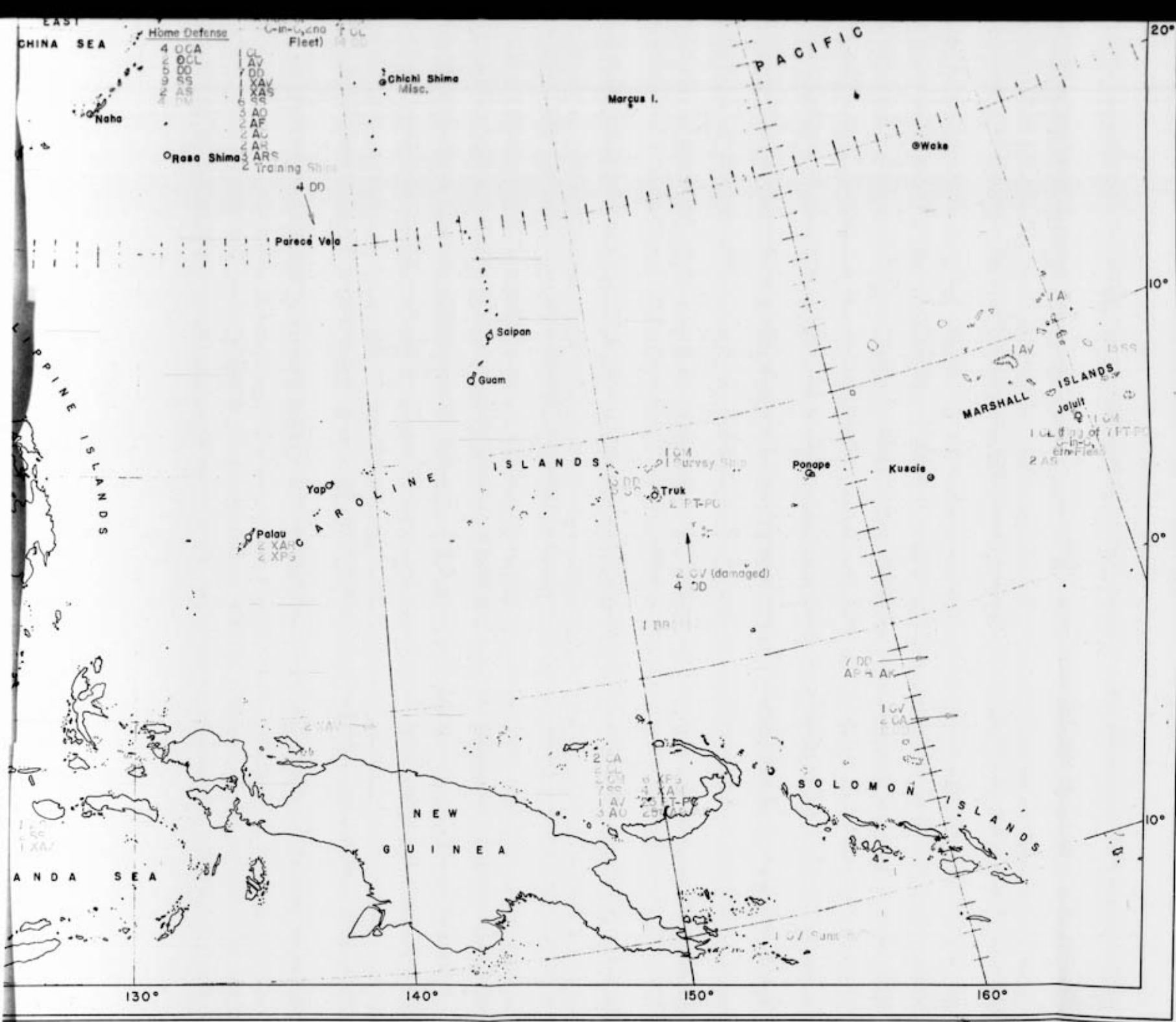


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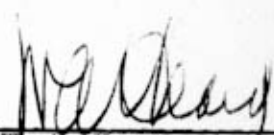
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MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: German Fleet Disposition.

Type	Ship Name	Location	Last Reported Date
✓ BB	TIRPITZ	Trondheim	April 27, 1942
✓ BB	SCHARNHORST	Kiel	April 25, 1942
✓ BB	GNEISENAU (1)	Unknown	April 12, 1942
✓ OBB	SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN	Gdynia	March 3, 1942
✓ OBB	SCHLESIEEN (1)	Unknown	April 12, 1942
✓ CV	GRAF ZEPPELIN	Gdynia	March 3, 1942
✓ CA	ADMIRAL SCHEER	Trondheim	April 27, 1942
✓ CA	LUETZOW	Swinemuende	March 22, 1942
✓ CA	SEYDLITZ	Bremen	April 25, 1942
✓ CA	PRINZ EUGEN	Trondheim	April 27, 1942
✓ CA	ADMIRAL HIPPER	Trondheim	April 27, 1942
✓ CL	NUERNBERG	Kiel	April 25, 1942
✓ CL	LEIPZIG (2)	Unknown	April 14, 1942
✓ CL	KOELN	Wilhelmshaven	April 25, 1942
✓ CL	EMDEN	Gdynia	March 3, 1942
✓ DD's	5 Units	Norwegian Waters	March 2, 1942
✓	6 Units at least	Baltic	March 2, 1942
✓	5 Units	North Sea German Ports	March 2, 1942
SS's	13 Units	Eastern Baltic; against Russia	April 21, 1942
	37 Units	Baltic; Training School	April 21, 1942
	78 Units	Trials and Working Up	April 21, 1942
	19 Units	Norway; Bases and Patrols	April 21, 1942
	40 Units	West France; Bases	April 27, 1942
	48 Units	Atlantic Patrols	April 27, 1942
	23 Units	Mediterranean; Bases and Patrols	April 21, 1942
	258 Units Total.		

NOTES: (1) GNEISENAU and SCHLESIEEN were last seen at Kiel, March 29, 1942.
(2) LEIPZIG was last seen at Swinemuende, March 22, 1942.

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DISPOSITION OF ITALIAN FLEET

Type	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
BB	VITTORIO VENETO	Taranto (repairing)	March 24, 1942
BB	LITTORIO	" (")	April 4, 1942
BB	CEASARE	"	February 26, 1942
BB	CAVOUR Class (1)	"	April 9, 1942
CL's	5 Units	" (1 repairing)	February 26, 1942
CVS	MIRAGLIA	"	February 27, 1942
DD's	15 Units	"	February 26, 1942
SS's	10 Units (2)	"	April 17, 1942
BB	CAVOUR Class (1)	Messina	April 9, 1942
CA	1 Unit	"	April 9, 1942
DD's	11 Units	"	February 27, 1942
SS's	6 Units	"	February 10, 1942
CA	1 Unit	Genoa (repairing)	March 12, 1942
CEM	1 Unit	" (harbor defense)	June, 1941
DD's	2 Units	" (repairing)	January 18, 1942
SS	1 Unit	" (")	January 15, 1942
COL's	3 Units	La Spezia (Guardships)	April 6, 1942
CA	1 Unit	La Spezia (repairing)	January 11, 1942
SS	1 Unit (2)	" " (")	April 17, 1942
CL's	2 Units	Naples	February 27, 1942
DD's	10 Units	" (8 repairing)	February 27, 1942
SS's	0 Units (2)	"	April 17, 1942
DD's	2 Units	Anzio-Nettuno	August 12, 1941
DD's	10 Units	Palermo	March 2, 1942
DD's	2 Units	Trapani	February 27, 1942
SS's	2 Units	"	February 27, 1942
DD's	3 Units	Augusta	February 1, 1942
SS	2 Units	"	February 1, 1942
SS's	4 Units	Cagliari	February 1, 1942
BB	CAVOUR	Trieste (repairing)	January, 1942
SS's	6 Units	Brindisi	February 1, 1942

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TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
✓ OCL's	0 Units	Pola (Navy Yd.) (Depot Ship)	April 6, 1942
✓ OCL's	0 Units	Ancona	April 6, 1942
✓ DD's	14 Units	N. Aegean & Dodecanese Is.	February 20, 1942
✓ SS's	13 Units	" " " "	February 20, 1942
✓ SS's	13 Units (*)	Bordeaux	February 20, 1942
✓ DD's	3 Units	Tripoli	April 5, 1942
OCL's	0 Units (Ex-Yugoslav)	Teodo	October 15, 1941
SS's	3 Units " " "	"	October 15, 1941
CL's	2 Units	Unknown	
DD's	7 Units	Unknown	
SS's	6 Units (*)	Unknown	

(*) Indicates change since last report.

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TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
EB	DUNKERQUE (damaged)	Toulon	March 26, 1942
BB	STRASBOURG	"	February 21, 1942
OB	PROVENCE	"	February 21, 1942
CA	4 Units	"	February 15, 1942
CL	3 Units	"	February 15, 1942
DL	16 Units	"	February 15, 1942
DD	13 Units	"	February 15, 1942
SS	11 Units	"	February 15, 1942
DD	3 Units	Oran	April 3, 1942
SS	3 Units	"	April 15, 1942
DD	6 Units	Bizerte	January 14, 1942
SS	12 Units	"	December 8, 1941
BB	JEAN BART (incomplete)	Casablanca	April 20, 1942
CL	2 Units	"	April 19, 1942
DL	3 Units	"	April 2, 1942
DD	4 Units	"	March 28, 1942
SS	10 Units	"	April 17, 1942
BB	RICHELIEU (damaged)	Dakar	April 16, 1942
CL	2 Units	"	April 17, 1942
DL	3 Units	"	April 17, 1942
SS	8 Units	"	April 21, 1942 (1)
SS	2 Units (*)	Madagascar	March 17, 1942 (1)
CV	BEARN	Martinique	April 7, 1942
CL	1 Unit	"	April 22, 1942
CL	1 Unit	Guadeloupe	April 16, 1942
CL	1 Unit	Saigon	February 15, 1942
DL	3 Units	Unknown	February 6, 1942
DD	2 Units	"	April 9, 1942
SS	15 Units (*)	"	April 21, 1942 (1)

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DISPOSITION OF FREE FRENCH (BRITISH) FLEET

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
✓ OBB	COURBET	Portsmouth	March 9, 1942
DD	4 Units	"	February 23, 1942
SS	2 Units	"	March 23, 1942
X OBB	PARIS	Plymouth	March 9, 1942
DD	1 Unit	"	February 23, 1942
SS	1 Unit	Swansea	March 23, 1942
DL	1 Unit	Humber	March 23, 1942
SS	1 Unit	Dundee	March 23, 1942
SS	0 Units (*)	Lerwick	March 19, 1942
DD	1 Unit	Clyde	March 23, 1942
DD	1 Unit (*)	Sheerness	March 23, 1942 (1)
SS	2 Units (*)	Unknown	March 23, 1942 (2)
DL	1 Unit	Sydney	April 20, 1942

(*) Denotes changes since April 21 report.

(1) MELPOMENE will be ready for service March 25.

(2) MINERVE departed Lerwick March 19 and RUBIS reported at sea March 23.

Immobilized French Vessels

✓ BB	LORRAINE	Alexandria	February 25, 1942
CA	3 Units	"	February 25, 1942
CL	1 Unit	"	February 25, 1942
DD	3 Units	"	February 25, 1942
SS	1 Unit	"	February 25, 1942

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MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Japanese Fleet Locations.

The below listed locations of Japanese naval forces are estimates based on the best available information, including some sight contacts which are so noted. It is believed that this forms a fair general approximation.

Combined Fleet

Location

BB - YAMATO - Flag of CinC, Combined Fleet

Reported at Kure about 2 weeks ago.
Believed to remain in home waters.

I.

First Fleet

Composition:

Batdiv 1
NAGATO (F)
MUTSU
YAMASHIRO

Batdiv 2
HYUGA
ISE

Believed in home waters

5 BB

Cardiv 4
KORYU (F)
KASUGA
Desdiv

Yokosuka area
Enroute ~~Marshall~~ Rabaul area

2 CV, 4 DD

Cardiv 5
ZUIKAKU (F)
SHOKAKU
Desdiv 3

South of Truk

2 CV, 4 DD

Crudiv 4
ATAGO (F)
MAYA

Enroute Southern Mandates
Home waters

2 CA

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I.

First Fleet (Continued)

Composition:

Location

Desron
KUMA (F)
Desdiv
"
"

Home waters

1 CL, 12 DD

SUMMARY

5 BB / 1 BB (Combined Fleet Flag)
4 CV
1 CL
2 CA
20 DD

II.

Fourth Fleet

Cruidiv 18

In Truk area

KASHIMA, Flag of CinC 4th Fleet
TENRYU)
TATSUTA)

*2 CL

New Britain area

Cruidiv 6

In New Britain area

KAKO (F)
KINUGASA
AOBA
FURUTAKA

*3 CA

RYUKAKU

1 CV, 2 DD

Enroute Truk area

HOSHO

1 CV

Uncertain. Possibly
Yokosuka area.

Desron 6

New Britain

CL - YUBARI
Desdiv 29
" 30

1 CL, 7 DD

Repair & Salvage

2 XAR

Probably Palau.

Miscellaneous

1 CM, 1 Survey ship

Mandates

* 1 CL from Cruidiv 18, 1 CA from Cruidiv 6 considered lost.

SUMMARY

3 CA
3 CL
2 CV
9 DD
1 CM
2 XAR
1 Survey Ship

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III.	Mandated Islands Base Defense Forces	Location:
1.	3rd Base Force	4 XPG 4 SS AP & AK* Palau Home waters Palau
2.	4th Base Force	7 PT AP & AK* Truk
3.	5th Base Force	2 CM AP & AK* Saipan
4.	6th Base Force	1 CM 4 XAM 3 PC 15 PT Jaluit, except one detachment of unknown composition at Wake.
	* Total of	AP & AK
5.	7th Base Force	Miscellaneous Chichijima craft
6.	8th Base Force	8 XPG 9 PT AP & AK Miscellaneous Rabaul. Some XPG are in Truk waters.

IV.

Sixth Fleet (Submarine Fleet)

Composition		Location
KATORI (Flag)	1 CL	Truk area
Subron 1	1 AS 7 SS ✓	Operating from Yokosuka
Subron 3	1 AS * 7 SS ✓	Operating off N.E. Honshu in conjunction with 5th Fleet.
Subron 7	1 XAS 9 SS ✓	Divided between home waters, Truk area and Rabaul.
Subron 8	1 AS 8 SS	Truk area.

* Three additional XAS are reported at Kure.

SUMMARY

1 CL
3 AS
1 XAS
27 SS

✓ 4 SS out of total of 31 enumerated above are considered sunk.

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V.

Fifth Fleet

Composition:

NACHI (F)
 TAMA
 SHIRIYA

1 CA
 1 CL
 1 AO

Location:
 Operating off east coast of
 Honshu.

Minron 2
 Mindiv 3
 " 4

Home waters

8 DM

Northern Detachment

Patron 1
 MIZUHO

Patrolling off east coast of
 Honshu

Patron 2
 KOOWA MARU

Patron 3
 RAMON MARU

1 AV, 14-17 XAV & XCL

SUMMARY

1 CA
 1 CL
 1 AO
 8 DM
 1 AV

14-17 XAV & XCL

VI.

Second Fleet

CA - TAKAO - Flagship of CinC, 2nd Fleet

Enroute Truk area

Composition:

Batdiv 3
 KIRISHIMA
 KONGO
 FUSO

Location:

Sasebo Navy Yard

3 BB

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VI.

Second Fleet (Continued)

Compositions:

Location:

Cardiv 1

AKAGI (F)

KAGA

Desdiv

2 CV, 4 DD

Yokosuka Navy Yard
Under repairs, Sasebo

Cardiv 2

SORYU (F)

HIRYU

Desdiv 23

2 CV, 4 DD

Sasebo Navy Yard
" " "

Cardiv 3

RYUJO (F)

NITTA MARU

Desdiv 17

1 CV, 1 XCV, 3 DD

Kure Navy Yard
Yokosuka

Crudiv 5

MYOKO

HAGURO

2 CA

South of Truk

Crudiv 7

KUMANO (F)

MOGAMI

MIKUMA

SUZUYA

4 CA

Kure Navy Yard

Crudiv 8

STONE

CHIKUMA

* 1 CA

Maizuru

Desron 1

ABUKUMA (F)

Desdiv 6

" 21

" 27

1 CL, 12 DD

Home waters

Desron 2

JINTSU (F)

Desdiv 8

" 15

" 16

" 18

1 CL, 16 DD

Kure
Divided between home yard
and N.E.I. area.

Desron 4

KITAGAMI (F)

Desdiv 2

" 9

" 24

1 CL, 12 DD

Philippine waters
" "
N.E.I. waters
" "

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Second Fleet (Continued)

Location

1 AS, 6 SS One division operating from base at Penang, the other enroute or in Truk area.

Operating from Penang, except
one unit in home waters.

1 CL, 1 AS, 8 SS

Saigon area

Arrived Kure about 4/4

One division in Truk area;
remainder in Yokosuka area.

1 CL, 1 AS, 8 SS

Composition Unknown Kota Bharu

" " Penang

* 1 CA of Crudiv 8 is considered lost.

3	BB
5	CV
7	CA
4	CL
49	DD
3	AS
21	SS
1	XCV

1	CA	out of total of 7	enumerated in composition is considered lost.
2	CL	" " " " 6	" " " " are " "
5	SS	" " " " 26	" " " " " " "
2	DD	" " " " 51	" " " " " " "

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VII.

Third Fleet

Composition:

ASHIGARA (Flag)
HIYET

1 CA
1 BB

Location:

Tarakan, E. Borneo
Doubtful. Possibly enroute
or in Truk-Rabaul area.

Desron 3

SENDAI

Desdiv 11
" 12
" 19
" 20

1 CL, 15 DD

Part at Sasebo, part be-
lieved in N.E.I. area

Desron 5

NATORI (F)

Desdiv 5)
" 22)
" 34)

1 CL, 11 DD

Celebes
Singapore area
" "
Enroute Truk area

Minron 3

Mindiv 5
" 6

8 DM

West coast of Luzon

1st Base Force

NAGARA (F)

Mindiv)

Mindivs 1 & 21)

Gunboat Div 1

Subchaser Divs. 1, 11, 21, 31

Miscellaneous

1 CL
3 CM
11 AM
6 XPG }
12 PC }

Maizuru
Mindivs on west coast of
Luzon
N.E.I. area

2nd Base Force

NAKA (F)

Mindiv 17

21st Base Force

1 CL
3 CM
Unknown

West coast of Luzon
" " " "
Tarakan

31st Base Force

Unknown

Celebes-Davao area

32nd Base Force

Davao area

SUMMARY

1 BB
1 CA
2 CL *
24 DD **
6 CM
8 DM
11 AM
6 XPG
11 PC ***

* 2 CL out of total of 4 enumerated in composition are considered lost.

**2 DD " " " " 26 " " " " " "

***1 PC " " " " 12 " " " " 1s " "

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VIII.

Southern Expeditionary Fleet

Composition:

Location:

CHOKAI (F)
KASHII }
SHIMUSHU }
Desdiv 7

1 CA
1 CL
1 CM
4 DD

Kure
Believed convoying army
transports up China coast.
Expect arrive Dairen 4/30
Yokosuka

SUMMARY

1 CA
1 CL
1 CM
4 DD

IX.

Combined Air Force

Comdr., Combined Air Force

Tinian, Marianas

Airon 7
CHITOSE
CHIYODA

2 AV

Subic Bay
Home waters - uncertain

Airon 10
SOUYOU MARU

Arrived Takao 4/17

3 XAV

Airon 11
NISSHIN

1 AV, 2 XAV

Portion in Penang, another
in N.E.I. area

Airon 22
KINUGASA MARU

Malay area

3 XAV

Airon 23
KAGU MARU

Units enroute Sasebo

3 XAV

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IX.

Combined Air Force (continued)

Composition:

Airon 24

KAMOI
NOTORO
GOSHU MARU

2 AV, 1 XAV

Tarao, Marshall Island
Singapore
Malaelap, Marshalls

Airon 25

KAMIKAWA MARU }
FUJIKAWA MARU }
KENJO MARU }
KIYOZUMI MARU }

4 XAV

Enroute Rabaul.

Rabaul

Note: Airon 6 has been dropped, its composition plus Kiyozumi Maru, transferred to Airon 25.

SUMMARY

5 AV
16 XAV

X.

1st China Expeditionary Fleet
and China Fleets Command Unit

Vicinity of Shanghai
and Yangtse River

IZUMO (Fleet Flag) 1 OCA
Desdiv 26 3 DD
Gunboat Div 4 PG
Patdiv 11 10 PR

2nd China Expeditionary Fleet

HASHIDATE 1 PG Hongkong
Minron 1 1 PG Flagship at Sema, Hainan
3 AM One AM at Maizuru
Torpddiv 1 4 TB East coast of China

3rd China Expeditionary Fleet

Gulf of Pechili

1 OCA
Torpddiv 11 4 TB
Torpddiv 21 4 TB
1 DD
3 AM

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XI.

Fleet Train

Since so many merchant vessels are now employed to augment the Fleet Train, it is impossible to give a complete list.

In the below given summary of Navy listed train vessels, the only ones whose positions are known follow:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
HAYATOMO (AO)	Kure
NARUTO (AO)	"
SHIRETOKO (AO)	Enroute Yokosuka
ASAHI MARU	Arrives Takao 4/28

SUMMARY

7 AO
2 AF
2 AC
2 AR
3 ARS

Home Waters
(Defense Squadrons or Unassigned)

- 1 BB (HARUNA - under repairs)
- 4 OCA
- 2 OCL
- 5 DD
- 9 SS
- 2 AS
- 4 DM
- 1 Target Ship
- 2 Training Ships
- 1 Ice Breaker

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SUBJECT: German Fleet Disposition.

Ship		Location	Last Reported Date
Type	Name		
- BB	TIRPITZ	Trondheim	April 18, 1942
- BB	SCHARNHORST	Kiel	April 12, 1942
- BB	GNEISENAU (1)	Unknown	April 12, 1942
- OBB	SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN	Gdynia	March 3, 1942
- OBB	SCHLESSEN (1)	Unknown	April 12, 1942
- CV	GRAF ZEPPELIN	Gdynia	March 3, 1942
CA	ADMIRAL SCHEER	Trondheim	April 18, 1942
CA	LUETZOW	Swinemuende	March 22, 1942
CA	SEYDLITZ	Bremen	April 14, 1942
CA	PRINZ EUGEN	Trondheim	April 18, 1942
- CA	ADMIRAL HIPPER	Trondheim	April 18, 1942
- CL	NUERNBERG	Kiel	April 12, 1942
- CL	LEIPZIG (2)	Unknown	April 14, 1942
- CL	KOELN	Wilhelmshaven	March 14, 1942
- CL	EMDEN	Gdynia	March 3, 1942
DD's (3)			
	5 Units	Norwegian Waters	March 2, 1942
	6 Units at least	Baltic	March 2, 1942
	5 Units	North Sea German Ports	March 2, 1942
SS's (4)			
	13 Units	Eastern Baltic; against Russia	April 21, 1942
	37 Units	Baltic; Training School	April 21, 1942
	78 Units	Trials and Working Up	April 21, 1942
	19 Units	Norway; Bases and Patrols	April 21, 1942
	40 Units	West France; Bases	April 21, 1942
	48 Units	Atlantic Patrols	April 21, 1942
	23 Units	Mediterranean; Bases and Patrols	April 21, 1942
258 Units Total.			

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SUBJECT: German Fleet Disposition.

NOTES:

- (1) According to photo-reconnaissance the GNEISENAU and SCHLESSEN were not at Kiel, April 12, 1942. These two vessels must have left Kiel between March 29 and April 12, 1942, and are now believed by the Admiralty to be in the Eastern Baltic.
- (2) LEIPZIG was not at Swinemuende April 14, 1942; she must have departed between March 22 and April 14, 1942, and is now believed by the Admiralty to be in the Eastern Baltic.

(3) Previously reported:

3 Units at least	Norwegian Waters	Feb. 23, 1942
6 Units	Baltic	Feb. 23, 1942
6 Units	North Sea German Ports	Feb. 23, 1942

3 or 4 Units were at Trondheim, April 14, 1942, according to photo-reconnaissance.

(4) Previously reported:

116 Units est.	Atlantic, N.Sea, Baltic Bases	April 12, 1942
31 Units	Atlantic	April 12, 1942
65 Units est.	Trials/Training, Baltic	April 12, 1942
23 Units	Mediterranean	April 13, 1942
5 Units	Black Sea	March 3, 1942
<u>240 Units Total Est.</u>		

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TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
BB	VITTORIO VENETO	Taranto (repairing)	March 24, 1942
BB	LITTORIO	" "	April 4, 1942
BB	CESARE	"	February 26, 1942
BB	CAVOUR Class (1)	"	April 9, 1942
CL's	5 Units	" (1 repairing)	February 26, 1942
CVS	MIRAGLIA	"	February 27, 1942
DD's	15 Units	"	February 26, 1942
SS's	10 Units (*) (2)	"	April 17, 1942
BB	CAVOUR Class (1)	Messina	April 9, 1942
CA	1 Unit	"	April 9, 1942
DD's	11 Units	"	February 27, 1942
SS's	6 Units	"	February 10, 1942
CA	1 Unit	Genoa (repairing)	March 12, 1942
OEM	1 Unit	" (harbor defense)	June, 1941
DD's	2 Units	" (repairing)	January 18, 1942
SS	1 Unit	" (repairing)	January 15, 1942
OCL's	3 Units (*) (5)	La Spezia (Guardships)	April 6, 1942
CA	1 Unit	" (Repairing)	January 11, 1942
SS	1 Unit (*) (2)	" (Repairing)	April 17, 1942
CL's	2 Units	Naples	February 27, 1942
DD's	10 Units	" (8 repairing)	February 27, 1942
SS's	0 Units (*) (2)	"	April 17, 1942
DD's	2 Units	Anzio-Nettuno	August 12, 1941
DD's	10 Units	Palermo	March 2, 1942
DD's	2 Units	Trapani	February 27, 1942
SS's	2 Units	"	February 27, 1942
DD's	3 Units	Augusta	February 1, 1942
SS's	2 Units (*)	"	February 1, 1942
SS's	4 Units	Cagliari	February 1, 1942
BB	CAVOUR	Trieste (repairing)	January, 1942
SS's	6 Units	Brindisi	February 1, 1942

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TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
OC's	0 Units (*)	Pola (Navy Yd. Depot Ship)	April 6, 1942
OC's	0 Units (*)	Ancona	April 6, 1942
DD's	14 Units	N. Aegean & Dodecanese Is.	February 20, 1942
SS's	13 Units	" " " "	February 20, 1942
SS's	6 Units (3)	Bordeaux	February 20, 1942
DD's	3 Units	Tripoli	April 5, 1942
OC's	0 Units (Ex-Yugoslav) (*)	Teodo	October 15, 1941
SS's	3 Units (Ex-Yugoslav)	"	October 15, 1941
CL's	2 Units	Unknown	
DD's	7 Units (*) (4)	Unknown	
SS's	13 Units (*) (2)	Unknown	

(*) Indicates change from last report.

- (1) Either the DORIA or DUILIO.
- (2) It is reported that 4 submarines from La Spezia, 4 from Taranto, and 2 from Naples departed on April 14 for operations in the Caribbean area.
- (3) At least two of the Italian submarines based at Bordeaux are operating in the South Atlantic and the Caribbean.
- (4) It is now known that Italy has definitely lost 51 destroyers leaving a total of 79.
- (5) Three old light cruisers formerly at Pola, Ancona and Teodo are at La Spezia in use only as guardships.

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DISPOSITION OF FRENCH (VICHY) FLEET

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE	
BB	DUNKERQUE (damaged)	Toulon	March 26, 1942	
BB	STRASBOURG	"	February 21, 1942	
OBB	PROVENCE	"	February 21, 1942	
CA	4 Units	"	February 15, 1942	
CL	3 Units	"	February 15, 1942	
DL	16 Units	"	February 15, 1942	
DD	13 Units	"	February 15, 1942	
SS	11 Units	"	February 15, 1942	
DD	3 Units	Oran	April 3, 1942	
SS	3 Units (*)	"	April 15, 1942	
DD	6 Units	Bizerte	January 14, 1942	
SS	12 Units	"	December 8, 1941	
BB	JEAN BART (incomplete)	Casablanca	April 20, 1942	(1)
CL	2 Units	"	April 19, 1942	
DL	3 Units	"	April 2, 1942	
DD	4 Units	"	March 28, 1942	
SS	10 Units (*)	"	April 17, 1942	(2)
BB	RICHELIEU (damaged)	Dakar	April 16, 1942	
CL	2 Units	"	April 17, 1942	(3)
DL	3 Units	"	April 17, 1942	(4)
SS	8 Units	"	April 16, 1942	(5)
SS	4 Units	Madagascar	March 17, 1942	
CV	BEARN	Martinique	April 7, 1942	
CL	1 Unit	"	April 7, 1942	
CL	1 Unit	Guadeloupe	April 20, 1942	
CL	1 Unit	Saigon	February 15, 1942	
DL	3 Units	Unknown	February 6, 1942	
DD	2 Units	"	April 9, 1942	
SS	13 Units	"	February 25, 1942	

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Disposition of French (Vichy) Fleet - cont'd

- (1) Admiral d'Harcourt, Commander French Naval Forces at Casablanca, stated no intention of sending vessel to St. Nazaire or Toulon.
- (2) 7 of these vessels engaged in training cruise April 14-17.
- (3) Engaged in maneuvers off Dakar April 15-17.
- (4) FANTASQUE and MALIN - note (3).
- (5) 1 or 2 SS's take station off Goree Island by night.

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DISPOSITION OF FINE FRENCH (BRITISH) FLEET

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
CBB	COURBET	Portsmouth	March 9, 1942
DD	4 Units (*)	"	February 23, 1942
SS	2 Units	"	March 9, 1942
CBB	PARIS	Plymouth	March 9, 1942
DD	1 Unit (*)	"	February 23, 1942
SS	1 Unit	Swansea	March 9, 1942
DL	1 Unit	Humber	March 9, 1942
SS	1 Unit	Dundee	March 9, 1942
SS	0 Unit (*)	Holy Lock	February 23, 1942
DD	1 Unit (*)	Unknown	March 8, 1942 (2)
SS	1 Unit (*)	"	March 6, 1942 (1)
SS	1 Unit (*)	Lerwick	March 8, 1942
DL	1 Unit	Sydney	April 20, 1942
DD	0 Units (*)	Simonstown	February 28, 1942
DD	1 Unit (*)	Clyde	March 9, 1942 (3)

(*) Denotes changes since April 14 report.

(1) JUNON departed Scapa March 6, 1942.

(2) MELPOMENE departed Harwich March 8, 1942.

(3) MISTRAL refitting.

Immobilized French Vessels

BB	LORRAINE	Alexandria	February 25, 1942
CA	3 Units	"	February 25, 1942
CL	1 Unit	"	February 25, 1942
DD	3 Units	"	February 25, 1942
SS	1 Unit	"	February 25, 1942

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SUBJECT: Japanese Fleet Locations.

The below listed locations of Japanese naval forces are estimates based on the best available information, including some sight contacts which are so noted. It is believed that this forms a fair general approximation.

Combined Fleet

Location

BB - ~~YAMATO~~ - Flag of CinC, Combined Fleet

Kure

I.

First Fleet

Composition:

Batdiv 1
~~NAGATO~~ (F)
~~MUTSU~~
~~YAMASHIRO~~

Batdiv 2
~~HYUGA~~
~~ISE~~

Home waters

5 BB

Cardiv 4
~~KORYU~~ (F)
~~KASUGA~~
Desdiv

Yokosuka area
" "

2 CV, 4 DD

Cardiv 5
~~ZUIKAKU~~ (F)
~~SHOKAKU~~
Desdiv 3

Arrived Bako April 18. Expected
reach Truk, possibly home port,
about Apr. 28

2 CV, 4 DD

Crudiv 4
~~ATAGO~~ (F)
~~MAYA~~

2 CA

Under repairs, Yokosuka.
Home waters

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I.

First Fleet (Continued)

Composition:

Location

Desron

✓ KUMA (F)

Desdiv

"

"

Home waters

1 CL, 12 DD

SUMMARY

5 BB / 1 BB (Combined Fleet flag)

4 CV

1 CL

2 CA

20 DD

II.

Fourth Fleet

Crudiv 18 **

✓ KASHIMA, flag of CinC 4th Fleet

✓ TENRYU

✓ ZATSUTA

In Truk area

New Britain area

*2 CL

Crudiv 6 **

✓ KAKO (F)

✓ KINUGASA

AOBA

✓ FURUTAKA

In New Britain area

* 3 CA

✓ RYUKAKU

1 CV2 DD

Searching for allied task force
in N.W. Pacific

✓ HOSHO

1 CV

Uncertain. Possibly Yokosuka
area.

Desron 6

✓ CL - YUBARI

Desdiv 29

✓ " 30

New Britain

1 CL 17 DD

✓ Repair & Salvage

2 XAR

Probably Palau.

✓ Miscellaneous

1 CM, 1 Survey Ship

Mandates

* 1 CL from Crudiv 18, 1 CA from Crudiv 6 considered lost.

**1 cruiser sighted patrolling outside Rabaul 4/17. Seven AP in harbor.

SUMMARY

3 CA

3 CL

2 CV

9 DD

1 CM

2 XAR

1 Survey Ship

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III.	Mandated Islands Base Defense Forces	Location
1.	3rd Base Force ✓ 4 XPG ✓ 4 SS ✓ AP & AK*	Palau Home waters Palau
2.	4th Base Force ✓ PT ✓ ✓ AP & AK*	Truk
3.	5th Base Force ✓ 2 CM ✓ AP & AK*	Saipan
4.	6th Base Force ✓ 1 CM ✓ 4 XAM ✓ 3 PC ✓ 15 PT ✓ AP & AK	Jaluit, except one detachment of unknown composition at Wake.
	* Total of	
✓ 5.	7th Base Force ✓ Miscellaneous craft	Chichijima
6.	8th Base Force ✓ 6 XPG ✓ 9 PT ✓ AP & AK Miscellaneous	Rabaul. Some XPG have returned home waters.

IV.	Sixth Fleet (Submarine Fleet)	Location
<u>Composition</u> KATORI (Flag) ✓	✓ 1 CL	Enroute Marshall Isls.
<u>Subron 1</u> ✓	✓ 1 AS ✓ 7 SS +	Operating from Yokosuka
<u>Subron 3</u> ✓	✓ 1 AS * ✓ 7 SS +	Kure-Yokosuka area
<u>Subron 7</u> ✓	✓ 1 XAS ✓ 9 SS +	Divided between home waters Truk area and Rabaul.
<u>Subron 8</u> ✓	✓ 1 AS 8 SS	Home waters

* Three additional XAS are reported at Kure

SUMMARY

1 CL
3 AS
1 XAS
27 SS

+ 4 SS out of total of 31 enumerated above are considered sunk.

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V.

Fifth Fleet

Composition:

✓ NACHI (F)

✓ TAMA

✓ SHIRIYA

Minron 2

✓ Mindiv 3

" 4

1 CA

1 CL

1 AO

Location:

Operating off east coast of Honshu.

Home waters

✓ 8 DM

Northern Detachment

Patron 1

MTZUHO

Patron 2

KOOWA MARU

Patron 3

RAMON MARU

Searching for allied task force off East coast of Honshu

1 AV, 14-17 XAV & XCL

SUMMARY

1 CA

1 CL

1 AO

8 DM

1 AV

14-17 - XAV & XCL

VI.

Second Fleet

✓ CA - TAKAO - Flagship of CinC, 2nd Fleet

Doubtful. May have withdrawn from Malay area.

Composition:

Batdiv 3

✓ KIRISHIMA

✓ KONGO

✓ FUSO

3 BB

Location:

Expected arrive Sasebo within next few days.

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VI.

Second Fleet (Continued)

Composition:

Location:

Cardiv 1

✓ AKAGI (F)

✓ KAGA

✓ Desdiv

Singapore
Under repairs, Sasebo

2 CV, 4 DD

Cardiv 2

✓ SORYU (F)

✓ HIRYU

✓ Desdiv 23

Singapore
Possibly in New Britain area

2 CV, 4 DD

Cardiv 3

✓ RYUJO

✓ NITTA MARU

✓ Desdiv 17

Expected arrive Kure 4/22
Yokosuka

1 CV, 1 XCV, 3 DD

Crudiv 5

✓ MIYOKO

✓ HAGURO

Expected arrive Truk 4/24

2 CA

Crudiv 7

✓ KUMANO (F)

✓ MOGAMI

✓ MIKUMA

✓ SUZUYA

Expected arrive Kure 4/22

* 3 CA

Crudiv 8

✓ TONE

1 CA Doubtful. May have withdrawn
from Malay area

Desron 1

✓ ABUKUMA (F)

✓ Desdiv 6

" 21

" 27

Home waters

1 CL, 12 DD

Desron 2

✓ JINTSU (F)

✓ Desdiv 8

" 15

" 16

" 18

Kure
Divided between home yards and
Saipan area

1 CL, 16 DD

Desron 4

✓ KITAGAMI (F)

✓ Desdiv 2

" 9

" 24

Divided up between Singapore
area and home waters.

1 CL, 12 DD

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VI.

Second Fleet (Continued)

Composition:

Location:

Subron 2

✓ KOMABASHI (F)

Subdiv 3

" 5

1 AS, 6 SS

Operating in Indian Ocean
from base at Penang

Subron 4

✓ TURA (F)

✓ YAKASAKI

Subdiv 28

" 29

" 30

1 CL, 1 AS, 8 SS

Operating in Indian Ocean
from Penang, except one unit
in home waters.

Subron 5

✓ KINU (F)

Subdiv 9

" 13

1 CL, 4 SS

Operating in Indian Ocean from
Penang, except two units at
Sasebo

Subron 6

ISUZU (F)

KARASAKI

Subdiv 18

" 19

" 21

1 CL, 1 AS, 8 SS

Arrived Kure 4/4

One division in Truk area;
remainder in Yokosuka area

✓ 9th Base Force

Composition unknown Kota Bharu

✓ 10th Base Force

" " Penang

* 1 CA of Crudiv 7 is considered lost.

SUMMARY

3 BB

5 CV

7 CA

4 CL

49 DD

3 AS

21 SS

1 XCV

✓ 2 CL out of total of 6 enumerated in composition are considered lost.

5 SS out of total of 26 enumerated in composition are considered lost.

2 DD out of total of 51 enumerated in composition are considered lost.

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VII.

Third Fleet

Composition:

Location:

✓ ASHIGARA (Flag)
 ✓ HIYEI

1 CA
 1 BB

Vicinity Davao
 Doubtful. Last reported in
 Formosa area.

Desron 3

✓ SENDAI
 Desdiv 11
 " 12
 " 19
 " 20

1 CL, 15 DD

Malay area except one unit at
 Yokosuka.

Desron 5

✓ NATORI (F))
 Desdiv 5)
 " 22)
 " 34)

1 CL, 11 DD

Bay of Bengal

Minron 3

✓ Mindiv 5
 ✓ " 6

8 DM

West coast of Luzon

1st Base Force

✓ KAGARA (F)
 ✓ Mindiv)
 ✓ Mindivs 1 & 21)
 ✓ Gunboat Div 1
 ✓ Subchaser Divs 1, 11, 21, 31
 ✓ Miscellaneous

1 CL
 3 CM
 11 AM
 6 XPG
 12 PC

Maizuru - in dry dock
 Mindivs on West coast of
 Luzon
 N.E.I. area

2nd Base Force

✓ KARA (F)
 ✓ Mindiv 17

1 CL
 3 CM

West coast of Luzon
 " " " "

31st Base Force

Unknown

Celebes-Davao area

32nd Base Force

Davao area

SUMMARY

1 BB
 1 CA
 2 CL*
 24 DD**
 6 CM
 8 DM
 11 AM
 6 XPG
 11 PC***

* 2 CL out of total of 4 enumerated in composition are considered lost.

**2 DD " " " " 26 " " " " " "

***1 PC " " " " 12 " " " " " "

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VIII.

Southern Expeditionary Fleet

Composition:

Location:

CHOKAI (F)	1 CA	Believed enroute Kure
KASHII	1 CL	Believed convoying army
SHIMUSHU	1 CM	transports up China coast. Ex-
		pect arrive Dairen 4/30.
Desdiv 7	4 DD	Yokosuka

SUMMARY

1 CA
1 CL
1 CM
4 DD

IX.

Combined Air Force

Comdr., Combined Air Force

Believed moving east from Burma

Airon 6

✓ KAMIKAWA MARU
FUJIKAWA MARU
✓ KENJO MARU

3 XAV

Home waters
Expected arrive Rabaul 3 or 4 May
Rabaul

Airon 7

✓ CHITOSE
✓ CHIYODA

2 AV

Subic Bay
Home waters - uncertain

Airon 10

✓ SOUYOU MARU

3 XAV

Arrived Takeo 4/17

Airon 11

✓ NISSHIN

1 AV, 2 XAV

Bay of Bengal

Airon 22

Bay of Bengal

3 XAV

Airon 23

Off N.W. New Guinea

✓ 3 XAV

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IX.

Combined Air Force (continued)

Composition:

Airon 24

✓ KAMOI
✓ NOTORO
✓ KIYOZUMI MARU
✓ GOSHU MARU

2 AV, 2 XAV

Tarao, Marshall Islands
Singapore
Rabaul area
Maloelap, Marshalls

Airon 25

3 XAV

Rabaul. Indications are
that tenders in this area are
being organized into this
new airon.

SUMMARY

5 AV
16 XAV

X.

1st China Expeditionary Fleet
and China Fleets Command Unit

Vicinity of Shanghai
and Yangtze River

✓ IZUMO (Fleet Flag) 1 OCA ✓
Desdiv 26 3 DD ✓
Gunboat Div 4 PG ✓
Patdiv 11 10 PR ✓

2nd China Expeditionary Fleet

HASHIDATE 1 PG ✓ Hongkong
Minron 1 1 PG ✓ Flagship at Sama, Hai-
3 AM nan-One AM at Maizuru
Torpdiv 1 4 TB ✓ East coast of China

3rd China Expeditionary Fleet

Gulf of Pechili

1 OCA
Torpdiv 11 4 TB
Torpdiv 21 4 TB
1 DD
3 AM

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XI.

Fleet Train

Since so many merchant vessels are now employed to augment the Fleet Train, it is impossible to give a complete list.

In the below given summary of Navy listed train vessels, the only ones whose positions are known follow:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
AKASHI (AR)	In S.W. waters
✓ HAYATOMO (AO)	At Kure
NARUTO (AO)	Probably in home waters

SUMMARY

8 AO
2 AF
2 AC
2 AR
3 ARS

Home Waters

(Defense Squadrons or Unassigned)

✓ 1 BB (HARUNA - under repairs)
✓ 4 OCA
✓ 2 OCL
✓ 5 DD
✓ 9 SS
✓ 2 AS
✓ 4 DM
✓ 1 Target Ship
✓ 2 Training Ships
✓ 1 Ice Breaker

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French (British Control) and Japanese

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SUBJECT: German Fleet Disposition.

Type	Ship Name	Location	Last Reported Date
BB	TIRPITZ	Trondheim	April 13, 1942
BB	SCHARNHORST	Kiel	April 12, 1942
BB	GNEISENAU (1)	Kiel	March 29, 1942
OBB	SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN	Gdynia	March 3, 1942
OBB	SCHLESSEN (2)	Kiel	March 29, 1942
CV	GRAF ZEPPELIN (3)	Gdynia	March 3, 1942
CA	ADMIRAL SCHEER	Trondheim	April 13, 1942
CA	LUETZOW	Swinemuende	March 22, 1942
CA	SEYDLITZ	Bremen	March 2, 1942
CA	PRINZ EUGEN	Trondheim	April 13, 1942
CA	ADMIRAL HIPPER	Trondheim	April 13, 1942
CL	NUERNBERG	Kiel	April 12, 1942
CL	LEIPZIG	Swinemuende	March 22, 1942
CL	KOELN	Wilhelmshaven	March 13, 1942
CL	EMDEN	Gdynia	March 3, 1942
DD's (4)			
	3 Units at least	Norwegian Waters	Feb. 23, 1942
	6 Units	Baltic	Feb. 23, 1942
	6 Units	North Sea German ports	Feb. 23, 1942
SS's (5)			
	116 Units (Est.)	Atlantic, N.Sea, Baltic Bases	April 12, 1942
	31 Units	Atlantic	April 12, 1942
	65 Units (Est.)	Trials/Training, Baltic	April 12, 1942
	23 Units	Mediterranean	April 13, 1942
	5 Units	Black Sea	March 3, 1942
	240 Units Total (Est.)		

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NOTES:

- (1) According to photo-reconnaissance GNEISENAU was not at Kiel, April 12, 1942.
- (2) Previously reported off Gjedser, February 16, 1942. According to photo-reconnaissance, SCHLESSEN was not at Kiel, April 12, 1942.
- (3) GRAF ZEPPELIN is "still completing". Progress of the work is slow.
- (4) Previously reported:

5 Units	Trondheim	Feb. 24, 1942
6 Units	North Sea	Feb. 17, 1942
4 Units	Kiel	Feb. 17, 1942
2 Units	Baltic	Feb. 17, 1942

- (5) Previously reported:

114 Units (Est.)	Atlantic, N. Sea, Baltic Bases	April 6, 1942
26 Units	Atlantic	April 6, 1942
65 Units (Est.)	Trials/Training, Baltic	April 6, 1942
30 Units	Mediterranean	Jan. 4, 1942
5 Units	Black Sea	March 5, 1942
<u>240 Units Total (Est.)</u>		

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DISPOSITION OF ITALIAN FLEET

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
BB	VITTORIO VENETO	Taranto (Repairing)	March 24, 1942
BB	LITTORIO	" "	April 4, 1942
BB	CESARE	"	February 26, 1942
BB	CAVOUR Class (*) (1)	"	April 9, 1942
CL's	5 Units	" (1 repairing)	February 26, 1942
CVS	MIRAGLIA	"	February 27, 1942
DD's	15 Units	"	February 26, 1942
SS's	14 Units	"	February 10, 1942
BB	CAVOUR Class (1) (*)	Messina	April 9, 1942
CA's	1 Unit	"	April 9, 1942
CL's	0 Units (*) (2)	"	March 24, 1942
DD's	11 Units	"	February 27, 1942
SS's	6 Units	"	February 10, 1942
CA's	1 Unit	Genoa (repairing)	March 12, 1942
OBM	1 Unit	" (harbor defense)	June, 1941
DD's	2 Units	" (repairing)	January 18, 1942
SS's	1 Unit	" (repairing)	January 15, 1942
CA's	1 Unit	La Spezia (repairing)	January 11, 1942
SS's	5 Units	" " "	December 31, 1941
CL's	2 Units	Naples	February 27, 1942
DD's	10 Units	" (8 repairing)	February 27, 1942
SS's	2 Units	" (repairing)	January 31, 1942
DD's	2 Units	Anzio-Nettuno	August 12, 1941
DD's	10 Units	Palermo	March 2, 1942
DD's	2 Units	Trapani	February 27, 1942
SS's	2 Units	"	February 27, 1942
DD's	3 Units	Augusta	December 31, 1941
SS's	5 Units	"	December 31, 1941
SS's	4 Units	Cagliari	December 31, 1941
BB	CAVOUR (*)	Trieste (repairing)	January, 1942

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TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
SS's	6 Units	Brindisi	December 31, 1941
OCL	1 Unit	Pola (Navy Yd. Depot Ship)	June, 1941
OCL	1 Unit	Ancona	January 7, 1941
DD's	14 Units	N. Aegean & Dodecanese Is.	February 20, 1942
SS's	13 Units	" " " " "	February 20, 1942
SS's	6 Units	Bordeaux	February 20, 1942
DD's	3 Units (*)	Tripoli	April 5, 1942
BB's	0 Units (*)	Unknown	
CL's	2 Units (*)	Unknown	
DD's	13 Units (*)	Unknown	
OCL	1 Unit (Ex-Yugoslav)	Teodo	October 15, 1941
SS's	3 Units (Ex-Yugoslav)	"	October 15, 1941

(*) Indicates change since last report.

(1) Either the DORIA or DUILIO.

(2) The BANDE NERE (CL) was at sea on March 24th and her present location is unknown.

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DISPOSITION OF FRENCH (VICHY) FLEET

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
BB	DUNKERQUE (damaged)	Toulon	March 26, 1942
BB	STRASBOURG	"	February 21, 1942
CEB	PROVENCE	"	February 21, 1942
CA	4 Units	"	February 15, 1942
CL	3 Units	"	February 15, 1942
DL	16 Units	"	February 15, 1942
DD	13 Units	"	February 15, 1942
SS	11 Units	"	February 15, 1942
DD	3 Units (*)	Cran	April 3, 1942
SS	4 Units (*)	"	April 3, 1942
DD	6 Units	Pizerte	January 14, 1942
SS	12 Units	"	December 8, 1941
BB	JEAN BART (incomplete)	Casablanca	April 12, 1942 (1)
CL	2 Units	"	April 5, 1942
DL	3 Units	"	April 1, 1942 (2)
DD	4 Units	"	March 28, 1942
SS	9 Units	"	April 3, 1942 (3)
BB	RICHELIEU (damaged)	Dakar	March 15, 1942
CL	2 Units	"	April 4, 1942
DL	3 Units	"	February 15, 1942
SS	8 Units	"	March 2, 1942
SS	4 Units	Madagascar	March 17, 1942
CV	BEARN	Martinique	March 6, 1942
CL	1 Unit	"	April 7, 1942 (4)
CL	1 Unit	Guadeloupe	March 6, 1942
CL	1 Unit	Saigon	February 15, 1942
DL	3 Units	Unknown	February 6, 1942
DD	2 Units (*)	"	April 9, 1942
SS	13 Units (*)	"	February 25, 1942

(*) Denotes changes since April 7 report.

(1) Reliably reported double row of torpedo nets around JEAN BART now complete.

(2) ALBATROS, EPERVIER and MILAN engaged in practice cruises April 1 and 2.

(3) ACTEON, ARGO, CENTAURE, FRESNEL and PALLAS engaged in practice cruises

April 2 and 3.

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DISPOSITION OF FREE FRENCH (BRITISH) FLEET

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
OBB	COURBET	Portsmouth	February 23, 1942
DD	3 Units	"	March 25, 1941
SS	2 Units	"	February 23, 1942
OBB	PARIS	Plymouth	February 23, 1942
DD	2 Units	"	March 25, 1941
SS	1 Unit	Holy Lock	February 23, 1942
SS	1 Unit	Swansea	February 23, 1942
DL	1 Unit	Humber	February 23, 1942
SS	1 Unit	Dundee	February 23, 1942
DD	1 Unit	Unknown	February 21, 1942
SS	1 Unit	"	February 18, 1942
DL	0 Units (*)	Cape Loguno	March 30, 1942 (1)
DL	1 Unit (*)	Sydney	April 13, 1942 (1)
DD	1 Unit	Simonstown	February 28, 1942

(*) Denotes changes since April 7 report.

(1) DL LE TRICHPHANT

Immobilized French Vessels

BB	LOIRRAINE	Alexandria	February 25, 1942
CA	3 Units	"	February 25, 1942
CL	1 Unit	"	February 25, 1942
DD	3 Units	"	February 25, 1942
SS	1 Unit	"	February 25, 1942

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MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Japanese Fleet Locations.

The below listed locations of Japanese naval forces are estimates based on the best available information, including some sight contacts which are so noted. It is believed that this forms a fair general approximation. It will be noted that at present there is considerable uncertainty because many units have been separated incident to reorganization and upkeep and repairs in home yards.

Combined Fleet

Location

BB - YAMATO - Flag of CinC, Combined Fleet

Kure

I.

First Fleet

Composition:

Batdiv 1
NAGATO (F)
MUTSU
YAMASHIRO

Batdiv 2
HYUGA
ISE

5 BB

Probably in home waters, but one NAGATO class may have gone south to operate offensively in Bay of Bengal.

Cardiv 4
KORYU (F)
KASUGA
Desdiv

2 CV, 4 DD

Probably in home waters. At Yokosuka or Rabaul area. Split up between two carriers.

Cardiv 5
ZUIKARU (F)
SHOKAKU
Desdiv 3

2 CV, 4 DD

Believed operating in Indian Ocean.

Cruidiv 4
ATAGO (F)
MAYA

2 CA

Under repairs, Yokosuka. Uncertain. Probably home waters.

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I.

First Fleet (Continued)

Composition:

Location

Desron
KUMA (F)
Desdiv
"
"

Probably in home waters.

1 CL, 12 DD

SUMMARY

5 BB 1 BB (Combined Fleet flag)
4 CV
1 CL
2 CA
20 DD

II.

Fourth Fleet

Crudiv 18 **

KASHIMA, flag of CinC 4th Fleet
TENRYU)
TATSUTA)

In Truk area.

New Britain area.

* 2 CL

Crudiv 6 **

KAKO (F)
KINUGASA
AOBA
FURUTAKA

In New Britain area.

* 3 CA

HOSHO

1 CV

Yokosuka.

Desron 6 **

CL - YUENARI

Desdiv 29

" 30

1 CL, 7 DD

New Britain, except a few units
which have returned home yards
for overhaul.

Repair & Salvage

2 XAR

Probably Palau.

Miscellaneous

1 CM, 1 Survey Ship

Mandates.

- * 1 CL from Crudiv 18, 1 CA from Crudiv 6 considered lost.
** Sighted departing Lorengau, Admiralty Islands on 4/11:
2 cruisers
1 DD
1 AP

SUMMARY

3 CA
3 CL
1 CV
7 DD
1 CM
2 XAR
1 Survey Ship

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III.	<u>Mandated Islands Base Defense Forces</u>		<u>Location:</u>
1.	3rd Base Force	4 XPG 4 SS AP & AK*	Palau Home waters Palau
2.	4th Base Force	7 PT AP & AK*	Truk
3.	5th Base Force	2 CM AP & AK*	Saipan
4.	6th Base Force	1 CM 4 IAM 3 PC 15 PT * Total of AP & AK	Jaluit, except one detachment of unknown composition at Wake.
5.	7th Base Force	Miscellaneous craft	Chichijima
6.	8th Base Force	8 XPG 9 PT Miscellaneous	Rabaul. Some XPG have returned home waters.

IV.	<u>Sixth Fleet (Submarine Fleet)</u>		<u>Location</u>
<u>Composition</u>			
<u>KATORI (Flag)</u>	1 CL		Yokosuka area.
<u>Subron 1</u>	1 AS 7 SS		Operating from Yoko- suka.
<u>Subron 3</u>	1 AS * 7 SS		Kure-Yokosuka area.
<u>Subron 7</u>	1 IAS 9 SS		Divided between home waters and Truk area.
<u>Subron 8</u>	1 AS 8 SS		East China Sea.

* Three additional IAS are reported at Kure.

SUMMARY

1 CL
3 AS
1 IAS
27 SS

4 SS out of total of 31 enumerated above are considered sunk.

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V.

Fifth Fleet

Composition:

NACHI (F)
TAMA
SHIRIYA

1 CA
 1 CL
 1 AO

Location:
 Operating off east coast of
 Honshu.

Minron 2
Mindiv 3
 " 4

8 DM

Home waters.

Northern Detachment

Patron 1
MIZUHO

Northern home waters.

Patron 2
KOOWA MARU

Patron 3
RAMON MARU

1 AV, 14-17 XAV & XCL

SUMMARY

1 CA
 1 CL
 1 AO
 8 DM
 1 AV
 14-17 XAV & XCL

VI.

Second Fleet

CA - TAKAO - Flagship of CinC, 2nd Fleet

Penang.

Composition:

Batdiv 3
KIRISHIMA
KONGO
FUSO

3 BB

Location:
 Operating offensively,
 Bay of Bengal.

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VI.

Second Fleet (continued)

Composition:

Location:

Cardiv 1 <u>AKAGI</u> (F) KAGA Desdiv	2 CV, 4 DD	Bay of Bengal. Under repairs, Sasebo.
Cardiv 2 <u>SOERYU</u> (F) HIRYU Desdiv 23	2 CV, 4 DD	Bay of Bengal. Possibly in New Britain area.
Cardiv 3 ** <u>RYUJO</u> NITTA MARU Desdiv 17	1 CV, 1 XCV, 3 DD	Malay area. Yokosuka.
Crudiv 5 <u>MYOKO</u> HAGURO	2 CA	Recently departed Sasebo. Destination unknown.
Crudiv 7 <u>KUMANO</u> (F) MOGAMI MIKUMA SUZUYA	* 3 CA	Operating Bay of Bengal.
Crudiv 8 <u>ONE</u>	1 CA	Operating Bay of Bengal.
Desron 1 <u>ABUKUMA</u> (F) Desdiv 6 " 21 " 27	1 CL, 12 DD	May have left Sasebo and now in Singapore - Bay of Bengal area.
Desron 2 <u>JINTSU</u> (F) Desdiv 8) " 15) " 16) " 18)	1 CL, 16 DD	Kure Divided between home yards and Saipan area.
Desron 4 <u>KITAGAMI</u> (F) Desdiv 2 " 9 " 24	1 CL, 12 DD	Divided up between Singapore area and home waters.

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VI.

Second Fleet (Continued)

Composition:

Location:

Subron 2
KOMAHASHI (F)
Subdiv 3
" 5

1 AS, 6 SS

Operating in Indian Ocean.
from base at Penang.

Subron 4
YURA (F)
TAKASAKI
Subdiv 28
" 29
" 30

1 CL, 1 AS, 8 SS

Operating in Indian Ocean
from Penang, except one unit
in home waters.

Subron 5
KINU (F)
Subdiv 9
" 13

1 CL, 4 SS

Operating in Indian Ocean from
Penang, except two units at
Sasebo.

Subron 6
ISUZU (F)
KARASAKI
Subdiv 18
" 19
" 21

1 CL, 1 AS, 8 SS

Arrived at Kure about 4/4

One division in Truk area;
remainder in home waters.

9th Base Force

Composition unknown

Kota Bharu.

10th Base Force

" "

Penang.

* 1 CA of Crudiv 7 is considered lost.

** There are indications of a new carrier, RYUKAKU, which may be assigned Cardiv 3.

SUMMARY

3 BB
5 CV
7 CA
4 CL
49 DD
3 AS
21 SS
1 IGV

2 CL out of total of 6 enumerated in composition are considered lost.

5 SS out of total of 26 enumerated in composition are considered lost.

2 DD " " " " 51 " " " " " "

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VII.

Third Fleet

Composition:

Location:

ASHIGARA (Flag)
MIYKI

1 CA
1 BB

Vicinity Davao,
Formosa.

Desron 3

SENDAI

Desdiv 11

" 12
" 19
" 20

1 CL, 15 DD

Malay area except one unit at
Yokosuka.

Desron 5

MAFURI (F)

Desdiv 5)

" 22)
" 34

1 CL, 11 DD

Bay of Bengal.

Moulmein, except AKIKAZE
off NW New Guinea.

Minron 3

Mindiv 5

" 6

8 DM

West coast of Luzon

1st Base Force

NAHARA (F)

Mindiv)

Mindivs 1 & 21)

Gunboat Div 1

Subchaser Divs 1, 11, 21, 31

Miscellaneous

1 CL
3 CM
11 AM
6 XPG)
12 PC)

Maizuru - in dry dock.
Mindivs on West coast of
Luzon.

N. E. I. area.

2nd Base Force

NAKA (F)

Mindiv 17

1 CL
3 CM

West coast of Luzon.
" " " "

31st Base Force

Unknown

Celebes-Davao area.

32nd Base Force

Davao area.

SUMMARY

1 BB
1 CA
2 CL *
24 DD **
6 CM
8 DM
11 AM
6 XPG
11 PC ***

* 2 CL out of total of 4 enumerated in composition are considered lost.
** 2 DD " " " " 25 " " " " " "
*** 1 PC " " " " 12 " " " " " "

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VIII

Southern Expeditionary Fleet

Composition:

Location:

CHOKAI (F)
KASHII

1 CA
1 CL

Penang-Singapore area
" " "

SHIMUSHU

1 CM

11 11 11

Desdiv 7

4 DD

Yokosuka

SUMMARY

1	CA
1	CL
1	CM
4	DD

IX.

Combined Air Force

Comdr., Combined Air Force

Moulmein, Burma

Airon 6

KAMIKAWA MARU

Believed enroute Empire for
load of planes

FUJIKAWA MARU
KENJO MARU

3 XAV

Kwajalein, Marshalls
Off N.W. Dutch New Guinea

Airon 7

CHITOSE

CHIYODA

2 AV

Enroute home waters
Home waters - uncertain

Airon 10

SOUYOU MARU

Doubtful. May be NEI area.

3 XAV

Airon 11

NISSHIN

1 AV, 2 XAV

Bay of Bengal

Airon 22

Bay of Bengal

3 XAV

Airon 23

Off N.W., New Guinea

3 XAV

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Combined Air Force (continued)

Composition:

Location:

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KAMO I
NOTORO
KIYOZUMI MARU
GOSHU MARU

2 AV, 2 XAV

Tarao, Marshall Islands
Enroute or at Singapore
Rabaul area
Malaelap, Marshalls

Airon 25

Unknown

3 XAV

Airon 26

Possibly in Mandates

3 XAV

SUMMARY

5 AV
22 XAV

X.

1st China Expeditionary Fleet
and China Fleets Command Unit

Vicinity of Shanghai
and Yangtse River

IZUMO (Fleet Flag) 1 OCA
Desdiv 26 3 DD
Gunboat Div 4 PG
Patdiv 11 10 PR

2nd China Expeditionary Fleet

HASHIDATE 1 PG Hongkong
Minron 1 1 PG Flagship at Sama, Hai-
nan-One AM at Maizuru
Torpddiv 1 4 TB East coast of China

3rd China Expeditionary Fleet

Gulf of Pechili

1 OCA
Torpddiv 11 4 TB
Torpddiv 21 4 TB
1 DD
3 AM

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XI.

Fleet Train

Since so many merchant vessels are now employed to augment the Fleet Train, it is impossible to give a complete list.

In the below given summary of Navy listed train vessels, the only ones whose positions are known follow:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
AKASHI (AR)	In S.W. waters
HAYATOMO (AO)	At Kure
NARUTO (AO)	Probably in home waters

SUMMARY

8 AO
2 AF
2 AC
2 AR
3 ARS

Home Waters(Defense Squadrons or Unassigned)

1 BB (HARUNA - under repairs)
4 OCA
2 OCL
7 DD
9 SS
2 AS
4 DM
1 Target Ship
2 Training Ships
1 Ice Breaker

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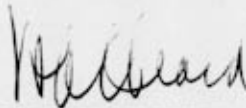
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FLEET LOCATIONS

German, Italian, French (Vichy),
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MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: German Fleet Disposition.

Type	Ship Name	Location	Last Reported Date
BB	✓ TIRPITZ	Trondheim	March 31, 1942
BB	✓ SCHARNHORST	Kiel	March 29, 1942
BB	✓ GNEISENAU	Kiel	March 29, 1942
OB	✓ SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN	Gdynia	March 3, 1942
OB	✓ SCHLESSEN	Off Gjedser	February 16, 1942
CV	✓ GRAF ZEPPELIN	Gdynia	March 3, 1942
CA	✓ ADMIRAL SCHEER (1)	Trondheim	March 31, 1942
CA	✓ LOETZOW	Swinemuende	March 22, 1942
CA	✓ SEYDLITZ	Bremen	March 2, 1942
CA	✓ PRINZ EUGEN	Trondheim	March 31, 1942
CA	✓ ADMIRAL HIPPER	Trondheim	March 31, 1942
CL	✓ NUERNBERG	Kiel	March 29, 1942
CL	✓ LEIPZIG	Swinemuende	March 22, 1942
CL	✓ KOELN	Wilhelmshaven	March 13, 1942
CL	✓ EMDEN	Gdynia	March 3, 1942
DD's (2)			
	5 Units ✓	Trondheim	February 24, 1942
	6 Units ✓	North Sea	February 17, 1942
	4 Units ✓	Kiel	February 17, 1942
	2 Units ✓	Baltic	February 17, 1942
SS's (3)			
	114 Units *	Atlantic, N. Sea, Baltic Bases	April 6, 1942
	26 Units	Atlantic	April 6, 1942
	65 Units *	Trials/Training, Baltic	April 6, 1942
	30 Units	Mediterranean	Jan. 4, 1942
	5 Units	Black Sea	March 3, 1942
	240 Units Total *		

* Estimated.

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- (1) Previously reported Kiel, March 29, 1942.
- (2) At least five German destroyers were engaged Northeast of North Cape, March 29, 1942. One of the destroyers was sunk.
- (3) Previously reported:

108 Units *	Atlantic, N.Sea, Baltic Bases	March 29, 1942
32 Units	Atlantic	March 29, 1942
65 Units *	Trials/Training, Baltic	March 29, 1942
30 Units	Mediterranean	Jan. 4, 1942
5 Units	Black Sea	March 3, 1942
<u>240 TOTAL *</u>		

* Estimated.

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DISPOSITION OF ITALIAN FLEET

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
BB	VITTORIO VENETO (1)	Taranto (repairing)	March 24, 1942
BB	LITTORIO (1)	" (repairing)	April 4, 1942
BB	CESARE	"	February 26, 1942
BB	DUILIO	"	February 26, 1942
BB	DORIA	"	February 26, 1942
CL's	5 Units (2)	" (1 repairing)	February 26, 1942
CVS	MIRAGLIA	"	February 27, 1942
DD's	15 Units	"	February 26, 1942
SS's	14 Units	"	February 10, 1942
CA's	1 Unit (*) (3)	Messina	April 1, 1942
CL's	1 Unit	"	February 27, 1942
DD's	11 Units	"	February 27, 1942
SS's	6 Units	"	February 27, 1942
CA's	1 Unit	Genoa (repairing)	March 12, 1942
OEM	1 Unit	" (harbor defense)	June, 1941
DD's	2 Units	" (repairing)	January 18, 1942
SS's	1 Unit	" (repairing)	January 5, 1942
CA's	1 Unit	La Spezia (repairing)	January 11, 1942
SS's	5 Units	"	December 31, 1941
CL's	2 Units	Naples	February 27, 1942
DD's	10 Units	" (8 repairing)	February 27, 1942
SS's	2 Units	" (repairing)	January 31, 1942
DD's	2 Units	Anzio-Nettuno	August 12, 1941
DD's	10 Units	Palermo	March 2, 1942
DD's	2 Units	Trapani	February 27, 1942
SS's	2 Units	"	February 27, 1942
DD's	3 Units	Augusta	December 31, 1941
SS's	5 Units	"	December 31, 1941
SS's	6 Units	Brindisi	December 31, 1941
SS's	4 Units	Cagliari	December 31, 1941

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Disposition of Italian Fleet (cont'd)

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
OCL	1 Unit	Pola (Navy Yd. Depot Ship)	June, 1941
OCL	✓ 1 Unit	Ancona	January 7, 1941
DD's	14 Units	N. Aegean & Dodecanese Is.	February 20, 1942
SS's	✓ 13 Units	N. Aegean & Dodecanese Is.	February 20, 1942
SS's	✓ 6 Units	Bordeaux	February 20, 1942
DD's	✓ 6 Units	Tripoli	February 10, 1942
BB	CAVOUR	Unknown	
CL	✓ 1 Unit	Unknown	
DD's	10 Units (*) (4)	Unknown	
OCL	✓ 1 Unit (ex-Yugoslav)	Teodo	October 15, 1941
SS's	3 Units (ex-Yugoslav)	"	October 15, 1941

(*) Indicates change from last report.

- (1) One LITTORIO Class damaged in naval action of March 22 and one LITTORIO Class in graving dock repairing.
- (2) Two CL's believed damaged in naval action of March 22. One other CL is repairing in the drydock at Taranto.
- (3) One of the CA's based at Messina, either GORIZIA or TRENTO, sunk by the British Submarine URGE off the Island of Stromboli in the Tyrrhenian Sea on April 1.
- (4) The Ex-Greek destroyer KING GEORGE is undergoing repairs in preparation for commissioning by the Italian Navy. This vessel was sunk in the Harbor of Piraeus during the Greek Campaign and was subsequently raised and taken to Salamis by the Italians. Present location unknown.

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DISPOSITION OF FRENCH (VICHY) FLEET

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
BB	DUNKERQUE (damaged)	Toulon	March 26, 1942
BB	STRASBOURG	"	February 21, 1942
OBB	PROVENCE	"	February 21, 1942
CA	4 Units	"	February 15, 1942
CL	3 Units	"	February 15, 1942
DL	16 Units	"	February 15, 1942
DD	13 Units	"	February 15, 1942
SS	11 Units	"	February 15, 1942 (1)
DD	2 Units	Oran	March 26, 1942 (2)
SS	8 Units(*)	"	March 26, 1942
DD	6 Units	Bizerte	January 14, 1942
SS	12 Units	"	December 8, 1941
BB	JEAN BART (incomplete)	Casablanca	March 31, 1942
CL	2 Units (*)	"	April 5, 1942 (3)
DL	3 Units	"	March 28, 1942
DD	4 Units (*)	"	March 28, 1942
SS	9 Units (*)	"	March 28, 1942 (4)
BB	RICHELIEU (damaged)	Dakar	March 15, 1942
CL	2 Units (*)	"	April 4, 1942 (3)
DL	3 Units	"	February 15, 1942
SS	8 Units	"	March 2, 1942
SS	4 Units	Madagascar	March 17, 1942
CV	BEARN	Martinique	February 25, 1942
CL	1 Unit	"	March 28, 1942 (5)
CL	1 Unit	Guadeloupe	January 23, 1942
CL	1 Unit	Saigon	February 15, 1942
DL	3 Units	Unknown	February 6, 1942
DD	3 Units (*)	"	February 2, 1942
SS	9 Units (*)	"	February 25, 1942 (1)

(*) Denotes changes since March 31 report.
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Disposition of French (Vichy) Fleet (cont'd)

- (1) Three additional SS's reported March 25 to be enroute Casablanca to Toulon for overhaul.
- (2) FOUQUEUX still under repair March 26.
- (3) GLOIRE arrived April 3 from Dakar with gold.
PRIMAUGUET has been fitted with 2 prs. 13.2mm M.G.'s.
- (4) ARGO and CENTAURE on cruise March 28.
- (5) EMILE BERTIN on trip to Saintes. Returns to Fort-de-France April 7.

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DISPOSITION OF FREE FRENCH (BRITISH) FLEET

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
OBB	COURBET	Portsmouth	February 23, 1942
DD	3 Units	"	March 25, 1941
SS	2 Units	"	February 23, 1942
OBB	PARIS	Plymouth	February 23, 1942
DD	2 Units	"	March 25, 1941
SS	0 Units (*)	"	February 23, 1942
SS	1 Unit (*)	Holy Lock	February 23, 1942
SS	1 Unit	Swansea	February 23, 1942
DL	1 Unit	Humber	February 23, 1942 (1)
DD	0 Units (*)	Harwich	February 21, 1942 (2)
SS	1 Unit (*)	Dundee	February 23, 1942 (3)
DD	1 Unit (*)	Unknown	February 21, 1942 (2)
SS	1 Unit (*)	"	February 18, 1942 (4)
DL	1 Unit (*)	Cape Loguno	March 30, 1942
DD	1 Unit	Simonstown	February 28, 1942.

- (*) Denotes changes since March 31st report.
 (1) LEOPARD completes repairs mid-April.
 (2) MELPOMENE departed Harwich February 21st.
 (3) RUBIS completes repairs March 10th.
 (4) MINERVE departed Lerwick February 18th.

Immobilized French Vessels

BB	LORRAINE	Alexandria	February 25, 1942
CA	3 Units	"	February 25, 1942
CL	1 Unit	"	February 25, 1942
DD	3 Units	"	February 25, 1942
SS	1 Unit	"	February 25, 1942

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MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Japanese Fleet Locations.

The below listed locations of Japanese naval forces are estimates based on the best available information, including some sight contacts which are so noted. It is believed that this forms a fair general approximation. It will be noted that at present there is considerable uncertainty because many units have been separated incident to reorganization and upkeep and repairs in home yards.

Combined Fleet

Location

BB - YAMATO - Flag of C-in-C, Combined Fleet Unknown.

I. First Fleet

Composition:

Batdiv 1

NAGATO (F)
MUTSU
YAMASHIRO

Batdiv 2

HYUGA
ISE

5 BB

Probably in home waters, but one or both NAGATO class may have gone south to operate offensively in Bay of Bengal.

Cardiv 4

KORYU (F)
KASUGA
Desdiv

2 CV, 4 DD

Probably in home waters.
Believed in Saipan area
Split up between two carriers

Cardiv 5

ZUIKAKU (F)
SHOKAKU
Desdiv 3

2 CV, 4 DD

Palau area
Saipan area
Split up between two carriers

Orudiv 4

ATAGO (F)
MAYA

2 CA

Under repairs, Yokosuka
May be Malay area

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I.

First Fleet (Continued)

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Composition:

Location:

Desron

Probably in home waters

KUMA (F)

Desdiv

"

"

1 CL, 12 DD

SUMMARY

5 BB / 1 BB (Combined Fleet flag)

4 CV

1 CL

2 CA

20 DD

II

Fourth Fleet

Cruidiv 18*

KASHIMA, flag of CinC 4th Fleet

In Truk area

TENRYU)

New Britain area

TATSUTA)

* 2 CL

Cruidiv 6

KAKO (F)

In New Britain area except one ship
may be in Saipan area

AOBA

KINUGASA

FURUTAKA

* 3 CA

HOSHO

1 CV

Truk area

Desron 6 **

CL - YUBARI

New Britain, except a few units
which have returned home yards
for overhaul.

Desdiv 29

" 30

1 CL, 7 DD

Repair & Salvage

2 XAR

Probably Palau

Miscellaneous

1 CM, 1 Survey Ship

Mandates

* 1 CL from Cruidiv 18, 1 CA from Cruidiv 6 considered lost.

** Sighted in Buka Passage on 4/1: 3 CA, 1 CL, 1 DD, 1 AP

SUMMARY

3 CA

3 CL

1 CV

7 DD

1 CM

2 XAR

1 Survey Ship

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III.

Mandated Islands Base Defense Forces

Location:

1.	3rd Base Force	4 XPG	Palau
		4 SS	Home waters
		AP & AK*	Palau
2.	4th Base Force	AP & AK*	Truk
3.	5th Base Force	2 CM	Saipan
		AP & AK*	
4.	6th Base Force	1 CM	Jaluit, except one
		4 XAM	detachment of un-
		3 PC	known composition
	* Total of	AP & AK	at Wake
5.	7th Base Force	Miscellaneous craft	Chichijima
6.	8th Base Force	8 XPG	Rabaul. Some XPG
		Miscellaneous	have returned home
			waters

IV.

Sixth Fleet (Submarine Fleet)

Composition:
KATORI (Flag)

Location:

	1 CL	Operating to east-
		ward of Yokosuka
<u>Subron 1</u>	1 AS	Operating from Yoko-
	7 SS	suka
<u>Subron 3</u>	1 AS *	Kure-Yokosuka area
	7 SS	
<u>Subron 7</u>	1 XAS	May be Chinkai area
	9 SS	
<u>Subron 8</u>	1 AS	May have departed
	8 SS	Sasebo for Southwest
		theater

* Three additional XAS are reported at Kure.

SUMMARY

1 CL
3 AS
1 XAS
27 SS

4 SS of total of 31 enumerated above are considered sunk.

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V.

Fifth Fleet

Composition:

NACHI (F)
TAMA
SHIRIYA

1 CA
1 CL
1 AO

Location:
Operating off east coast of Honshu.

Minron 2
Mindiv 3
" 4

8 DM Home waters

Northern Detachment

Northern home waters

Patron 1
MIZUHO

Patron 2
KOOWA MARU

Patron 3
RAMON MARU

1AV, 14-17 XAV & XCL

SUMMARY

1 CA
1 CL
1 AO
8 DM
1 AV

14-17 XAV & XCL

VI.

Second Fleet

CA - TAKAO - Flagship of CinC, 2nd Fleet

Penang.

Composition

Batdiv 3
KIRISHIMA
KONGO
FUSO

3 BB

Location:

1 BB probably arrived Sasebo.

Fuso may be operating in Bay of Bengal. Remaining BB may be under repairs in home yard or in Malay-N.E.I. area.

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Second Fleet (continued)

<u>Composition:</u>	<u>Location:</u>
<u>Cardiv 1</u> AKAGI (F) KAGA Desdiv	Believed in Bay of Bengal At Sasebo. 2 CV, 4 DD
<u>Cardiv 2</u> SORYU (F) HIRYU Desdiv 23	Staring Bay 2 CV, 4 DD
<u>Cardiv 3 **</u> RYUJO NITTA MARU Desdiv 17	Malay area Home waters. 1 CV, 1 XCV, 3 DD
<u>Crudiv 5</u> MYOKO HAGURO	May have gone south to Malay area. 2 CA
<u>Crudiv 7</u> KUMANO (F) MOGAMI MIKUMA SUZUYA	Operating Bay of Bengal * 3 CA
<u>Crudiv 8</u> TONE	1 CA Takao
<u>Desron 1</u> ABUKUMA (F) Desdiv 6 " 21 " 27	Part or all of squadron at Sasebo 1 CL, 12 DD
<u>Desron 2</u> JINTSU (F) Desdiv 8) " 15) " 16) " 18)	Kure Divided up in home yards, but one unit may be in Saipan area. 1 CL, 16 DD
<u>Desron 4</u> KITAGAMI (F) Desdiv 2 " 9 " 24	Philippine waters. Sasebo Philippine waters. 1 CL, 12 DD Malay waters

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VI.

Second Fleet (continued)

Composition:

Location:

Subron 2
KOMABASHI (F)
Subdiv 3
" 5

1 AS, 6 SS

Operating in Indian Ocean
from base at Penang.

Subron 4
YURA (F)
TAKASAKI
Subdiv 28
" 29
" 30

1 CL, 1 AS, 8 SS

Operating in Indian Ocean
from Penang, except one unit
in home waters.

Subron 5
KINU (F)
Subdiv 9
" 13

1 CL, 4 SS

Operating in Indian Ocean from
Penang, except two units at Sasebo.

Subron 6
ISUZU (F)
KARASAKI
Subdiv 18
" 19
" 21

1 CL, 1 AS, 8 SS

Arrived Kure about 4/4

One division in Truk area;
remainder in home waters.

9th Base Force

Composition unknown Kota Bharu

10th Base Force

" " Penang

* 1 CA of Cruidiv 7 is considered lost.

** There are indications of a new carrier, RYUKAKU, which may be assigned Cardiv 3.

SUMMARY

3 BB
5 CV
7 CA
4 CL
49 DD
3 AS
21 SS
1 XCV

2 CL out of total of 6 enumerated in composition are considered lost.
5 SS " " " " 26 " " " " " "
2 DD " " " " 51 " " " " " "

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Third FleetComposition:ASHIGARA (Flag)
HIYEIDesron 3

SENDAI

Desdiv 11

" 12

" 19

" 20

Desron 5

NATORI (F)

Desdiv 5 }

" 22 }

" 34 }

Minron 3

Mindiv 5

" 6

1st Base Force

NAGARA (F)

Mindiv }

Mindivs 1 & 21 }

Gunboat Div 1

Subchaser Divs 1, 11, 21, 31

Miscellaneous

2nd Base Force

NAKA (F)

Mindiv 17

31st Base Force32nd Base Force

1 CA

1 BB

1 CL, 15 DD

1 CL, 11 DD

8 DM

1 CL

3 CM

11 AM

6 XPG }

12 PC }

1 CL

3 CM

Unknown

SUMMARY

1 BB

1 CA

2 CL*

26 DD

6 CM

8 DM

11 AM

6 XPG

12 PC

Locations:

Vicinity Davao

Formosa

Malay area except one unit at
Yokosuka

Bay of Bengal

Moulmein

West coast of Luzon

Enroute Maizuru

Mindivs on West coast of
Luzon

N.E.I. area

West coast of Luzon

" " " "

Celebes-Davao area

Davao area

* 2 CL out of total of 4 enumerated in composition are considered lost.

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VIII.

Southern Expeditionary Fleet

Composition:

Location

CHOKAI (F)	1 CA	Anambas Islands
KASHII	1 CL	Penang area
SHIMUSHU	1 CM	Penang area
Desdiv 7	4 DD	Yokosuka

SUMMARY

1 CA
1 CL
1 CM
4 DD

IX.

Combined Air Force

Comdr, Combined Air Force

Moulmein, Burma

Airon 6

KAMIKAWA MARU

FUJIKAWA MARU

KENJO MARU

3 XAV

Saipan area
Kwajalein, Marshalls
Possibly returning Yokosuka.

Airon 7

CHITOSE

CHIYODA

2 AV

Between Saipan and Marshalls
Home Waters

Airon 10

SOUYOU MARU

Doubtful. May be NEI area.

3 XAV

Airon 11

NISSHIN

NEI-Penang area

1 AV , 2 XAV

Airon 22

Bay of Bengal

3 XAV

Airon 23

Off N.W. New Guinea

3 XAV

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IX.

Combined Air Force (continued)

Composition:

Location:

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KAMOI
NOTORO
KIYOZUMI MARU
GOSHU MARU

Marshall Islands
Palau area
Kwajalein, Marshalls
Marshalls

2 AV, 2 XAV

Airon 25

Unknown

3 XAV

Airon 26

Possibly in Mandates

3 XAV

SUMMARY

5 AV
22 XAV

X.

1st China Expeditionary Fleet
and China Fleets Command Unit

Vicinity of Shanghai
and Yangtze River

IZUMO (Fleet Flag) 1 OCA
Desdiv 26 3 DD
Gunboat Div 4 PG
Patdiv 11 10 PR

2nd China Expeditionary Fleet

HASHIDATE 1 PG Hongkong
Minron 1 1 PG, 3AM Flagship at Sama, Hainan
One AM at Maizuru
Torpddiv 1 4 TB East coast of China.

3rd China Expeditionary Fleet

Gulf of Pechili

1 OCA
Torpddiv 11 4 TB
Torpddiv 21 4 TB
1 DD
3 AM

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Fleet Train

.. Since so many merchant vessels are now employed to augment the Fleet Train, it is impossible to give a complete list.

In the below given summary of Navy listed train vessels, the only ones whose positions are known follow:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>Location</u>
AKASHI (AR)	In S.W. waters
HAYATOMO (AO)	Enroute Kure
NARUTO (AO)	Probably in home waters

SUMMARY

8 AO
2 AF
2 AC
2 AR
3 ARS

Home Waters

(Defense Squadrons or Unassigned)

1 BB (HARUNA - under repairs)
4 OCA
2 OCL
7 DD
9 SS
2 AS
4 DM
1 Target Ship
2 Training Ships
1 Ice Breaker

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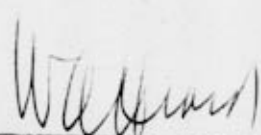
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MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: German Fleet Disposition.

Ship		Location	Last Reported Date
Type	Name		
BB	TIRPITZ	Trondheim - Aasfjord	March 28, 1942
BB	SCHARNHORST	Kiel	March 29, 1942
BB	GNEISENAU	Kiel	March 29, 1942
OBB	SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN	Gdynia	March 3, 1942
OBB	SCHLESSEN	Off Gjedser	Feb. 16, 1942
CV	GRAF ZEPPELIN	Gdynia	March 3, 1942
CA	ADMIRAL SCHEER (1)	Kiel	March 29, 1942
CA	LUETZOW	Swinemuende	March 22, 1942
CA	SEYDLITZ	Bremen	March 2, 1942
CA	PRINZ EUGEN	Trondheim, Lofjord	March 20, 1942
CA	ADMIRAL HIPPER (2)	Trondheim Fjord	March 28, 1942
CL	NUERNBERG	Kiel	March 29, 1942
CL	LEIPZIG	Swinemuende	March 22, 1942
CL	KOELN	Wilhelmshaven	March 13, 1942
CL	EMDEN	Gdynia	March 3, 1942
DD's	5 Units (3)	Trondheim	Feb. 24, 1942
	6 Units	North Sea	Feb. 17, 1942
	4 Units	Kiel	Feb. 17, 1942
	2 Units	Baltic	Feb. 17, 1942
SS's	108 Units * (4)	Atlantic, N.Sea, Baltic Bases	March 29, 1942
	32 Units	Atlantic	March 29, 1942
	65 Units *	Trials/Training, Baltic	March 29, 1942
	30 Units	Mediterranean	Jan. 4, 1942
	5 Units	Black Sea	March 3, 1942
240 Total *			

* Estimated

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- NOTES: (1) Previously reported Trondheim, March 20, 1942.
- (2) Previously reported off Bergen, March 20, 1942.
- (3) Destroyers, numbers unknown, engaged a convoy bound for Murmansk 78 miles Northeast of North Cape, Norway, March 28 and March 29. Germany admits loss of one destroyer.
- (4) Previously reported:
- | | | |
|-------------|-------------------------------|------------------|
| SS's | | |
| 108 Units * | Atlantic, N.Sea, Baltic Bases | March 23, 1942. |
| 36 Units | Atlantic | March 23, 1942. |
| 61 Units | Trials/Training, Baltic | March 23, 1942. |
| 30 Units | Mediterranean | January 4, 1942. |
| 5 Units | Black Sea | March 3, 1942. |
| 240 Total * | | |

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DISPOSITION OF ITALIAN FLEET

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
BB	VITTORIO VENETO (1)	Taranto (damaged)	February 13, 1942
BB	LITTORIO (1)	" (repairing)	March 24, 1942
BB	CESARE	"	February 26, 1942
BB	DUILIO	"	February 26, 1942
BB	DORIA	"	February 26, 1942
CL's	5 Units	" (1 repairing)	February 26, 1942
CVS	MIRAGLIA	"	February 27, 1942
DD's	15 Units	"	February 26, 1942
SS's	14 Units	"	February 10, 1942
CA's	2 Units	Messina	March 24, 1942
CL's	1 Unit	"	February 27, 1942
DD's	11 Units	"	February 27, 1942
SS's	6 Units	"	February 27, 1942
CA's	1 Unit	Genoa (repairing)	March 12, 1942
OBM	1 Unit	" (harbor defense)	June, 1941
DD's	2 Units (*)	" (repairing)	January 18, 1942
SS's	1 Unit	" (repairing)	January 5, 1942
CA's	1 Unit	La Spezia (repairing)	January 11, 1942
SS's	5 Units	" "	December 31, 1941
CL's	2 Units	Naples	February 27, 1942
DD's	10 Units	" (8 repairing)	February 27, 1942
SS's	2 Units	" (repairing)	January 31, 1942
DD's	2 Units	Anzio-Nettuno	August 12, 1941
DD's	10 Units	Palermo	March 2, 1942
DD's	2 Units	Trapani	February 27, 1942
SS's	2 Units	"	February 27, 1942
DD's	3 Units	Augusta	December 31, 1941
SS's	5 Units	"	December 31, 1941
SS's	4 Units	Cagliari	December 31, 1941
SS's	6 Units	Brindisi	December 31, 1941

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Disposition of Italian Fleet (cont'd)

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
OCL	1 Unit	Pola (Navy Yd. Depot Ship)	June, 1941
OCL	1 Unit	Ancona	January 7, 1941
DD's	14 Units	N. Aegean & Dodecanese Is.	February 20, 1942
SS's	13 Units	" " "	" February 20, 1942
SS's	6 Units (2)	Bordeaux	February 20, 1942
DD's	6 Units	Tripoli	February 10, 1942
BB	CAVOUR	Unknown	
CL's	1 Unit	Unknown	
DD's	9 Units (*)	Unknown	
OCL	1 Unit (Ex-Yugoslav)	Teodo	October 15, 1941
SS	3 Units " "	"	October 15, 1941

(*) Indicates change from last report.

- (1) The VITTORIO VENETO, 2 CA's, 2 CL's and a number of destroyers participated in a naval action with a British naval convoy escort on March 22nd. The VITTORIO VENETO was reported as having received one certain and one possible torpedo hits. It is believed that the BB previously reported repairing in drydock must have been the LITTORIO instead of the VITTORIO VENETO.
- (2) Of the six submarines at Bordeaux, three or more are believed to be at sea.

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DISPOSITION OF FRENCH (VICHY) FLEET

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
BB	DUNKERQUE (damaged)	Toulon	March 26, 1942 (1)
BB	STRASBOURG	"	February 21, 1942
OBB	PROVENCE	"	February 21, 1942
CA	4 Units	"	February 15, 1942
CL	3 Units	"	February 15, 1942
DL	16 Units	"	February 15, 1942 (2)
DD	13 Units	"	February 15, 1942 (3)
SS	11 Units	"	February 15, 1942 (4)
DD	2 Units	Oran	March 20, 1942 (5)
SS	6 Units (*)	"	March 20, 1942
DD	6 Units	Bizerte	January 14, 1942
SS	12 Units	"	December 8, 1941
BB	JEAN BART (incomplete)	Casablanca	March 24, 1942 (6)
CL	1 Unit	"	March 24, 1942
DL	3 Units	"	March 24, 1942 (7)
DD	3 Units	"	March 24, 1942
SS	7 Units (*)	"	March 24, 1942 (4)
BB	RICHELIEU (damaged)	Dakar	March 15, 1942
CL	3 Units	"	January 12, 1942
DL	3 Units	"	February 15, 1942
SS	8 Units	"	March 2, 1942
SS	4 Units	Madagascar	March 17, 1942
CV	BEARN	Martinique	February 25, 1942
CL	1 Unit	"	March 28, 1942 (8)
CL	1 Unit	Guadeloupe	January 23, 1942
CL	1 Unit	Saigon	February 15, 1942
DL	3 Units	Unknown	February 6, 1942
DD	4 Units	"	February 2, 1942
SS	13 Units (*)	"	February 25, 1942 (4)

(*) Denotes changes since March 24th report.

(1) In drydock at La Seyne. Due shortage materials and lack of facilities, may take two years to complete repairs.

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- (2) Recent Vichy report states MOGADOR, damaged at Mers-el-Kebir, requires 6-12 months to repair.
- (3) Recent Vichy report states two of these vessels 85% completed, one vessel 65% completed; no further work permitted by Italian Commission.
- (4) Three SS's departing Casablanca March 22nd are understood to be going to Toulon for repairs. Carried as unreported.
- (5) FOUQUEUSE undergoing repairs.
- (6) Work being done on forward turret.
- (7) Recent Vichy report states L'AUDACIEUX, damaged at Dakar, is beyond profitable repair.
- (8) EMILE BERTIN to depart March 30th for Saintes; returns to Fort-de-France April 7th.

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DISPOSITION OF FREE FRENCH (BRITISH) FLEET

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
OBB	COURBET	Portsmouth	March 25, 1941
DD	3 Units	"	March 25, 1941
SS	2 Units	"	February 9, 1942
OBB	PARIS	Plymouth	March 25, 1942
DD	2 Units	"	March 25, 1942
SS	1 Unit	"	February 9, 1942
SS	1 Unit	Swansea	February 9, 1942
DL	1 Unit	Humber	February 9, 1942
DD	1 Unit	Harwich	February 9, 1942
SS	2 Units	Dundee	February 9, 1942
DL	1 Unit	Sydney	March 23, 1942
DD	1 Unit	Simonstown	February 28, 1942

Immobilized French Vessels

BB	LORRAINE	Alexandria	February 25, 1942
CA	3 Units	"	February 25, 1942
CL	1 Unit	"	February 25, 1942
DD	3 Units	"	February 25, 1942
SS	1 Unit	"	February 25, 1942

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MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Japanese Fleet Locations.

The below listed locations of Japanese naval forces are estimates based on the best available information, including some sight contacts which are so noted. It is believed that this forms a fair general approximation.

Combined Fleet

Location

BB - YAMATO - Flag of C-in-C, Combined Fleet Uncertain. Believed in Mandates.

I.

First Fleet

Composition:

Batdiv 1

Batdiv 2

Bonin Islands-Yokosuka area

NAGATO (F)
MUTSU
YAMASHIRO

HYUGA
ISE

5 BB

Cardiv 4

Bonin Islands - Yokosuka area

KORYU (F)
KASUGA
Desdiv

2 CV, 4 DD

Cardiv 5

Staring Bay, S.E. Celebes

ZUIKAKU (F)
SHOKAKU
Desdiv 3

2 CV, 4 DD

Crudiv 4

ATAGO (F)
MAYA

2 CA

Port repair trials, Yokosuka
Bonin Islands-Yokosuka area

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I.

First Fleet (Continued)

Composition:

Location:

Desron
KUMA (F)
Desdiv
"
"

Bonin Islands-Yokosuka area

1 CL, 12 DD

SUMMARY

5 BB / 1 BB (Combined Fleet flag)
4 CV
1 CL
2 CA
20 DD

II.

Fourth Fleet

Cruidiv 18 **

KASHIMA, flag of CinC 4th Fleet -
TENRYU)
TATSUTA)

In Truk area or northern waters
New Britain area

* 2 CL

Cruidiv 6

AOBA
KINUGASA
KAKO
FURUTAKA

Vicinity Greenwich Island

* 3 CA

HOSHO

1 CV

Truk area

Desron 6 **

CL - YUBARI
Desdiv 29
" 30

New Britain, except a few units
which have returned home yards
for overhaul

1 CL, 7 DD

Repair & Salvage

2 XAR

Probably Palau

Miscellaneous

1 CM, 1 Survey Ship

Mandates

* 1 CL from Cruidiv 18, 1 CA from Cruidiv 6 considered lost

**Sighted at Rabaul 3/28 - 3 cruisers, 5 DD, 1 AV, 1 landing boat carrier, 17 merchantmen, 3 small craft.

SUMMARY

3 CA
3 CL
1 CV
7 DD
1 CM
2 XAR
1 Survey Ship

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III.

	<u>Mandated Islands Base Defense Forces</u>		<u>Location</u>
1.	3rd Base Force	4 XPG 4 SS AP & AK*	Palau
2.	4th Base Force	AP & AK*	Truk
3.	5th Base Force	2 CM AP & AK*	Saipan
4.	6th Base Force	1 CM 4 XAM 3 PC	Jaluit, except one detachment of unknown composition at Wake
	* Total of	AP & AK	
5.	7th Base Force	Miscellaneous craft	Chichijima
6.	8th Base Force	8 XPG Miscellaneous	Rabaul. Some XPG have returned home waters.

IV.

Sixth Fleet (Submarine Fleet)

Composition:
KATORI (Flag)

Location
Operating to eastward of Yokosuka

Subron 1

1 AS
7 SS /

Operating from Yokosuka

Subron 3

1 AS *
7 SS /

Kure-Yokosuka area

Subron 7

1 XAS
9 SS /

At Sasebo less 2 units

Subron 8

1 AS
8 SS

Sasebo

* Three additional XAS are reported at Kure.

SUMMARY

1 CL
2 AS
1 XAS
27 SS

/ 4 SS of total of 31 enumerated above are considered sunk.

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V.

Fifth Fleet

Composition:

NACHI (F)
TAMA
SHIRIYA

1 CA
1 CL
1 AO

Location
Operating off East coast of
Honshu

Minron 2

Mindiv 3

" 4

8 DM

Home Waters

Northern Detachment

Patron 1
MIZUHO

Northern home waters

Patron 2

KOOWA MARU

Patron 3

RAMON MARU

1 AV, 14-17 XAV & XCL

SUMMARY

1 CA
1 CL
1 AO
8 DM
1 AV

14-17 XAV & XCL

VI.

Second Fleet

CA - TAKAO - flagship of CinC, 2nd Fleet

Seigon

Composition:

Batdiv 3
KIRISHIMA
KONGO
FUSO

3 BB

Location

1 BB Enroute Sasebo
Remainder in NEI-Malay area or
under repairs in home yards.

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VI.

Second Fleet (continued)

Composition:

Location:

Cardiv 1
AKAGI (F)
KAGA
Desdiv

2 CV, 4 DD

Uncertain. Possibly Malay area
Sasebo or at Tateyama Air Station

Cardiv 2
SORYU (F)
HIRYU
Desdiv 23

2 CV, 4 DD

Starling Bay

Cardiv 3
RYUJO
NITTA MARU
Desdiv 17

1 CV, 1 XCV, 4 DD

Malay area
Believed Malay area

Crudiv 5
MYOKO
HAGURO

2 CA

Sasebo

Crudiv 7
KUMANO (F)
MOGAMI
MIKUMA
SUZUYA

* 3 CA

Enroute Jaluit

Andaman Islands area

Crudiv 8
TONE

1 CA Takao

Desron 1
ABUKUMA (F)
Desdiv 6
" 21
" 27

1 CL, 12 DD

One desdiv at Sasebo.
Remainder in NEI-Malay area

Desron 2
JINTSU (F)
Desdiv 8
" 15
" 16
" 18

1 CL, 16 DD

Kure
One desdiv at Kure, one at Sasebo,
one at Takao, and one in NEI-Malay
area

Desron 4
KITAGAMI (F)
Desdiv 2
" 9
" 24

1 CL, 12 DD

Sasebo
Philippine waters

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VI.

Second Fleet (continued)

COMPOSITION

Location:

Subron 2
KOMABASHI (F)
Subdiv 3
" 5

1 AS, 6 SS

Operating in Indian Ocean
from base at Penang.

Subron 4
YURA (F)
TAKASAKI
Subdiv 28
" 29
" 30

1 CL, 1 AS, 8 SS Operating in Indian Ocean
from Penang, except one
unit in home waters.

Subron 5
KINU (F)
Subdiv 9
" 13

1 CL, 4 SS

Operating in Indian Ocean
from Penang, except two
units enroute to or at
Sasebo.

Subron 6
KARASAKI (F)
Subdiv 18
" 19
" 21

1 AS, 8 SS

All or portion of this
squadron enroute Kure.

9th Base Force -

Composition unknown Kota Bharu

10th Base Force

" " Penang.

* 1 CA of Crudiv 7 is considered lost.

SUMMARY

3 BB
5 CV
7 CA
3 CL
50 DD
3 AS
21 SS
1 XCV

2 CL out of total of 5 enumerated in composition are considered lost.
5 SS " " " " 26 " " " " " "
2 DD " " " " 52 " " " " " "

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VII. Third Fleet

<u>Composition</u>		<u>Locations</u>
ASHIGARA (Flag)	1 CA	Banten Bay, N.W. Java
HIYEI	1 BB	Enroute southern waters
<u>Desron 3</u>		
SENDAI		
Desdiv 11		NEI area except one unit
" 12		enroute Yokosuka
" 19	1 CL, 15 DD	
" 20		
<u>Desron 5</u>		
NATORI (F)		Saigon
Desdiv 5(		Penang-Andaman Islands area
" 22(	1 CL, 11 DD	Banten Bay, N.W. Java
" 34		
<u>Minron 3</u>		
Mindiv 5		West Coast of Luzon
" 6	8 DM	
<u>1st Base Force</u>		
NAGARA (F)	1 CL	Banten Bay, N.W. Java
Mindiv	3 CM	except Mindivs on West
Mindivs 1 & 21	11 AM	Coast of Luzon.
Gunboat Div 1	6 XPG	
Subchaser Bins 1,11,21,31	12 PC	
Miscellaneous		
<u>2nd Base Force</u>		
NAKA (F)	1 CL	West Coast of Luzon
Mindiv 17	3 CM	" " " "
<u>23rd Base Force</u>	Unknown	N.E.I. area
<u>31st Base Force</u>	"	" "

SUMMARY

1 BB
1 CA
3 CL*
26 DD
6 CM
8 DM
11 AM
6 XPG
12 PC

* 1 CL out of total of 4 enumerated in composition is considered lost.

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Combined Air Force (continued)

Composition:

Location:

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KAMO I
 NOTORO
 KIYOZUMI MARU
 GOSHU MARU

2 AV, 2 XAV

South of Truk
 Palau area
 Kwajalein, Marshalls
 Mandates

Airon 25

Unknown

3 XAV

Airon 26

Possibly in Mandates

3 XAV

SUMMARY

5 AV
 22 XAV

X.

1st China Expeditionary Fleet
 and China Fleets Command Unit

Vicinity of Shanghai
 and Yangtze River

IZUMO (Fleet Flag) 1 OCA
 Desdiv 26 3 DD
 Gunboat Div. 4 PG
 Patdiv 11 10 PR

2nd China Expeditionary Fleet

HASHIDATE	1 PG	Hongkong
ISUZU	1 CL	Hongkong
Minron 1	1 PG, 3 AM	West coast of Luzon except one vessel at Maizuru
Torpddiv 1	4 TB	East coast of China

3rd China Expeditionary Fleet

Gulf of Pechili

	1 OCA
Torpddiv 11	4 TB
Torpddiv 21	4 TB
	1 DD
	3 AM

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Fleet Train

Since so many merchant vessels are now employed to augment the Fleet Train, it is impossible to give a complete list.

In the below given summary of Navy listed train vessels, the only ones whose positions are known follow:

NAME
AKASHI (AR)
HAYATOMO (AO)
NARUTO (AO)

Location
Moving south from Philippines
Enroute Davao
Bonin Islands-Yokosuka area

SUMMARY

8 AO
2 AF
2 AC
2 AR
3 ARS

Home Waters
(Defense Squadrons or Unassigned)

1 BB (HARUNA - under repairs)
4 OCA
2 OCL
7 DD
9 SS
2 AS
4 DM
1 Target Ship
2 Training ships
1 Ice Breaker

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SUBJECT: Russian Navy - Strength and Disposition.

Baltic Fleet:

1 CA
3 DL
19 DD (1 badly damaged)
2 ODD (1 badly damaged)
70 SS

Arctic Fleet:

14 DD
4 ODD
24 SS

Black Sea Fleet:

1 ODD (PARISHKAYA KOMMUNA)
3 CA (2 badly damaged)
1 CL
2 DL
20 DD (3 badly damaged)
7 ODD
39 SS

Pacific Fleet:

2 DL
14 DD
3 ODD
102 SS

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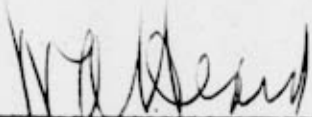
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SUBJECT: German Fleet Disposition

Type	Ship Name	Location	Last Reported Date
BB	TIRPITZ (1)	Trondheim, Aasfjord	March 20, 1942
BB	SCHARNHORST	Kiel	March 22, 1942
BB	GNEISENAU	Kiel	March 13, 1942
OB	SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN	Gdynia	March 3, 1942
OB	SCHLESSEN	Off Gjedser	February 16, 1942
CV	GRAF ZEPPELIN	Gdynia	March 3, 1942
CA	ADMIRAL SCHEER	Trondheim, Lofjord	March 20, 1942
CA	LUETZOW	Swinemuende	March 22, 1942
CA	SEYDLITZ	Bremen	March 2, 1942
CA	PRINZ EUGEN	Trondheim, Lofjord	March 20, 1942
CA	ADMIRAL HIPPER (2)	Off Bergen	March 20, 1942
CL	NUERNBERG	Kiel	March 22, 1942
CL	LEIPZIG (3)	Swinemuende	March 22, 1942
CL	KOELN	Wilhelmsaven	March 13, 1942
CL	EMDEN	Gdynia	March 3, 1942
DD's (4)	5 Units	Trondheim	February 24, 1942
	6 Units	North Sea	February 17, 1942
	4 Units	Kiel	February 17, 1942
	2 Units	Baltic	February 17, 1942
SS's (5)	108 Units *	Atlantic, N. Sea, Baltic Bases	March 23, 1942
	36 Units	Atlantic	March 23, 1942
	61 Units *	Trials/Training, Baltic	March 23, 1942
	30 Units	Mediterranean	January 4, 1942
	5 Units	Black Sea	March 3, 1942
	240 Total *		

*Estimated

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German Fleet Disposition

- NOTES:
- (1) Previously reported Norwegian Sea, March 9, 1942.
 - (2) Previously reported Hamburg, March 13, 1942.
 - (3) Previously reported Gdynia, March 3, 1942.
 - (4) Three DD's and one TB were escorting HIPPER off Bergen, March 20, 1942.
 - (5) Previously reported:

SS's		
98 Units *	Atlantic, N. Sea, Baltic Bases	March 16, 1942
41 Units	Operating in Atlantic	March 16, 1942
61 Units*	Trials/Training, Baltic	March 16, 1942
30 Units	Mediterranean	January 4, 1942
5 Units	Black Sea	March 3, 1942
<u>235</u> Total *		

*Estimated

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DISPOSITION OF ITALIAN FLEET

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
BB	VITTORIO VENETO	Taranto (repairing in drydock)	February 13, 1942
BB	LITTORIO	"	February 26, 1942
BB	CESARE	"	February 26, 1942
BB	DUILIO	"	February 26, 1942
BB	DORIA	"	February 26, 1942
CL's	5 Units	" (1 repairing in floating dock)	February 26, 1942
CVS	MIRAGLIA	"	February 27, 1942
DD's	15 Units	"	February 26, 1942
SS's	14 Units (*) (1)	"	February 10, 1942
CA's	2 Units	Messina	February 27, 1942
CL's	1 Unit	"	February 27, 1942
DD's	11 Units (*)	"	February 27, 1942
SS's	6 Units (*)	"	February 27, 1942
CA's	1 Unit	Genoa (repairing)	March 12, 1942
OEM	1 Unit	" (harbor defense)	June, 1941
DD's	4 Units	" (repairing)	December 13, 1941
SS's	1 Unit	" (repairing)	January 5, 1942
CA's	1 Unit	La Spezia (repairing)	January 11, 1942
SS's	5 Units	"	December 31, 1941
CL's	2 Units (*)	Naples	February 27, 1942
DD's	10 Units (*)	" (8 repairing)	February 27, 1942
SS's	2 Units	" (repairing)	January 31, 1942
DD's	2 Units	Anzio-Nettuno	August 12, 1941
DD's	10 Units (*)	Palermo	March 2, 1942
DD's	2 Units (*)	Trapani	February 27, 1942
SS's	2 Units	"	February 27, 1942
DD's	3 Units	Augusta	December 31, 1941
SS's	5 Units	"	December 31, 1941
SS's	4 Units	Cagliari	December 31, 1941

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Disposition of Italian Fleet (cont'd)

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
SS's	6 Units	Brindisi	December 31, 1941
OCL	1 Unit	Depot Pola (Navy Yd. Ship)	June 1941
OCL	1 Unit	Ancona	January 7, 1941
CL's	0 Units (*)	N. Aegean & Dodecanese Is.	February 27, 1942
DD's	14 Units	" " " "	February 20, 1942
SS's	13 Units	" " " "	February 20, 1942
SS's	6 Units (2)	Bordeaux	January 7, 1942
DD's	6 Units	Tripoli	February 10, 1942
BB	CAVOUR	Unknown	
CL's	1 Unit (*) (3)	Unknown	
DD's	7 Units (*) (3)	Unknown	
SS's	0 Units (*)	Unknown	
OCL	1 Unit (Ex-Yugoslav)	Teodo	October 15, 1941
SS's	3 Units " "	"	October 15, 1941

(*) Indicates change from last report.

- (1) Two Italian submarines were sunk in the Mediterranean during the past week and it is assumed that they were operating from Taranto.
- (2) Of the six submarines at Bordeaux, three or more are believed to be at sea.
- (3) One CL and two DD's listed at Naples were sighted leaving that port on February 27, 1942.

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DISPOSITION OF FRENCH (VICHY) FLEET

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE	
BB	DUNKERQUE (damaged)	Toulon	March 12, 1942	
BB	STRASBOURG	"	February 21, 1942	
OBB	PROVENCE	"	February 21, 1942	
CA	4 Units	"	February 21, 1942	
CL	3 Units	"	August 15, 1941	
DL	16 Units	"	August 15, 1941	
DD	13 Units	"	August 15, 1941	
SS	11 Units	"	August 15, 1941	
DD	2 Units	Oran	March 13, 1942	
SS	4 Units	"	March 13, 1942	
DD	6 Units	Bizerte	January 14, 1942	
SS	12 Units	"	December 8, 1941	
BB	JEAN BART (incomplete)	Casablanca	March 20, 1942	(1)
CL	1 Unit	"	March 16, 1942	
DL	3 Units	"	March 16, 1942	
DD	3 Units	"	March 16, 1942	
SS	11 Units (*)	"	March 16, 1942	
BB	RICHELIEU (damaged)	Dakar	March 5, 1942	
CL	3 Units	"	January 12, 1942	
DL	3 Units	"	January 28, 1942	
SS	8 Units (*)	"	March 2, 1942	
SS	4 Units (*)	Madagascar	March 17, 1942	(2)(3)
CV	BEARN	Martinique	February 25, 1942	
CL	1 Unit	"	March 11, 1942	
CL	1 Unit	Guadeloupe	January 23, 1942	
CL	1 Unit	Saigon	October 13, 1941	
DL	3 Units	Unknown	February 6, 1942	
DD	4 Units	"	February 2, 1942	
SS	11 Units (*)	"	February 25, 1942	

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Disposition of French (Vichy) Fleet (continued)

- (1) Cases containing parts, radio equipment and small machinery being loaded aboard JEAN BART on March 20, 1942.
- (2) Unnamed SS arrived Tamatave March 17, 1942. Probably BEVEZIER which departed Dakar February 11, 1942, for Madagascar.
- (3) Air reconnaissance from Aden February 27, 1942, reports 1 SS had departed Djibouti. Probably 1 of SS's based on Madagascar.

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DISPOSITION OF FREE FRENCH (BRITISH) FLEET

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
OBS	COURBET	Portsmouth	March 25, 1941
DD	3 Units	"	March 25, 1941
SS	2 Units	"	February 9, 1942
OBS	PARIS	Plymouth	March 25, 1941
DD	2 Units	"	March 25, 1941
SS	1 Unit	"	February 9, 1942
SS	1 Unit	Swansea	February 9, 1942
DL	1 Unit	Humber	February 9, 1942
DD	1 Unit	Harwich	February 9, 1942
SS	2 Units	Dundee	February 9, 1942
DL	1 Unit (*)	Sydney (?)	March 16, 1942 (1)
DD	1 Unit	Simonstown	February 28, 1942
SS	1 Unit	Unknown	February 18, 1942 (2)

(*) Denotes change since March 17th report.

(1) LE TRIOMPHANT, previously carried at Brisbane, reported refitting, probably at Sydney.

(2) SURCOUF must now be considered lost; will henceforth not be carried.

Immobilized French Vessels

BB	LORHAYNE	Alexandria	December 17, 1941
CA	3 Units	"	December 17, 1941
CL	1 Unit	"	December 17, 1941
DD	3 Units	"	December 17, 1941
SS	1 Unit	"	December 17, 1941

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SUBJECT: Japanese Fleet Locations.

The below listed locations of Japanese naval forces are estimates based on the best available information, including some sight contacts which are so noted. It is believed that this forms a fair general approximation.

Combined Fleet

Location

BB - YAMATO - Flag of CinC Combined Fleet

Uncertain. Believed in Mandates.

I. First Fleet

Composition:

Batdiv 1

Batdiv 2

Bonin Islands-Yokosuka area

NAGATO (F)
MUTSU
YAMASHIRO

HYUGA
ISE

5 BB

Batdiv 3 *

HIYEI
KIRISHIMA
KONGO
FUSO
HARUNA

Arrived Chichijima, Bonins 3/18

N.E.I. - Malay area

4 BB }

Under repairs in home yard

Cardiv 1

AKAGI (F)
KAGA

2 CV, 4 DD

N.E.I. Malay area
Arrived Sasebo 3/21 for repairs
One unidentified unit has operated out of Marshalls.

Cardiv 4

KORYU
KASUGA

2 CV, 4 DD

Bonin Islands-Yokosuka area

Cardiv 5

ZUIKAKU
SHOKAKU

2 CV, 4 DD

Staring Bay, S.E. Celebes

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I. First Fleet (Continued)

Composition:

Location:

Crudiv 5

MYOKO
HAGURO
NACHI

3 CA

Arrived Sasebo 3/20

At Palau

Crudiv 6

AOBA
KINUGASA

** 1 CA

New Britain

Crudiv 8 ***

TONE

1 CA

N.E.I.-Malay area

Desron 1

ABUKUMA

1 CL

N.E.I.-Malay area

Desdiv 6

" 21

12 DD

" 27

Desron 3

SENDAI

1 CL

Gulf of Davao

Desdiv 11

" 12

" 19

" 20

15 DD

Desron ****

12 DD

Bonin Islands-Yokosuka area

SUMMARY

10 BB

6 CV

5 CA

2 CL

51 DD

* Tentative assignment. HARUNA, previously considered lost, now believed under repairs.

**One CA of Crudiv 6 is believed to have been sunk on 3/11

***CHIKUMA of Crudiv 8 is believed to have been sunk on 3/11

**** A newly organized Desron.

II. Fourth Fleet

Composition:

Location

Crudiv 18*

3 CL

New Britain area

Desron 6*

1 CL

New Britain area

** 7 DD

Subron 9

1 AS

Marshalls

9 SS

Miscellaneous -

* Sighted at Rabaul on 3/21-2 cruisers, several DD

**1 DD of this squadron was lost.

Mostly at Truk

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3 CL
 7 DD
 1 AS
 9 SS
 1 CM
 8 XPG
 1 Survey Ship
 2 XAR

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III. Mandated Islands Base Defense ForcesLocation

1. 3rd Base Force	4 XPG 4 SS AP & AK*	Palau
2. 4th Base Force	AP & AK*	Truk
3. 5th Base Force	2 CM 3 XPG AP & AK*	Saipan, except Gunboat Div 18 in New Britain area.
4. 6th Base Force	1 CM 4 XAM 3 PC AP & AK	Jaluit, except one detach- ment of unknown composition at Wake
* Total of		
5. 7th Base Force	Miscellaneous craft	Chichijima
6. 8th Base Force	Portion of an air group	Rabaul

IV. Sixth Fleet (Submarine Fleet)Composition:
KATORI (Flag)

1 CL

Location
Operating to eastward of
YokosukaSubron 11 AS
7 SS /

Operating from Yokosuka

Subron 31 AS*
7 SS /

Operating from Kure

Subron 71 XAS
9 SS /

Truk area

Subron 8**1 AS
8 SS

Eastern Pacific

* Three additional XAS are reported at Kure

** This squadron previously was in the 3rd Fleet.

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1 CL
2 AS
1 XAS
19 SS 4

4 SS of total of 23 enumerated above are considered sunk.

V. Fifth Fleet

TAMA (?), (FLAG)	1 CL
Minron 2	8 DM
SHIRIYA	1 AO
Patrol Force - 12-15	armed merchantmen

Based off Northern Honshu this fleet is believed disposed defensively in home waters, off east coast of Honshu.

VI. Second Fleet

Composition

Location

Crudiv 4
TAKAO
MAYA
KAKO
FURUTAKA
ATAGO

Bonin Islands-Yokosuka area

5 CA

Docked Yokosuka 3/19. Undocking 3/26

Grudiv 7

KUMANO (F)
MOGAMI
MIKUMA
SUZUYA

Malay area

3 CA

Cardiv 2

SORYU
HIRYU
Desdiv 23

N.E.I.-Malay area

2 CV
4 DD

Cardiv 3

RYUJO
HOSHO
NITTA MARU
Desdiv 17

Malay area
New Britain area
Saipan area

2 CV
1 XCV
4 DD

Desron 2

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JINTSU (F)
Desdiv 8  )
Desdiv 15 )
Desdiv 16 )
Desdiv 18 )

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1 CL

Arrived Kure 3/21
Two divisions in Sasebo and Kure.
Remaining two divisions in NEI-Malay
area.

16 DD

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VI. Second Fleet (continued)

Composition:

Locations:

Desron 4*

KITAGAMI (F)

Desdiv 2

" 9

" 24

1 CL Philippine waters except one division at Sasebo.

12 DD

Subron 2

KOMABASHI

Subdiv 3

Subdiv 5

1 AS Operating Indian Ocean from Penang Base

6 SS

Subron 4

YURA (F)

TAKASAKI

Subdiv 28

" 29

" 30

1 CL Operating Indian Ocean from Penang Base

1 AS

8 SS

Subron 5

KINU

Subdiv 9

" 13

Enroute Sasebo

1 CL

4 SS

Subron 6

KARASAKI

Subdiv 18

" 19

" 21

Enroute Kure - due Davao March 25

1 AS

8 SS

10th Base Force

Unknown Penang

SUMMARY

4 CV

1 XCV

8 CA

3 CL *

34 DD ***

3 AS

21 SS **

* 1 CL out of total of 4 enumerated in composition is considered sunk

**5 SS " " " " 26 " " " are " "

***2 DD " " " " 36 " " " " " "

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VII. Third Fleet

Composition:

~~ASHIGARA~~ (Flag)

Desron 5

NATORI (F)

Desdiv 5

" 22

" 34

Minron 3

No. 1 Base Force

NAGARA (F)

Mindiv ?

" 1 & 21

Gunboat Div. 1

Subchaser Divs. 1, 11, 21, 31

Miscellaneous

No. 2 Base Force

NAKA (F)

Mindiv 17

No. 31 Base Force

Locations:

1 CA Menado, N. Celebes

1 CL) N.E.I. area

11 DD) Malay area

8 DM Off west coast Luzon, P.I.

1 CL N.E.I. area, except Mindivs and
3 CM possibly other units off west
11 AM coast of Luzon, P.I.

6 XPG
12 PC

1 CL N.E.I. area
3 CM West coast of Luzon, P.I.

Western Philippines

SUMMARY

1 CA
2 CL *
11 DD
1 AS
6 CM
8 DM
11 AM
6 XPG
12 PC

* 1 CL out of total of 3 enumerated in composition is considered lost.

VIII. Southern Expeditionary Fleet

In waters S.E. Asia with base
in Camranh Bay-Saigon area.

Composition:

CHOKAI (Flagship)

KASHII

ISUZU

SHIMUSHU

Desdiv 7

Locations:

1 CA)
1 CL) Off Malaya
1 CL)

1 CM)

4 DD Enroute Sasebo to Yokosuka, arriving
3/25

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IX. Combined Air Force
Composition:
Airon 6

Kamikawa Maru
Fujikawa Maru
Kenjo Maru

Locations:

New Britain area
Malay area
3 XAV N.E.I. area

Airon 7

CHITOSE
MIZUHO
CHIYODA

N.E.I. area
Arrives Yokosuka 3/28
3 AV Home waters

Airon 10

3 XAV N.E.I. area

Airon 11
NISSHIN

1 AV

2 XAV Malay area

Airon 22

3 XAV Bangkok

Airon 23

3 XAV N.E.I. area

Airon 24

KAMOI
NOTORO
KIYOZUMI MARU

New Britain area
2 AV Palau area
1 XAV Enroute Wake to Roi, Marshalls

SUMMARY
6 AV
15 XAV

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X. 1st China Expeditionary Fleet
and China Fleets Command Unit

Vicinity of Shanghai
and Yangtze River

IZUMO (Fleet Flag)	1 OCA
Desdiv 21	3 DD
Gunboat Div.	4 PG
Patdiv 11	10 PR

2nd China Expeditionary Fleet

Hdqtrs at Hongkong

KUMA (F)	1 CL	Hongkong
Minron 1	1 PG)	Patrolling west coast Luzon
	3 AM)	
Torpddiv 1	4 TB)	Off east coast of China
Guard Div 15	1 PG)	

SUMMARY

1 CL
2 PG
4 TB
3 AM

3rd China Expeditionary Fleet

Gulf of Pechili

	1 OCA
Torpddiv 11	4 TB
Torpddiv 21	4 TB
	1 DD
	3 AM

XI. Fleet Train

Since so many merchant vessels are now employed to augment the Fleet Train, it is impossible to give a complete list.

In the below given summary of Navy listed train vessels, the only ones whose positions are known follow:

<u>NAME</u>
AKASHI (AR)
NARUTO (AO)

<u>Location</u>
Davao
Bonin Islands-Yokosuka area

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XII. Fleet Train (continued)

Summary

8 AO
2 AF
2 AC
2 AR
3 ARS

Unassigned - In Home Waters

6 DD
4 DM
1 Target Ship
2 Training Ships
1 Ice Breaker

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Baltic Fleet:

- * 1 CA
- * 3 DL
- * 19 DD (1 badly damaged)
- * 2 ODD (1 badly damaged)
- * 70 SS

Arctic Fleet:

- * 14 DD
- 4 ODD
- * 24 SS

Black Sea Fleet:

- 1 OBB (PARISHKAYA KOMMUNA)
- 3 CA (2 badly damaged)
- * 1 CL
- 2 DL
- * 20 DD (3 badly damaged)
- * 7 ODD
- 39 SS

Pacific Fleet:

- 2 DL
- 14 DD
- 3 ODD
- 102 SS

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SUBJECT: German Fleet Disposition

Type	Ship Name	Location	Last Reported Date
BB	TIRPITZ (1)	Norwegian Sea	March 9, 1942
BB	SCHARNHORST	Kiel	March 13, 1942
BB	GNEISENAU	Kiel	March 13, 1942
OBB	SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN (2)	Gdynia	March 3, 1942
OBB	SCHLESSEN	Off Gjedser	February 16, 1942
CV	GRAF ZEPPELIN	Gdynia	March 3, 1942
CA	ADMIRAL SCHEER	Trondheim	March 11, 1942
CA	LUETZOW	Swinemuende	January 24, 1942
CA	SEYDLITZ	Bremen	March 2, 1942
CA	PRINZ EUGEN	Trondheim	March 11, 1942
CA	ADMIRAL HIPPER (3)	Hamburg	March 13, 1942
CL	MUERNBERG	Kiel	March 13, 1942
CL	LEIPZIG	Gdynia	March 3, 1942
CL	KOELN	Wilhelmshaven	March 13, 1942
CL	EMDEN	Gdynia	March 3, 1942
DD's (4)	5 Units	Trondheim	February 24, 1942
	6 Units	North Sea	February 17, 1942
	4 Units	Kiel	February 17, 1942
	2 Units	Baltic	February 17, 1942
SS's (5)	98 Units*	Atlantic, N. Sea, Baltic Bases	March 16, 1942
	41 Units	Operating in Atlantic	March 16, 1942
	61 Units*	Trials/Training, Baltic	March 16, 1942
	30 Units	Mediterranean	January 4, 1942
	5 Units	Black Sea	March 3, 1942
	235 Total *		

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German Fleet Disposition

- NOTES:
- (1) Last reported at 0931, March 9, 1942 making for Narvik.
 - (2) Previously reported at Kiel, November 29, 1941. One "SCHLESSEN-class BB" was reported at Gdynia March 3, 1942. As recent aerial reconnaissance at Kiel has not reported SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN present, it is probable that the SCHLESSEN-class BB" at Gdynia is SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN.
 - (3) Previously reported at Brunsbuettel, March 2, 1942.
 - (4) Three DD's were accompanying TIRPITZ in Norwegian waters March 6 to March 9, 1942.
 - (5) SS's previously reported:

103 Units*	Atlantic, N. Sea, Baltic Bases	March 9, 1942
36 Units	Operating in Atlantic	March 9, 1942
61 Units *	Trials/Training, Baltic	March 9, 1942
30 Units	Mediterranean	January 4, 1942
5 Units	Black Sea	March 3, 1942
<u>235 Total *</u>		

*Estimated

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DISPOSITION OF ITALIAN FLEET

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
BB	VITTORIO VENETO	Taranto (repairing in drydock)	February 13, 1942
BB	LITTORIO	"	February 13, 1942
BB	CESARE	"	February 13, 1942
BB	DUILIO	"	February 13, 1942
BB	DORIA	"	February 13, 1942
CL's	5 Units	" (1 repairing in float- ing dock)	February 27, 1942
CV's	MIRAGLIA	"	February 3, 1942
DD's	15 Units (*)	"	February 10, 1942
SS's	16 Units (*)	"	February 10, 1942
CA's	2 Units	Messina	February 27, 1942
CL's	1 Unit	"	February 27, 1942
DD's	4 Units (*)	"	February 10, 1942
SS's	5 Units (*)	"	February 10, 1942
CA's	1 Unit	Genoa (repairing)	March 12, 1942
OHM	1 Unit	" (harbor defense)	June, 1941
DD's	4 Units	" (repairing)	December 13, 1941
SS's	1 Unit	" (repairing)	January 5, 1942
CA	1 Unit (*)	La Spezia (repairing)	January 11, 1942
SS's	5 Units	" "	December 31, 1941
DD's	8 Units (*)	Naples (repairing)	January 31, 1942
SS's	2 Units (*)	" "	January 31, 1942
DD's	2 Units	Anzio-Nettuno	August 12, 1941
DD's	8 Units (*)	Palermo	February 10, 1942
DD's	3 Units	Trapani	December 31, 1941
SS's	2 Units	"	December 31, 1941
DD's	3 Units	Augusta	December 31, 1941
SS's	5 Units	"	December 31, 1941
SS's	4 Units	Cagliari	December 31, 1941
SS's	6 Units	Brindisi	December 31, 1941
OCL	1 Unit	Pola (Navy Yd. Depot Ship)	June, 1941
OCL	1 Unit	Ancona	January 7, 1941

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Disposition of Italian Fleet (cont'd)

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
CL	— 1 Unit	N. Aegean and Dodecanese Is.	December 31, 1941
DD's	— 14 Units	" "	February 20, 1942
SS's	— 13 Units	" "	February 20, 1942
SS's	— 6 Units (1)	Bordeaux	January 7, 1942
DD's	— 6 Units (*) (2)	Tripoli	February 10, 1942
BB	CAVOUR	Unknown	
CA's	0 Units (*)	"	
CL's	2 Units	"	
DD's	17 Units (*)	"	
SS's	1 Unit (*)	"	
OCL's	1 Unit (Ex-Yugoslav)	Teodo	October 15, 1941
DD's	0 Units (*) (2)	" "	February 10, 1942
SS's	3 Units	" "	October 15, 1941

(*) Indicates change from last report.

(1) Of the submarines operating out of Bordeaux, three are believed to be off the Liberian Coast and two in the Caribbean.

(2) The ex-Yugoslav DD DUBROVNIK, now named PREMUDA, was sighted on February 7th near Zuara en route to Tripoli.

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DISPOSITION OF FRENCH (VICHY) FLEET

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
BB	— DUNKERQUE (damaged)	Toulon	March 12, 1942
BB	— STRASBOURG	"	February 21, 1942
OBB	— PROVENCE	"	February 21, 1942
CA	— 4 Units	"	February 21, 1942
CL	— 3 Units	"	August 15, 1941
DL	— 16 Units	"	August 15, 1941
DD	— 13 Units	"	August 15, 1941
SS	— 11 Units (*)	"	August 15, 1941 (1)
DD	— 2 Units	Oran	March 13, 1942 (2)
SS	— 4 Units	"	March 13, 1942 (1)(3)(4)
DD	— 6 Units	Bizerte	January 14, 1942
SS	— 12 Units	"	December 8, 1941
BB	— JEAN BART (incomplete)	Casablanca	March 7, 1942
CL	— 1 Unit	"	March 12, 1942 (5)
DL	— 3 Units	"	March 7, 1942
DD	— 3 Units	"	March 7, 1942
SS	— 12 Units (*)	"	March 7, 1942
BB	— RICHELIEU (damaged)	Dakar	March 5, 1942
CL	— 3 Units	"	January 12, 1942 (6)
DL	— 3 Units	"	January 28, 1942
SS	— 9 Units	"	March 2, 1942 (7)
SS	3 Units	Madagascar	December 13, 1941 (3)(7)
CV	— BEARN	Martinique	February 25, 1942
CL	— 1 Unit	"	March 13, 1942
CL	— 1 Unit	Guadeloupe	January 23, 1942
CL	— 1 Unit	Saigon	October 13, 1941
DL	3 Units	Unknown	February 6, 1942
DD	4 Units	"	February 2, 1942
SS	10 Units (*)	"	February 25, 1942 (3)

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- (1) ATALANTE, ARETHUSE, SULTANE and VESTALE departed Oran March 11 for Toulon and are assumed to have arrived.
- (2) FOUQUEUX under repair; SIMOUN in drydock.
- (3) ARGO departed March 10, believed headed for Madagascar.
- (4) MEDUSE and ARIANE believed cruising in adjacent waters.
- (5) PRIMAUGUET due to depart for Dakar for repairs.
- (6) British press reported March 12 that GLOIRE and MONTCAIM had left Dakar with 3 troop transports to reinforce Madagascar.
- (7) No notice received of BEVEZIERES, due to depart February 11 for Madagascar.

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DISPOSITION OF FREE FRENCH (BRITISH) FLEET

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
OBB	COURBET	Portsmouth	March 25, 1941
DD	3 Units	"	March 25, 1941
SS	2 Units	"	February 9, 1942
OBB	PARIS	Plymouth	March 25, 1941
DD	2 Units	"	March 25, 1941
SS	1 Unit	"	February 9, 1942
SS	1 Unit	Swansea	February 9, 1942
DL	1 Unit	Humber	February 9, 1942 (1)
DD	1 Unit	Harwich	February 9, 1942
SS	2 Units	Dundee	February 9, 1942
DL	1 Unit (*)	Brisbane	March 9, 1942 (2)
DD	1 Unit	Simonstown	February 28, 1942
SS	1 Unit	Unknown	February 18, 1942 (3)

(*) Denotes change since March 10 report.

(1) LEOPARD completes repairs mid-April.

(2) LE TRIOMPHANT, previously reported Ocean Island area.

(3) SURCOUF remains unreported. Last reported position, February 18, 1942.

Immobilized French Vessels

BB	LORRAINE	Alexandria	December 17, 1941
CA	3 Units	"	December 17, 1941
CL	1 Unit	"	December 17, 1941
DD	3 Units	"	December 17, 1941
SS	1 Unit	"	December 17, 1941

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MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Japanese Fleet Locations.

The below listed locations of Japanese naval forces are estimates based principally on radio intelligence, although some sight contacts are included and so noted. The Compositions of forces are confirmed in some instances by radio intelligence and in others are built around fragmentary reports to present what is considered the most likely estimates. It is believed that this forms a fair general approximation.

Combined Fleet

Location

BB - YAMATO - Flag of CinC Combined Fleet

Uncertain. Believed in Mandates.

I. First Fleet

Composition:

Batdiv 1

Batdiv 2

Bonin Islands area

✓ NAGATO (F)
MUTSU
YAMASHIRO

HYUGA
ISE

5 BB

Batdiv 3 *

✓ HIYET
KIRISHIMA
KONGO
FUSO

Enroute Sasebo to Bonin Islands area

4 BB } Believed in Kendari-Macassar area

Cardiv 1

AKAGI (F)
KAGA

2 CV, 4 DD

Kendari
Proceeding Sasebo
One unidentified unit has operated
out of Marshalls.

Cardiv 4

KORYU
KASUGA

2 CV, 4 DD

Bonin Islands area

Cardiv 5

ZUIKANU
SHOKAKU

2 CV, 4 DD

Departing Mar. 17 from Yokosuka for
Starling Bay, S.E. Celebes.

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I. First Fleet (continued)

Composition:

Location:

Crudiv 5

✓ MYOKO
HAGURO
NACHI

3 CA

} Enroute Sasebo from Java Sea

At Palau

Crudiv 6

AOBA
KINUGASA

2 CA

Believed north of New Britain

Crudiv 8

✓ TOME
CHIKUMA

2 CA

Believed in Kendari-Macassar area

Desron 1

✓ ABUKUMA

1 CL

Uncertain - Probably in Bonin Islands area

Desdiv 6

" 21

" 27

12 DD

Desron 3

✓ SENDAI

1 CL

Gulf of Davao

Desdiv 11

" 12

" 19

" 20

15 DD

Summary

10 BB

6 CV

7 CA

2 CL

39 DD

* Tentative assignment.

II. Fourth Fleet

Composition:

Locations

Crudiv 18*

3 CL

New Britain area

Desron 6*

1 CL

New Britain area

** 7 DD

Subron 9

1 AS

Marshalls

9 SS

Mostly at Truk

Miscellaneous -

* Sighted off Las on 3/12: 1 DD

" approaching Las on 3/14 - 1 warship escorting a large AP

" Rabaul on 3/12: 3 large ships, 10 small ships, 1 DD entering harbor

" 65 miles S. of Gasmata on 3/12: 1 DD

** 1 DD of this squadron was lost.

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Summary

3 CL
7 DD
1 AS
9 SS
1 CM
8 XPG
1 Survey Ship
2 XAR

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III.	<u>Mandated Islands Base Defense Forces</u>		<u>Locations</u>
✓ 1.	3rd Base Force	4 XPG 4 SS AP & AK*	Palau
✓ 2.	4th Base Force	AP & AK*	Truk
✓ 3.	5th Base Force	2 CM 3 XPG AP & AK*	Saipan, except gunboat Div. 18 in New Britain area.
✓ 4.	6th Base Force	4 XAM 3 PC	Jaluit, except one detachment of unknown composition at Wake
	* Total of	41 AP & AK	
X 5.	7th Base Force	Miscellaneous craft	Chichijima
X 6.	8th Base Force	Portion of an air group	Rabaul **

** Tentative. May be included in 6th Base Force.

IV. Sixth Fleet (Submarine Fleet)

<u>Composition:</u>		<u>Location</u>
✓ <u>KATORI (Flag)</u>	1 CL	Operating to eastward of Yokosuka
✓ <u>Subron 1</u>	1 AS 7 SS 4	Bonin Islands area
✓ <u>Subron 3</u>	1 AS 7 SS 4	Operating from Yokosuka
✓ <u>Subron 7</u>	1 XAS 9 SS 4	Operating from Kure

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Summary

1 CL
2 AS
1 XAS
19 SS

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4 SS of total of 23 enumerated above are considered sunk.

V. Fifth Fleet

TAMA (?), (FLAG) 1 CL
Minron 2 8 DM
SHIRIYA 1 AO
Patrol Force - 12-15 armed merchantmen

Based off Northern Honshu this fleet is believed disposed defensively in home waters, off east coast of Honshu - CinC is in Tokyo.

VI. Second Fleet

CA - ATAGO - flag of CinC, 2nd Fleet 1 CA

Believed enroute home waters

Composition:

Locations

Grudiv 4

TAKAO
MAYA
KAKO
FURUTAKA

Bonin Islands area

4 CA

Grudiv 7

KUMANO (F)
MOGAMI
MIKUMA
SUZUYA

All or a portion of this division operating offensively Penang area.

3 CA

Cardiv 2

SONYU
HIRYU
Desdiv 23

Upkeep - Kendari

2 CV
4 DD

Cardiv 3

KYUJO
HOSHO
NITTA MARU
Desdiv 17

Operating offensively near Penang - New Britain area
Saipan area

2 CV
1 ICV
4 DD

Desron 2

JINTSU (F)
Desdiv 8
Desdiv 15
Desdiv 16
Desdiv 18

Upkeep - Kendari - Macassar area

1 CL
16 DD

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VI. Second Fleet (continued)

Composition:

Desron 4*
 KITAGAWA (F)
 Desdiv 2
 " 9
 " 24

Subron 2
 KOMABASHI
 Subdiv 3
 Subdiv 5

Subron 4
 YURA (F)
 TAKASAKI
 Subdiv 28
 " 29
 " 30

Subron 5
 KIMO
 Subdiv 9
 " 13

Subron 6
 KARASAKI
 Subdiv 18
 " 19
 " 21

X 10th Base Force

Locations:

1 CL	Philippine waters. One Division at Subic Bay returning to Sasebo
12 DD	
1 AS	Operating Indian Ocean from Penang base
6 SS	
1 CL	Kendari
1 AS	
8 SS	
	Operating Indian Ocean from Penang base
1 CL	
4 SS	
1 AS	Kendari
8 SS	
Unknown	Penang

Summary
 4 CV
 1 XCV
 8 CA
 3 CL*
 34 DD***
 3 AS
 21 SS**

*1 CL out of total of 4 enumerated in composition are considered sunk
 **5 SS " " " " 26 enumerated " " " " "
 ***2 DD " " " " 36 enumerated " " " " "

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VII. Third Fleet

Widely dispersed in waters off S.E. Asia with base in Formosa-Pescadores area.

Compositions:

Locations

ASHIGARA (Flag)

1 CA

Kendari-Macassar area

Desron 5
HATORI (F)

1 CL)

Kendari-Macassar area

Desdiv 5

" 22

" 34

11 DD)

Operating offensively from Penang

Subron 8

CHOKEI (F)

1 AS

Kendari-Macassar area

Subdiv 4

" 14

" 25

8 SS

Minron 3

8 DM

Off west coast Luzon, P.I.

No. 1 Base Force

NIAGARA (F)

1 CL

Kendari, except Mindiv and possibly other units off west coast of Luzon, P.I.

Mindiv 7

" 1 & 21

3 CM

Gunboat Div. 1

11 AM

Subchaser Divs. 1, 11, 21, 31

6 XPG

Miscellaneous

12 PC

No. 2 Base Force

NAKA (F)

1 CL

Kendari

Mindiv 17

3 CM

West coast of Luzon, P.I.

Summary

1 CA

2 CL*

11 DD

1 AS

8 SS

6 CM

8 DM

11 AM

6 XPG

12 PC

* 1 CL out of total of 3 enumerated in composition is considered lost.

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waters S.E. Asia with base
 in Camranh Bay-Saigon area.

Composition:

Locations:

CHOKAI (Flagship)	1 CA)	Off Malaya
*KASHII	1 CL)	
ISUZU	1 CL)	
SHIMUSHU	1 CM)	
Desdiv 7	4 DD	Arrives Subic Bay 3/18

*Kashii previously considered lost is now believed still in commission.

IX. Combined Air Force

Airon 6

Kamikawa Maru	3 XAV	Operating in Bay of Bengal
Fujikawa Maru		Arrived Singora 3/15
Kanjo Maru		At Bali on 3/11

Airon 7

CHITOSE)	3 AV	Kendari
MIZUHO)		Possibly returned home waters
CHIYODA		

Airon 10

3 XAV	Vicinity Macassar, S.W. Celebes
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Airon 11

WISSEIN

1 AV	
2 XAV	Believed in Penang area

Airon 22

3 XAV	Operating offensively from Penang
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Airon 23

Bali on 3/11

3 XAV

Airon 24

KAMOY
 NOTORO
 KIYOZUMI MARU

2 AV	New Britain area
1 XAV	Manado, N. Celebes
	Yokosuka

Summary
 6 AV
 15 XAV

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I.

1st China Expeditionary Fleet
and China Fleets Command Unit

Vicinity of Shanghai
and Yangtze River

IZUMO (Fleet Flag)	1 OCA
Desdiv 21	3 DD
Gunboat Div.	4 PG
Patdiv 11	10 PR

2nd China Expeditionary Fleet

Hdqtrs at Hongkong

KUMA (F)	1 CL
Minron 1	1 PG)
	3 AM)
Torpddiv 1	4 TB)
Guard Div 15	1 PG)

Hongkong
Patrolling west coast Luzon
Off east coast of China

Summary

1 CL
2 PG
4 TB
3 AM

3rd China Expeditionary Fleet

Gulf of Pechili

Torpddiv 11	1 OCA
Torpddiv 21	4 TB
	4 TB
	1 DD
	3 AM

II. Fleet Train

Since so many merchant vessels are now employed to augment the Fleet Train, it is impossible to give a complete list.

In the below given summary of Navy listed train vessels, the only ones whose positions are known follow:

NAME
AKASHI (AR)
HAYATOMO (AO)
HARUTO (AO)

Location
Davao
Departed Staring Bay 3/9
enroute North
Bonin Islands area

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XIII. Fleet Train (continued)

Summary

8 AO
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Unassigned - In Home Waters

18 DD
4 DM
1 Target Ship
2 Training Ships
1 Ice Breaker

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SUBJECT: Russian Navy - Strength and Disposition.

Baltic Fleet:

2 CA (1 badly damaged)
4 DL
18 DD (1 badly damaged)
1 ODD
71 SS

Arctic Fleet:

15 DD
4 ODD
26 SS

Black Sea Fleet:

1 OBB (PAJISHSKAYA KOLMUNA)
3 CA (2 badly damaged)
2 CL (1 badly damaged)
2 DL (1 badly damaged)
19 DD (2 badly damaged, 1 slightly damaged.)
6 ODD
39 SS

Pacific Fleet:

2 DL
14 DD
3 ODD
102 SS

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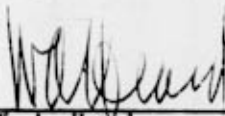
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MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: German Fleet Disposition

Type	Ship Name	Location	Last Reported Date
BB	TIRPITZ (1)	68.N, 08.E	March 9, 1942
BB	SCHARNHORST	Kiel	March 2, 1942
BB	GNEISENAU	Kiel	March 2, 1942
OBB	SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN (2)	Kiel	November 29, 1941
OBB	SCHLESSEN (2)	Off Gjedser	February 16, 1942
CV	GRAF ZEPPELIN	Odynia	March 3, 1942
CA	ADMIRAL SCHEER	Trondheim	March 9, 1942
CA	LUETZOW	Swinemuende	January 24, 1942
CA	SEYDLITZ	Bremen	March 2, 1942
CA	PRINZ EUGEN (3)	Trondheim	March 9, 1942
CA	ADMIRAL HIPPER (3)	Brunsbuettel	March 2, 1942
CL	MUERNBERG	Kiel	March 2, 1942
CL	LEIPZIG (4)	Odynia	March 3, 1942
CL	KOELN	Wilhelmshaven	March 2, 1942
CL	EMDEN (4)	Odynia	March 3, 1942
DD's (5)	5 Units	Trondheim	February 24, 1942
	6 Units	North Sea	February 17, 1942
	4 Units	Kiel	February 17, 1942
	2 Units	Baltic	February 17, 1942
SS's (6)	103 Units*	Atlantic, N. Sea, Baltic Bases	March 9, 1942
	36 Units	Operating in Atlantic	March 9, 1942
	61 Units*	Trials/Training, Baltic	March 9, 1942
	30 Units	Mediterranean	January 4, 1942
	5 Units	Black Sea	March 3, 1942
	235 Total *		

* Estimated

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- NOTES: (1) Previously reported Trondheim, March 2, 1942.
- (2) One "SCHLESSEN-class BB" was reported at Gdynia, March 3, 1942.
- (3) Which "HIPPER-class" CA is at Trondheim and which is at Brunsbuettel is still indefinite.
- (4) Previously reported "Baltic, probably Gdynia", February 12, 1942.
- (5) Three DD's were with TIRPITZ March 9, 1942 in position 68.N, 08.E.
- (6) SS's previously reported:
- | | | |
|--------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------|
| 94 Units* | Atlantic, N.Sea, Baltic Bases | March 2, 1942 |
| 36 Units | Operating in Atlantic | March 2, 1942 |
| 61 Units * | Trials/Training, Baltic | March 2, 1942 |
| 30 Units | Mediterranean | January 4, 1942 |
| 4 Units | Black Sea | January 4, 1942 |
| <u>225 Total *</u> | | |

*Estimated

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DISPOSITION OF ITALIAN FLEET

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
BB	VITTORIO VENETO	Taranto	February 13, 1942
BB	LITTORIO	"	" " "
BB	CESARE	"	" " "
BB	DUILIO	"	" " "
BB	DORIA	"	" " "
CL's	5 Units	"	February 27, 1942
CVS	MIRAGLIA	"	February 3, 1942
DD's	14 Units	"	" " "
SS's	13 Units	"	" " "
CA's	2 Units	Messina	February 27, 1942
CL's	1 Unit	"	" " "
DD's	6 Units	"	January 17, 1942
SS's	3 Units	"	" " "
CA's	1 Unit	Genoa (repairing)	January 8, 1942
OEM	1 Unit	" (harbor defense)	June 1941
DD's	4 Units	" (repairing)	December 13, 1941
SS's	1 Unit	" (repairing)	January 5, 1942
SS's	5 Units	La Spezia	December 31, 1941
DD's	6 Units	Naples (repairing)	December 31, 1941
SS's	4 Units	" "	January 7, 1942
DD's	5 Units	Palermo	January 17, 1942
DD's	2 Units	Anzio-Nettuno	August 12, 1941
DD's	3 Units	Trapani	December 31, 1941
SS's	2 Units	"	" " "
SS's	4 Units	Cagliari	December 31, 1941
DD's	3 Units	Augusta	December 31, 1941
SS's	5 Units	"	" " "
SS's	6 Units	Brindisi	December 31, 1941
OCL	1 Unit	Pola (Navy Yd. Depot Ship)	June 1941
OCL	1 Unit	Ancona	January 7, 1941

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Disposition of Italian Fleet (cont'd)

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
CL's	1 Unit	N. Aegean & Dodecanese Is.	December 31, 1941
DD's	14 Units	" " " "	February 20, 1942
SS's	13 Units	" " " "	" " "
SS's	6 Units (1)	Bordeaux	January 7, 1942
DD's	4 Units	Tripoli	January 27, 1942
BB	CAVOUR	Unknown	
CA	1 Unit	"	
CL's	2 Units	"	
DD's	22 Units	"	
SS's	4 Units (*) (2)		
OCL's	1 Unit (Ex-Yugoslav)	Teodo	October 15, 1941
DD's	1 Unit " "	"	" " "
SS's	3 Units " "	"	" " "

(*) Indicates change from last report.

- (1) Of the submarines operating out of Bordeaux, two are believed to be operating 400 miles SW of Liberia and three in the Caribbean area.
- (2) One Italian submarine has been reported as having failed to return to its base.

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DISPOSITION OF FRENCH (VICHY) FLEET

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
BB	DUNKERQUE (damaged)	Toulon	February 21, 1942
BB	STRASBOURG	"	February 21, 1942
OBB	PROVENCE	"	February 21, 1942
CA	4 Units	"	February 21, 1942
CL	3 Units	"	August 15, 1941
DL	16 Units	"	August 15, 1941
DD	13 Units (*)	"	August 15, 1941
SS	7 Units	"	August 15, 1941
DD	2 Units	Oran	February 27, 1942
SS	4 Units	"	February 27, 1942
DD	6 Units	Biserte	January 14, 1942
SS	12 Units	"	December 8, 1941
BB	JEAN BART (incomplete)	Casablanca	March 7, 1942
CL	1 Unit	"	March 7, 1942
DL	3 Units	"	March 7, 1942
DD	3 Units (*)	"	March 7, 1942
SS	13 Units (*)	"	March 7, 1942 (1)
BB	RICHELIEU (damaged)	Dakar	March 5, 1942 (2)
CL	3 Units	"	January 12, 1942
DL	3 Units	"	January 28, 1942
SS	9 Units (*)	"	March 2, 1942 (3)
SS	3 Units	Madagascar	December 13, 1941 (3)
CV	BEARN	Martinique	February 25, 1942
CL	1 Unit	"	March 9, 1942 (4)
CL	1 Unit	Guadeloupe	January 23, 1942
CL	1 Unit	Saigon	October 13, 1941
DL	3 Units	Unknown	February 6, 1942
DD	4 Units (*)	"	February 2, 1942
SS	13 Units (*)	"	February 25, 1942

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- (1) PASCAL and POINCARE, reported en route Toulon, February 3rd, for repairs, and carried as unreported, have returned to Casablanca.
- (2) Reported having taken part in firing tests, firing from Mole No. 3 with secondary and A.A. batteries.
- (3) BEVEZIERS, due to depart February 11th for Madagascar, but notice of actual departure not received.
- (4) Proposed trip of EMILE BERTIN to the Saintes, March 11th, postponed. Will cruise in Martinique territorial waters on that date.

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DISPOSITION OF FREE FRENCH (BRITISH) FLEET

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
OBB	COURBET	Portsmouth	March 25, 1941
DL	0 Units (*)	"	
DD	3 Units (*)	"	March 25, 1941
SS	2 Units (*)	"	February 9, 1942 (1)
OBB	PARIS	Plymouth	March 25, 1941
DD	2 Units	"	March 25, 1941
SS	1 Unit (*)	"	March 25, 1941 (2)
SS	Q Units (*)	Southampton	February 9, 1942
SS	1 Unit	Swansea	February 9, 1942 (3)
DL	1 Unit (*)	Humber	February 9, 1942 (4)
DD	1 Unit (*)	Harwich	February 9, 1942 (5)
SS	2 Units (*)	Dundee	February 9, 1942 (6)
DL	1 Unit (*)	Ocean Is. Area	March 2, 1942 (7)
DD	1 Unit	Simonstown	February 28, 1942
SS	1 Unit	Unknown	February 18, 1942 (8)

(*) Denotes changes since March 3, report.

- (1) ONDINE and ORION, formerly at Southampton, now at Portsmouth, in reserve.
- (2) JUNON, non-operational.
- (3) CREOLE, future uncertain.
- (4) LEOPARD, under repair; completes mid-April.
- (5) MELPOMENE, operating U.K. waters.
- (6) MINERVE, completed refit February 10, 1942. RUBIS, to complete repairs Mar. 7, 1942.
- (7) LE TRIOMPHANT, previously reported Port Sandwich.
- (8) SURCOUF, remains unreported. Last reported position, February 18, 1942.

Inmobilized French Vessels

BB	LORRAINE	Alexandria	December 17, 1941
CA	3 Units	"	December 17, 1941
CL	1 Unit	"	December 17, 1941
DD	3 Units	"	December 17, 1941
SS	1 Unit	"	December 17, 1941

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The below listed locations of Japanese naval forces are estimates based principally on radio intelligence, although some sight contacts are included and so noted. The Compositions of forces are confirmed in some instances by radio intelligence and in others are built around fragmentary reports to present what is considered the most likely estimates. It is believed that this forms a fair general approximation.

<u>Combined Fleet</u>	<u>Location</u>
BB - YAMATO - Flag of CinC Combined Fleet	Believed in Southern Mandates
<u>I. First Fleet</u>	
<u>Composition:</u>	
<u>Batdiv 1</u>	<u>Batdiv 2</u>
NAGATO (F)	HYUGA
MUTSU	ISE
YAMASHIRO	5 BB
<u>Batdiv 3 *</u>	
HIYERI	} Probably Southern Mandated area. } Java Sea
KIRISHIMA	
KONGO	
FUSO	
	4 BB
<u>Cardiv 1</u>	
AKAGI (F)	East Java Sea
KAGA	
	2 CV, 4 DD
<u>Cardiv 4</u>	
KORYU	Unlocated
KASUGA	
	2 CV, 4 DD
<u>Cardiv 5</u>	
ZUIKAKU	Departed Yokosuka 3/8 for Staring Bay Conducting air search of US naval forces south of Honshu.
SHOKAKU	
	2 CV, 4 DD

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First Fleet (continued)

Composition:

Location:

Crudiv 5

MYOKO
NACHI
HAGURO

3 CA

Java Sea

Crudiv 6

AOBA
KINUGASA

2 CA

Believed off
New Britain

Crudiv 8

TONI
CHIKUMA

2 CA

N.E.I. waters
New Britain

Desron 1

ABUKUMA
Desdiv 6
" 21
" 27

1 CL

Java Sea, except 4 CL,
4 DD in Visayas, P.I.

12 DD

Desron 3

SENDAI
Desdiv 11
" 12
" 19

1 CL

Gulf of Davao

15 DD

Summary

10 BB
6 CV
7 CA
2 CL
39 DD

*Tentative assignment.

II. Fourth Fleet

This fleet is now split up
as follows:

Composition:

Locations

Crudiv 18*

3 CL

New Britain

Desron 6*

1 CL
8 DD

New Britain

Subron

1 AS
9 SS

Truk area

Miscellaneous -

Mostly at Truk

- * Sighted off Salamoa on 3/7: 1 cruiser, 4 DD, 6 AP
- * " at Rabaul 3 cruisers, 6 AP, 1 AH, 3/7
- * " off Gasmata 1 cruiser, 8 AP, 3/7

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4 CL
 8 DD
 1 AS
 9 SS
 1 CM
 8 XPG
 1 Survey Ship
 2 XAR

III. Mandated Islands Base Defense Forces

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|--|---|
| 1. 3rd Base Force - Palau | 4 XPG
4 SS
AP & AK* |
| 2. 4th Base Force - Truk | AP & AK* |
| 3. 5th Base Force - Saipan* | 2 CM
3 XPG
AP & AK* |
| 4. 6th Base Force - Jaluit,
except one detach-
ment at Wake
*Total of | 4 XAM
3 PC
41 AP & AK |
| 5.***7th Base Force-Chichijima | Miscellaneous craft and probably an air group |
| 6. 8th Base Force - Makin ** | Portion of an air group |
- * Gunboat Div 18 of unknown composition operating in New Britain waters
 ** Tentative. May be included in 6th Base Force.
 *** Previously believed at Wake.

IV. Sixth Fleet (Submarine Fleet)

<u>Composition:</u> KATORT (Flag)	1 CL	<u>Location:</u> In Home Waters
* <u>Subron 1</u>	1 AS 7 SS	One squadron is in the Marshalls- Wake area, one operates from home ports, and the third is scattered in the Pacific.
* <u>Subron 3</u>	1 AS 7 SS	
* <u>Subron 7</u>	1 XAS 9 SS	

* The numbers of these squadrons have been changed to conform to an arbitrary numbering assigned by Com 14.

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Summary
1 CL
2 AS
1 XAS
19 SS /

/ 4 SS of total of 23 enumerated above are considered sunk.

V. Fifth Fleet

TAMA (?), (Flag) 1 CL
Minron 2 8 DM
SHIRIYA 1 AO
Patrol Force - 12-15 armed merchantmen

Based off Northern Honshu this fleet is believed disposed defensively in home waters, in area Lat. 37° - 46°N., East coast of Japan - Long. 155°E.

VI. Second Fleet

Widely dispersed in waters off S.E. Asia with base Camranh-Bay-Saigon area.

CA - ATAGO - flag of CinC. 2nd Fleet 1 CA

Off east coast Sumatra

Composition:

Locations

/ Crdiv 4

TAKAO
MAYA
KAKO
FURUTAKA

Java Sea

4 CA

Crdiv 7

KUMANO (F)
MOGAMI
MIKUMA
SUZUYA

Java Sea

4 CA

Cardiv 2

SORYU
HIRYU
Desdiv 23

Java Sea

2 CV
4 DD

Cardiv 3

RYUJO
HOSHO
NITTA MARU
Desdiv 17

Off Southern Java on 3/4
New Britain-Truk area
Truk area -
Possibly returning home waters

2 CV
1 XCV
4 DD

Desron 2

JINTSU (F)
Desdiv 8
Desdiv 15
Desdiv 16
Desdiv 18

1 CL

Java Sea

16 DD

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VII. Third Fleet

Widely dispersed in waters off
 S.E. Asia with base in Formosa-
 Pescadores area.

Composition:

Locations

ASHIGARA (Flag)

1 CA

Java Sea

Desron 5

NATORI (F)

1 CL

Java Sea

Desdiv 5

" 22

" 34

11 DD

Sabron 8

CHOGEI (F)

1 AS

Celebes Sea

Subdiv 4

" 14

" 25

8 SS

8 DM

Off west coast Luzon, P.I.

Minren 3

No. 1 Base Force

NAGARA (F)

1 CL

Mindiv 7

3 CM

" 1 & 21

11 AM

Gunboat Div. 1

6 XPG

Subchaser Divs. 1, 11, 21, 31

12 PC

Miscellaneous

Java Sea, except Mindiv 7 and
 possibly other units off west
 coast of Luzon, P.I.

No. 2 Base Force

NAKA (F)

1 CL

Mindiv 17

3 CM

Java Sea.
 West coast of Luzon, P.I.

Summary

1 CA

3 CL

11 DD

1 AS

8 SS

6 CM

8 DM

11 AM

6 XPG

12 PC

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VIII. Southern Expeditionary Fleet

In waters S.E. Asia with base
in Camranh Bay-Saigon area.

Composition: *

Locations:

CHOKAI (Flagship)	1 CA	Java Sea
ISUZU	1 CL	" "
SHIMUSHU	1 CM	" "
Desdiv 7	4 DD	" "

* KASHII (CL) previously included is considered lost.

IX. Combined Air Force

Airon 6

Kamikawa Maru		Off Kota-Bharu
Fujikawa Maru		Palau area
Kenjo Maru	3 XAV	Truk

Airon 7

CHITOSE		Java Sea
CHIYODA		
MIZUHO	3 AV	

Airon 10

3 XAV	Vicinity Macassar, S.W. Celebes.
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Airon 11

NISSHIN	1 AV	Departed Macassar Mar. 5 on unknown mission as tenders
_____ _____	2 XAV	for Toko Air Group.

Airon 22

Kuching, W. Borneo.

3 XAV	
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Airon 23

Java Sea

3 XAV	
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Airon 24

KAMOI
NOTORO
KIYOZUMI MARU

2 AV	New Britain area
1 XAV	Menado, N. Celebes
	Yokosuka

Summary
6 AV
15 XAV
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X. 1st China Expeditionary Fleet
and China Fleets Command Unit

Vicinity of Shanghai
and Yangtze River

IZUMO (Fleet Flag)	1 OCA
Desdiv 21	3 DD
Gunboat Div.	4 PG
Patdiv 11	10 PR

2nd China Expeditionary Fleet

KUMA (F)	1 CL	Hongkong
Minren 1	1 PG)	Patrolling west coast Luzon
	3 AM)	
Torpddiv 1	4 TB)	Off east coast of China
Guard Div 15	1 PG)	

Summary

1 CL
2 PG
4 TB
3 AM

3rd China Expeditionary Fleet

Gulf of Pechili

Torpddiv 11	1 OCA
Torpddiv 21	4 TB
	4 TB
	1 DD
	3 AM

XI. Task Force Organization

- (1) Screening Force, CinC 1st Fleet, Commander
- (a) Batdivs 1 & 2 of 1st Fleet
 - (b) Cardiv 5 and possibly Cardiv 4 of 1st Fleet
 - (c) Fifth Fleet
 - (d) Subron of Sixth Fleet based at Yokosuka
 - (e) Defense Forces of Yokosuka, Kure and Chichijima *

*Those forces include 4 OCA, 2 OCL and miscellaneous craft.

XII. Fleet Train

Since so many merchant vessels are now employed to augment the Fleet Train, it is impossible to give a complete list.

In the below given summary of Navy listed train vessels, the only ones whose positions are known follow:

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XII. Fleet Train (continued)

NAME
AKASHI (AR)
HAYATOMO (AO))
NARUTO (AO))
TSURUMI (AO))

Location
Davao
Providing logistic support
to forces operating in
Java Sea.

SUMMARY

8 AO *
2 AF
2 AC
2 AR
3 ARS

* ERIMO (AO) was sunk on March 4.

Unassigned - In Home Waters

18 DD
4 DM
1 Target Ship
2 Training Ships
1 Ice Breaker

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SUBJECT: Russian Navy - Strength and Disposition.

Baltic Fleet:

2 CA (1 badly damaged)
4 DL
18 DD (1 badly damaged)
1 ODD
71 SS

Arctic Fleet:

15 DD
4 ODD
26 SS

Black Sea Fleet:

1 OBB (PARISHSKAYA KOMMUNA)
3 CA (2 badly damaged)
2 CL (1 badly damaged)
2 DL (1 badly damaged)
19 DD (2 badly damaged, 1 slightly damaged.)
6 ODD
39 SS

Pacific Fleet:

2 DL
14 DD
3 ODD
102 SS

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MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: German Fleet Disposition.

Ship			Last Reported
Type	Name	Location	Date
BB	TIRPITZ	Trondheim (Aasfjord)	March 2, 1942
BB	SCHARNHORST (1)	Kiel	March 2, 1942
BB	GNEISENAU	Kiel	March 2, 1942
OB	SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN	Kiel	November 29, 1941
OB	SCHLESSEN (2)	Off Gjedser	February 16, 1942
CV	GRAF ZEPPELIN	Gdynia	January 11, 1942
CA	ADMIRAL SCHEER	Trondheim (Lofjord)	March 2, 1942
CA	LUETZOW	Swinemuende	January 24, 1942
CA	SEYDLITZ	Bremen	March 2, 1942
CA	PRINZ EUGEN (3)	Trondheim (Lofjord)	March 2, 1942
CA	ADMIRAL HIPPER (4)	Brunsbuettel	March 2, 1942
CL	MUERNBERG	Kiel	January 22, 1942
CL	LEIPZIG	Baltic - probably Gdynia	February 12, 1942
CL	KOELN (5)	Wilhelmshaven	March 2, 1942
CL	EMDEN	Baltic - probably Gdynia	February 12, 1942
DD's (6)	5 Units	Trondheim	February 24, 1942
	6 Units	North Sea	February 17, 1942
	4 Units	Kiel	February 17, 1942
	2 Units	Baltic	February 17, 1942
SS's (7)	94 Units *	Atlantic, N. Sea, Baltic Bases	March 2, 1942
	36 Units	Operating in Atlantic	March 2, 1942
	61 Units *	Trials/Training, Baltic	March 2, 1942
	30 Units	Mediterranean	January 4, 1942
	4 Units	Black Sea	January 4, 1942
	225* Total*		

* Estimated

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Notes:

- (1) Previously reported Wilhelmshaven February 13, 1942.
- (2) SCHLESSEN was reported making for Kiel February 16, 1942.
- (3) Previously reported Brunsbuettel February 13, 1942.
See ADMIRAL HIPPER.
- (4) Previously reported Hamburg January 25, 1942.
See PRINZ EUGEN. Which "HIPPER class" CA is at
Trondheim and which at Brunsbuttel is still indefinite.
- (5) Previously reported Baltic December 11, 1941.
- (6) DD's previously reported on February 17, 1942:
11 Units North Sea
4 Units Kiel
2 Units Baltic
- (7) SS's previously reported:
93 Units* Atlantic, N.Sea, Baltic Bases, February 23, 1942.
37 Units Operating in Atlantic February 23, 1942.
61 Units* Trials/Training, Baltic February 23, 1942.
30 Units Mediterranean January 4, 1942.
4 Units Black Sea January 4, 1942.
225* Total*

*Estimated

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DISPOSITION OF ITALIAN FLEET

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
BB	VITTORIO VENETO (*)	Taranto	February 13, 1942
BB	LITTORIO	"	February 13, 1942
BB	CESARE	"	February 13, 1942
BB	DUILIO	"	February 13, 1942
BB	DORIA	"	February 13, 1942
CL's	5 Units (*)	"	February 27, 1942
CVS	MIRAGLIA	"	February 3, 1942
DD's	14 Units	"	February 3, 1942
SS's	13 Units	"	February 3, 1942
CA's	2 Units	Messina	February 27, 1942
CL's	1 Unit	"	February 27, 1942
DD's	6 Units	"	January 17, 1942
SS's	3 Units	"	January 17, 1942
CA's	1 Unit (*) (1)	Genoa (repairing)	January 8, 1942
OEM	1 Unit	" (harbor defense)	June, 1941
DD's	4 Units	" (repairing)	December 13, 1941
SS's	1 Unit	" (repairing)	January 5, 1942
SS's	5 Units	La Spezia	December 31, 1941
BB's	0 Units (*)	Naples	February 13, 1942
DD's	6 Units	" (repairing)	December 31, 1941
SS's	4 Units	" (repairing)	January 7, 1942
DD's	5 Units	Palermo	January 17, 1942
DD's	2 Units	Anzio-Nettuno	August 12, 1941
DD's	3 Units	Trapani	December 31, 1941
SS's	2 Units	"	December 31, 1941
DD's	0 Units (*)	Maddalena	February 20, 1942
SS's	4 Units	Cagliari	December 31, 1941
DD's	3 Units	Augusta	December 31, 1941
SS's	5 Units	"	December 31, 1941
SS's	6 Units	Brindisi	December 31, 1941
OCL	1 Unit	Pola (Navy Yd. Depot Ship)	June, 1941

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Disposition of Italian Fleet (cont'd)

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
OCL	1 Unit	Ancona	January 7, 1941
CL's	1 Unit (*)	N. Aegean and Dodecanese Is.	December 31, 1941
DD's	14 Units (*)	"	February 20, 1942
SS's	13 Units (*)	"	February 20, 1942
SS's	6 Units (2)	Bordeaux	January 7, 1942
DD's	4 Units	Tripoli	January 27, 1942
BB	CAVOUR	Unknown	
CA	1 Unit (*) (1)	"	
CL's	2 Units	"	
DD's	22 Units (*)	"	
SS's	5 Units (*) (3)	"	
OCL's	1 Unit (Ex-Yugoslav)	Teodo	October 15, 1941
DD's	1 Unit " "	"	October 15, 1941
SS's	3 Units " "	"	October 15, 1941

(*) Indicates change from last report.

- (1) The CA "TRIESTE" was not reported at Genoa on February 13, 1942 and has been placed among the "Unknowns".
- (2) Of the 6 submarines basing at Bordeaux, three are at sea and are operating between the Azores and Gibraltar.
- (3) One Italian submarine was reported on February 27, 1942 as having failed to return to its base. Several newly constructed submarines are reported to have joined the fleet. They have been named after metals: FERRO, NICHEL, PLATINO, ACCIAIO, and BRONZO were mentioned and these five have been added to the list of submarines in the Italian Fleet.

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DISPOSITION OF FRENCH (VICHY) FLEET

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
BB	DUNKERQUE (damaged)	Toulon	February 21, 1942
BB	STRASBOURG	"	February 21, 1942
OBB	PROVENCE	"	February 21, 1942
CA	4 Units	"	February 21, 1942
CL	3 Units	"	August 15, 1941
DL	16 Units	"	August 15, 1941
DD	12 Units	"	August 15, 1941
SS	7 Units	"	August 15, 1941 (1)
DD	2 Units (*)	Oran	February 27, 1942
SS	4 Units (*)	"	February 27, 1942 (2)
DD	6 Units	Bizerte	January 14, 1942
SS	12 Units	"	December 8, 1941
BB	JEAN BART (incomplete)	Casablanca	February 14, 1942
CL	1 Unit	"	February 14, 1942
DL	3 Units	"	February 14, 1942
DD	2 Units (*)	"	February 14, 1942
SS	8 Units (*)	"	February 27, 1942
BB	RICHELIEU (damaged)	Dakar	January 16, 1942
CL	3 Units	"	January 1, 1942
DL	3 Units	"	January 28, 1942
SS	11 Units (*)	"	March 2, 1942 (3)
SS	3 Units	Madagascar	December 13, 1941
CV	BEARN	Martinique	February 25, 1942
CL	1 Unit	"	February 25, 1942
CL	1 Unit	Guadeloupe	January 23, 1942
CL	1 Unit	Saigon	October 13, 1941
DL	3 Units	Unknown	February 6, 1942
DD	6 Units	"	February 2, 1942
SS	16 Units (*)	"	February 25, 1942 (1)(4)

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Disposition of French (Vichy) Fleet (continued)

- (1) PASCAL and POINCARE enroute Toulon for repairs. Notice of arrival not received. Vessels carried as unreported.
- (2) As of February 27, 2 SS's reported under repairs and 2 patrolling.
- (3) BEVEZIER was due to depart Dakar February 11 for Madagascar.
- (4) PALLAS, IRIS, CERES and VENUS departed Dakar February 25, heading north.

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DISPOSITION OF FREE FRENCH (BRITISH) FLEET

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
OBB	COURBET	Portsmouth	March 25, 1941
DL	1 Unit	"	March 25, 1941
DD	4 Units	"	March 25, 1941
OBB	PARIS	Plymouth	March 25, 1941
DD	2 Units (*)	"	March 25, 1941
SS	2 Units	"	March 25, 1941
SS	2 Units	Southampton	March 25, 1941
SS	1 Unit	Swansea	March 25, 1941
SS	1 Unit	Unknown British Port	August 21, 1941
DL	1 Unit (*)	Port Sandwich, N.Z.	February 23, 1942
DD	1 Unit (*)	Simonstown	February 28, 1942
SS	1 Unit	Unknown	February 18, 1942 (1)

(*) Denotes changes since February 24 report.

(1) SURCOUF remains unreported. Last reported position February 18. Overdue in Panama Canal Zone, February 19.

IMMOBILIZED FRENCH VESSELS

OBB	LORRAINE	Alexandria	December 17, 1941
CA	3 Units	"	December 17, 1941
CL	1 Unit	"	December 17, 1941
DD	3 Units	"	December 17, 1941
SS	1 Unit	"	December 17, 1941

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SUBJECT: Japanese Fleet Locations.

The below listed locations of Japanese naval forces are estimates based principally on radio intelligence, although some sight contacts are included which are so noted. The Compositions of forces although confirmed in some instances by radio intelligence are in others built around fragmentary reports to present what is considered the most likely estimates. It is believed that this forms a fair general approximation.

Combined Fleet Location
BB - YAMATO - Flag of CinC Combined Fleet Believed in Southern Mandates

I. First Fleet

Composition:

Batdiv 1

NAGATO (F)
MUTSU
YAMASHIRO

Batdiv 2

HYUGA
ISE

Uncertain. Believed disposed in
area Lat. 20°- 37°N., Long. 140°-
155°E.

5 BB

Batdiv 3 *

HIDET
KIRISHIMA
KONGO
FUSO

} Probably Southern Mandated area.

4 BB

} Uncertain, but believed in or near
Borneo waters.

Cardiv 1

AKAGI (F)
KAGA

Java Sea

2 CV, 4 DD

Cardiv 4

KORYU
KASUGA

Unlocated

2 CV, 4 DD

Cardiv 5

ZUIKAKU
SHOKAKU

At Yokosuka

Expect depart Yokosuka on March 3.

2 CV, 4 DD

Crudiv 5

MYOKO
NACHI
HAGURO

Uncertain. Believed in or near
Malaya waters

3 CA

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I. First Fleet (Continued)

Composition:

Location:

Crudiv 6

AOBA
KINUGASA

2 CA

New Britain

Crudiv 8

TOME
CHIKUMA

2 CA

N.E.I. waters
New Britain

Desron 1

ABUKUMA
Desdiv 6

1 CL

Uncertain, may have returned
home waters

" 21

12 DD

" 27

Desron 3

SENDAI
Desdiv 11

1 CL

Gulf of Davao.

" 12

15 DD

" 19

Summary

10 BB

6 CV

7 CA

2 CL

39 DD

* Tentative assignment.

II. Fourth Fleet

This fleet is now split up as
follows:

Composition:

Locations

Crudiv 18

3 CL

New Britain

Desron 6 *

1 CL

New Britain

8 DD

Subron 7

1 AS

Uncertain. Possibly New Britain-
Marshall's area.

9 SS

Miscellaneous -

Mostly at Truk.

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Summary

4 CL
8 DD
1 AS
9 SS
1 CM
8 XPG
1 Survey Ship
2 XAR

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* Sighted near Cape St. George 3 DD on Feb. 27.

III. Mandated Islands Base Defense Forces

- ✓ 1. 3rd Base Force - Palau 4 XPG
4 SS
AP & AK*
- ✓ 2. 4th Base Force - Truk AP & AK*
- ✓ 3. 5th Base Force - Saipan* 2 CM
3 XPG
AP & AK*
- ✓ 4. 6th Base Force - Jaluit, 4 XAM
except one de- 3 PC
tachment at Wake
*Total of 41 AP & AK
- ✓ 5. 7th Base Force - Wake Miscellaneous craft
probably including a few SS
and probably an air group
6. 8th Base Force - Makin ** Portion of an air group

* Gunboat Div 18 of unknown composition operating in New Britain waters
** Tentative. May be included in 6th Base Force.

IV. Sixth Fleet (Submarine Fleet)

Composition:
KATORI (Flag)

1 CL

Location:
In Home Waters

Subron 1

1 AS
7 SS ✓

One squadron is in the
Marshall-Wake area, one
operates from home ports, and
the third is scattered in the
Pacific

Subron 2

1 AS
7 SS ✓

Subron 3

1 XAS
9 SS ✓

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Summary
1 CL
2 AS
1 IAS
19 SS /

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/ 4 SS of total of 23 enumerated above are considered sunk.

V. Fifth Fleet

TAMA (?), (Flag) 1 CL
Minron 2 8 DM
Patron - About 20 armed merchantmen

Based off Northern Honshu this fleet is believed disposed defensively in home waters, in area Lat. 37° - 46°N., East coast of Japan - Long 155°E.

VI. Second Fleet

Widely dispersed in waters off S.E. Asia with base Camranh Bay-Saigon area.

CA - ATAGO - flag of CinC. 2nd Fleet 1 CA

Off east coast Sumatra.

Composition:

Locations

Group 4
TAKAO
MAYA
KAKO
FURUTAKA

Java Sea

4 CA

Group 7
KUMANO (F)
MOGAMI
MIKUMA
SUZUYA

Java Sea

4 CA

Group 2
SORYU
HIRYU
Desdiv 23

Java Sea

2 CV
4 DD

Group 3
RYUJO
HOSHO
NITTA MARU
Desdiv 17

Java Sea
New Britain-Truk area
Marshall Islands

2 CV
1 XCV
4 DD

Desdiv 2
JINTSU (F)
Desdiv 8
" 15
" 16
" 18

Java Sea

1 CL

16 DD

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VI. Second Fleet (continued)

Composition:

Locations:

Desron 4
KITAGAMI (F)
Desdiv 2
" 9
" 24

1 CL
12 DD

Java Sea

Subron 4
KOMABASHI
Subdiv 3
" 5

1 AS
6 SS

Operating Indian Ocean

Subron 5
YURA (F)
TAKASAKI
Subdiv 28
" 29
" 30

1 CL)
1 AS)
8 SS)

Java Sea

Subron 6
KINU
Subdiv 9
" 13

1 CL)
4 SS)

Subron 10
KARASAKI
Subdiv 18
" 19
" 21

1 AS
8 SS

Operating Indian Ocean

Summary

4 CV
1 XCV
8 CA ***
2 CL *
34 DD ****
3 AS
22 SS **

* 2 CL out of total of 4 enumerated in composition are considered sunk.
** 4 SS out of total of 26 enumerated in composition are considered sunk.
*** 1 CA " " " " 9 " " " " is " "
**** 2 DD " " " " 36 " " " " are " "

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VII. Third Fleet

Composition:

ASHIGARA (Flag)

Desron 5
NATORT (F)
Desdiv 5
" 22
" 34

Subron 8
CHOKEI (F)
Subdiv 4
" 14
" 25
Minron 3

No. 1 Base Force

NAGARA (F)
Mindiv ?
" 1 & 21
Gunboat Div. 1
Subchaser Divs. 1, 11, 21, 31
Miscellaneous

No. 2 Base Force

NAKA (F)
Mindiv 17

1 CA

1 CL

11 DD

1 AS

8 SS

8 DM

1 CL

3 CM

11 AM

6 XPG

12 PC

Widely dispersed in waters off
S.E. Asia with base in Formosa-
Pescadores area.

Locations

Java Sea

Java Sea

Believed operating in Celebes
waters using Kendari, S.E. Cel-
ebes as base.

Off west coast Luzon, P.I.

Java Sea, except Mindiv and
possibly other units off west
coast of Luzon, P.I.

Java Sea, except Mindiv 17
which is off west coast of Luzon,
P.I.

SUMMARY

1 CA
3 CL
11 DD
1 AS
8 SS
6 CM
8 DM
11 AM
6 XPG
12 PC

VIII. Southern Expeditionary Fleet

In waters S.E. Asia with base in Camranh Bay-Saigon area.

Composition: *

Locations:

CHOKAI (Flagship)	1 CA	Java Sea
ISUZU	1 CL	" "
SHIMUSHU	1 CM	" "
Desdiv 7	4 DD	" "

* KASHII (CL) previously included is considered lost.

IX. Combined Air Force

Airon 6

Kamikawa Maru
Fujikawa Maru

Off Kota-Bharu
Shuttles planes between the
various areas.
Truk

Kanjo Maru

3 XAV

Airon 7

CHITOSE
CHIYODA
MIZUHO

Truk-Marshall area
Java Sea

3 AV

Airon 10

3 XAV

Vicinity Macassar, S.W. Celebes

Airon 11

NISSHIN

1 AV

Vicinity Macassar, S.W. Celebes

2 XAV

Airon 22

Java Sea

3 XAV

Airon 23

Java Sea

3 XAV

Airon 24

KAMOY
NOTORO

New Britain-Truk area
Manado, N. Celebes

2 AV

Summary

6 AV

14 XAV

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**I. 1st China Expeditionary Fleet
and China Fleets Command Unit**

Vicinity of Shanghai and Yangtze River.

IZUMO (Fleet Flag)
Desdiv 21
Gunboat Div.
Patdiv 11

1 OCA
3 DD
4 PG
10 PR

2nd China Expeditionary Fleet

KUMA (F)
Minron 1

Torpddiv 1
Guard Div 15

1 CL Hongkong
1 PG) Patrolling west coast Luzon
3 AM)
4 TB) Off east coast of China
1 PG)

Summary

1 CL
2 PG
4 TB
3 AM

3rd China Expeditionary Fleet

Gulf of Pechili

Torpddiv 11
Torpddiv 21

1 OCA
4 TB
4 TB
1 DD
3 AM

II. Task Force Organization

- (1) Screening Force, CinC 1st Fleet, Commander
 - (a) Batdivs 1 & 2 of 1st Fleet
 - (b) Cardiv 5 and possibly Cardiv 4 of 1st Fleet
 - (c) Fifth Fleet
 - (d) Subron of Sixth Fleet based at Yokosuka
 - (e) Defense Forces of Yokosuka, Kure and Chichijima *

*These forces include 4 OCA, 2 OCL and miscellaneous craft.

III. Fleet Train

Since so many merchant vessels are now employed to augment the Fleet Train, it is impossible to give a complete list.

In the below given summary of Navy listed train vessels, the only ones whose positions are known follow:

XII. Fleet Train (continued)

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NAME
AKASHI (AR)
HAYATOMO (AO))
NARUTO (AO))
KIRIMO (AO))
TSURUMI (AO))

Location
Davao
Providing logistic
support to forces
operating in
Java Sea.

Summary

10 AO
2 AF
2 AC
2 AR
3 ARS

Unassigned - In Home Waters

20 DD
4 DM
1 Target Ship
2 Training Ships
1 Ice Breaker

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Baltic Fleet:

2 CA (1 badly damaged)
4 DL
18 DD (1 badly damaged)
1 ODD
71 SS

Arctic Fleet:

15 DD
4 ODD
26 SS

Black Sea Fleet:

1 OBB (PARISHSKAYA KOMMUNA)
3 CA (2 badly damaged)
2 CL (1 badly damaged)
2 DL (1 badly damaged)
19 DD (2 badly damaged, 1 slightly damaged.)
6 ODD
39 SS

Pacific Fleet:

2 DL
14 DD
3 ODD
102 SS

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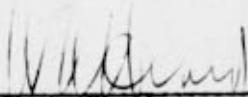
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German, Italian, French (Vichy),
French (British Control), Japanese and Russian

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SUBJECT: German Fleet Disposition.

Ship		Location	Last Reported Date
Type	Name		
BB	TIRPITZ	Trondheim (Aasfjord)	February 23, 1942
BB	SCHARNHORST (1)	Wilhelmshaven	February 13, 1942
BB	GNEISENAU (2)	Kiel	February 22, 1942
OBB	SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN	Kiel	November 29, 1941
OBB	SCHLESSEN (3)	Off Gjedser	February 16, 1942
CV	GRAF ZEPPELIN	Gdynia	January 11, 1942
CA	ADMIRAL SCHEER (4)	Trondheim (Lofjord)	February 23, 1942
CA	LUETZOW	Swinemunde	January 24, 1942
CA	SEYDLITZ	Bremen	January 11, 1942
CA	PRINZ EUGEN (5)	Brunsbuettel	February 13, 1942
CA	ADMIRAL HIPPER (6)	Hamburg	January 25, 1942
CL	MUERWBERG	Kiel	January 22, 1942
CL	LEIPZIG	Baltic - probably Gdynia	February 12, 1942
CL	KOELN	Baltic	December 11, 1941
CL	EMDEN	Baltic - probably Gdynia	February 12, 1942
DD's (7)	11 Units	North Sea	February 17, 1942
	4 Units	Kiel	February 17, 1942
	2 Units	Baltic	February 17, 1942
SS's (8)	93 Units*	Atlantic, N. Sea, Baltic Bases	February 23, 1942
	37 Units	Operating in Atlantic	February 23, 1942
	61 Units*	Trials/Training, Baltic	February 23, 1942
	30 Units	Mediterranean	January 4, 1942
	4 Units	Black Sea	January 4, 1942
	225 Total *		

*Estimated

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- Notes:
- (1) Photo reconnaissance of Wilhelmshaven at 1600 February 22, 1942 showed a battle cruiser in Hipperhaven. This must have been SCHARNHORST.
 - (2) Previously reported Brunsbuettel February 13, 1942.
 - (3) SCHLESSEN was reported making for Kiel February 16, 1942.
 - (4) Previously reported: Baltic, probably Kiel, February 12, 1942.
 - (5) The Hipper Class cruiser reported by the Admiralty to have been enroute to Trondheim February 21 and February 22 accompanied by a "pocket battleship" and three (3) DD's is believed by Alusna London to have been PRINZ EUGEN.
 - (6) The Hipper class cruiser mentioned above may have been the HIPPER.
 - (7) Three (3) DD's were reported to be accompanying a "pocket battleship" and Hipper class cruiser enroute to Trondheim February 21 and February 22. (See Note 5).
 - (8) Submarines previously reported:

87 Units, Atlantic, N.Sea,	
Baltic Bases - Feb.16,1942	
43 Units, Operations in	
Atlantic - Feb.16,1942	
61 Units, Trials/Train-	
ing, Baltic - Feb.16,1942	
30 Units, Mediterranean- Jan.4,1942	
4 Units, Black Sea - Jan.4,1942	
<u>225 Total (Estimated)</u>	

Note: Daily average number of submarines operating in the Atlantic: approximately 45.

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DISPOSITION OF ITALIAN FLEET

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
BB	LITTORIO	Taranto (1)	February 3, 1942
BB	CESARE	"	" " "
BB	DUILIO	"	" " "
BB	DORIO	"	" " "
CL's	4 Units	"	" " "
CVS	MIRAGLIA	"	" " "
DD's	14 Units	"	" " "
SS's	13 Units	"	" " "
CA's	2 Units	Messina	January 17, 1942
CL's	1 Unit	"	" " "
DD's	6 Units	"	" " "
SS's	3 Units	"	" " "
CA's	2 Units	Genoa (repairing)	November 21, 1941
OEM	1 Unit	" (harbor defense)	June 1941
DD's	4 Units	" (repairing)	December 13, 1941
SS's	1 Unit	" (repairing)	January 5, 1942
SS's	5 Units (*)	La Spezia	December 31, 1941
BB	VITTORIO VENETO	Naples (repairing)	January 7, 1942
DD's	6 Units (*)	" "	December 31, 1941
SS's	4 Units	" "	January 7, 1942
DD's	5 Units	Palermo	January 17, 1942
DD's	0 Units (*) (2)	Livorno	(?)
DD's	2 Units	Anzio-Nettuno	August 12, 1941
DD's	3 Units	Trapani	December 31, 1941
SS's	2 Units	"	" " "
DD's	9 Units	Maddalena	August 13, 1941
SS's	0 Units (*)	"	December 31, 1941
SS's	4 Units (*)	Cagliari	December 31, 1941
DD's	3 Units	Augusta	December 31, 1941
SS's	5 Units (*)	"	" " "

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Disposition of Italian Fleet (cont'd)

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
X DD's	0 Units (*)	Brindisi	December 31, 1941
SS's	6 Units	"	" " "
X OCL	1 Unit	Pola (Navy Yd. Depot Ship)	June, 1941
X OCL	1 Unit	Ancona	January 7, 1941
X CL's	1 Unit (*)	N. Aegean	December 31, 1941
X DD's	1 Unit	Dodecanese Is.	January 22, 1942
SS's	7 Units	" "	" " "
X SS's	6 Units (3)	Bordeaux	January 7, 1942
SS's	0 Units (*)	Lorient	December 31, 1941
X DD's	4 Units	Tripoli	January 27, 1941
BB	CAVOUR	Unknown	
CL's	3 Units (*)	"	
DD	26 Units (*)	"	
SS's	7 Units (*)	"	
OCL's	1 Unit (Ex-Yugoslav)	Teodo	October 15, 1941
DD's	1 Unit " "	"	" " "
SS's	3 Units " "	"	" " "

(*) Indicates change from last report.

- (1) On February 22nd an Italian convoy of 3 merchant ships, protected by a naval escort consisting of the battleship LITTORIO, 2 cruisers and 4 destroyers, was sighted 180 miles north-northwest of Benghazi.
- (2) It is believed that work has been completed on the three destroyers which have been repairing at Livorno and that they have returned to service.
- (3) Of the 6 submarines basing at Bordeaux, three are at sea and are operating between the Azores and Gibraltar.

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DISPOSITION OF FRENCH (VICHY) FLEET

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
BB	DUNKERQUE (*)	Toulon	February 21, 1942 (1)
BB	STRASBOURG	"	December 10, 1941
OBB	PROVENCE	"	December 10, 1941
CA	4 Units	"	August 15, 1941
CL	3 Units	"	August 15, 1941
DL	16 Units (*)	"	August 15, 1941 (2)
DD	12 Units (*)	"	August 15, 1941
SS	7 Units (*)	"	August 15, 1941 (3)
BB	0 Units (*)	Oran	February 21, 1942 (1)
DD	0 Units (*)	"	February 6, 1942 (4)
SS	2 Units (*)	"	February 6, 1942 (5)
DD	6 Units (*)	Bizerte	January 14, 1942
SS	12 Units	"	December 8, 1941
BB	JEAN BART (incomplete)	Casablanca	February 14, 1942 (6)
CL	1 Unit	"	February 14, 1942
DL	3 Units (*)	"	February 14, 1942
DD	4 Units (*)	"	February 14, 1942
SS	7 Units (*)	"	February 17, 1942
BB	RICHELIEU (damaged)	Dakar	January 16, 1942
CL	3 Units	"	January 1, 1942
DL	3 Units	"	January 28, 1942
SS	10 Units	"	January 16, 1942 (7)
SS	3 Units	Madagascar	December 13, 1941
CV	BEARN	Martinique	December 30, 1941
CL	1 Unit	"	December 30, 1941
CL	1 Unit	Guadeloupe	December 30, 1941
CL	1 Unit	Saigon	October 13, 1941
DL	3 Units (*)	Unknown	February 6, 1942
DE	6 Units (*)	"	February 2, 1942
SS	20 Units (*)	"	February 17, 1942 (8)

(*) Indicates changes since February 17 report.

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Disposition of French (Vichy) Fleet (continued)

- (1) DUNKERQUE departed Oran February 19 and arrived Toulon February 21 under own power. Minimum of 6 months estimated for completion of repairs.
- (2) KERSAINT, formerly at Toulon, departed Algiers February 18, for unknown destination. Now carried as unreported.
- (3) 9 SS's may now be at Toulon. PASCAL and POINCARRE reported enroute Toulon for repairs. Notice of arrival not received and vessels are carried as unreported.
- (4) 2 destroyers (DL or DD) departed Oran February 19, for unknown destination. 1 DD had been carried at Oran. The other is assumed to be one formerly carried as unreported.
- (5) 2 SS's departed Oran February 19, for unknown destination. Now carried as unreported.
- (6) Four A.A. batteries reported in place and firing practice held on February 13.
- (7) 3 SS's departed Casablanca February 17, for Dakar. Notice of arrival not received and vessels are carried as unreported.
- (8) 5 of these are enroute known destination, but notice of arrival not received. See notes (3) and (7).

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DISPOSITION OF FREE FRENCH (BRITISH) FLEET

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
OBE	COURBET	Portsmouth	March 25, 1941
DL	1 Unit	"	March 25, 1941
DD	4 Units	"	March 25, 1941
OBE	PARIS	Plymouth	March 25, 1941
DD	3 Units	"	March 25, 1941
SS	2 Units	"	March 25, 1941
SS	2 Units	Southampton	March 25, 1941
SS	1 Unit	Swansea	March 25, 1941
SS	1 Unit	Unknown British Port	August 21, 1941
DL	1 Unit (*)	Noumea	February 6, 1942 (1)
SS	1 Unit (*)	Unknown	February 21, 1942 (2)

(*) Denotes changes since February 17 report.

- (1) DL LE TRIOMPHANT, Free French manned, is now listed under Royal New Zealand Navy.
- (2) SS SURCOUF overdue in Panama Canal Zone February 21. Reported accidental ramming and sinking of craft believed to be a submarine in Canal Zone.

IMMOBILIZED FRENCH VESSELS

OBB	LORRAINE	Alexandria	December 17, 1941
CA	3 Units	"	December 17, 1941
CL	1 Unit	"	December 17, 1941
DD	3 Units	"	December 17, 1941
SS	1 Unit	"	December 17, 1941

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SUBJECT: Japanese Fleet Locations

The below listed locations of Japanese naval forces are estimates based principally on radio intelligence, although some sight contacts are included which are so noted. The Compositions of forces although confirmed in some instances by radio intelligence are in others built around fragmentary reports to present what is considered the most likely estimates. It is believed that this forms a fair general approximation.

<u>Combined Fleet</u>	<u>Location</u>
* BB - YAMATO - Flag of CinC Combined Fleet	Believed in Southern Mandates

I. First Fleet *

Composition:

✓ Batdiv 1
NAGATO (F)
MUTSU
YAMASHIRO

Batdiv 2
MYUGA
ISE

Uncertain, but believed to
have returned to home waters.

5 BB

✓ Batdiv 3 **
HIYEI
KIRISHIMA
KONGO
FUSO

} Probably Palau area

4 BB } Uncertain, but believed west of
Borneo.

✓ Cardiv 1
AMAGI (F)
KAGA

2 CV, 4 DD

Off S. E. Celebes

✓ Cardiv 4
KORYU
KASUGA

2 CV, 4 DD

Unlocated

✓ Cardiv 5 ***
ZUIKARU
SHOKAKU

2 CV, 4 DD

At Yokosuka

✓ Crudiv 5
MYOKO

NACHI
HAGURO

Believed returning south, repairs
completed.

3 CA } Unknown

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I. First Fleet (Continued)

Composition:

Location

Crudiv 6

AOBA

KINUGASA

2 CA

New Britain

Crudiv 8

TOBE

CHIKUMA

2 CA

Enroute N.E.I. from home waters
New Britain

Desron 1

ADUKUMA

Desdiv 6

" 21

" 27

1 CL

Uncertain, may have returned
home waters

12 DD

Desron 3

SENDAI

Desdiv 11

" 12

" 19

1 CL

Uncertain. Possibly Borneo-
Sumatra area,

15 DD

Summary

10 BB

6 CV

7 CA

2 CL

39 DD

- * The Special Task Force has been placed back in the 1st Fleet.
- * Flag of CinC, Combined Fleet was shifted recently to YAMATO, a new BB, which has been substituted for KII, the name heretofore assigned tentatively to the new ship.
- ** Tentative assignment.
- *** Formerly listed as Cardiv 4

II. Fourth Fleet

This fleet is now split up as follows:

Composition:

Locations

Crudiv 18 *

3 CL

New Britain

Desron 6 *

1 CL

New Britain

8 DD

Subron 7

1 AS

Uncertain. Possibly New Guinea-
New Britain area.

9 SS

Miscellaneous -

Mostly at Truk

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SUMMARY

4 CL
8 DD
1 AS
9 SS
1 CM
8 XPG
1 Survey Ship

* Sighted St. George's Channel: 1 cruiser, 6 DD on February 20.

III. Mandated Islands Base Defense Forces

- | | | |
|------|---|--|
| ✓ 1. | 3rd Base Force - Palau | 4 XPG
4 SS
AP & AK* |
| ✓ 2. | 4th Base Force - Truk | AP & AK* |
| ✓ 3. | 5th Base Force - Saipan * | 2 CM
3 XPG
AP & AK* |
| ✓ 4. | 6th Base Force - Jaluit, except
one detachment at Wake
* Total of | 4 XAM
3 PC
41 AP & AK |
| X 5. | 7th Base Force - Wake | Miscellaneous craft probably
including a few SS and probably
an air group. |
| ✓ 6. | 8th Base Force - Makin ** | Portion of an air group |

* Gunboat Div 18 of unknown composition transferred to New Britain.
** Tentative. May be included in 6th Base Force.

IV. Sixth Fleet (Submarine Fleet)

Composition:
KATORI (Flag)

Subron 1

Subron 2

Subron 3

Location
1 CL In home waters.

1 AS
7 SS + One squadron is in the
Marshall-Wake area, one
operates from home ports,
1 AS and the third is scattered
7 SS + in the Pacific.
1 XAS
9 SS +

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1 CL
2 AS
1 XAS
19 SS +

+ 1 SS of total of 23 enumerated above are considered sunk.

V. Fifth Fleet

Based off Northern Honshu this fleet is believed disposed defensively in home waters.

TAMA (?), (Flag)

1 CL

Minron 2

8 DM

Patron

About 20 armed merchantmen

VI. Second Fleet

Widely dispersed in waters off S.E. Asia with base Camranh Bay-Saigon area.

CA - ATAGO - Flag of CinC, 2nd Fleet 1 CA

Off east coast Sumatra.

Composition:

Location

Crudiv 4

TAKAO

MAYA

KAKO

FURUTAKA

4 CA

Probably off east coast Sumatra. One is at Anambas Island.

Crudiv 7

KUMANO (F)

MOCAMI

MIKUMA

SUZUYA

4 CA

Two of this division are at Anambas Island. The rest off east coast Sumatra.

Cardiv 2

SORYU

HIRYU

Desdiv 23

2 CV

4 DD

Off S.E. Celebes

Cardiv 3

RYUJC

HOSHO

NITTA MARU

Desdiv 17

2 CV

1 XCV

4 DD

Borneo-Sumatra area
New Britain
Marshall Islands

Desron 2

JINTSU (F)

Desdiv 8

" 15

" 16

" 18

1 CL

16 DD

Offensive operations off S.E. Celebes

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VI. Second Fleet (Continued)

Composition:

Location

Desron 4

✓ KITAGAMI (F)

1 CL

Off Southern Celebes

Desdiv 2

" 9

12 DD

" 24

Subron 4

✗ KOMABASHI

1 AS

Operating Indian Ocean

Subdiv 3

" 5

6 SS

Subron 5

✓ YURA (F)

1 CL)

Operating offensively -

TAKASAKI

1 AS)

Java-Timor

Subdiv 28

" 29

8 SS)

" 30

Subron 6

✓ KINU

1 CL)

Subdiv 9

" 13

4 SS)

Subron 10

✓ KARASAKI

1 AS

Operating Indian Ocean

Subdiv 18

" 19

8 SS

" 21

SUMMARY

4 CV

1 KCV

9 CA

2 CL *

36 DD

3 AS

22 SS **

* 2 CL out of total of 4 enumerated in composition are considered sunk.
 ** 4 SS out of total of 26 enumerated in composition are considered sunk.

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VIII. Third Fleet

Widely dispersed in waters off S.E. Asia with base in Formosa-Pescadores area.

Composition:

Locations

ASHIGARA (Flag)

1 CA

Off Southern Celebes

Desron 5

NATORI (F)

1 CL

Believed at or near Anambas Island.

Desdiv 5

" 22

" 34

12 DD

Subron 8

CHOGEI (F)

1 AS

Believed operating in Celebes waters using Kendari, S.E. Celebes as base.

Subdiv 4

" 14

" 25

8 SS

Minron 3

8 DM

Off west coast Luzon, P.I.

No. 1 Base Force

NAGARA (F)

1 CL

Mindiv ?

3 CM

Offensive operations in Celebes area, except Mindivs and possibly other units off west coast of Luzon, P.I.

" 1 & 21

11 AM

Gunboat Div. 1

6 XPG

Subchaser Divs. 1,11,21,31

12 PC

Miscellaneous

No. 2 Base Force

NAKA (F)

1 CL

Mindiv 17

3 CM

Offensive operations in Celebes area, except Mindiv 17 which is off west coast of Luzon, P.I.

SUMMARY

1 CA

3 CL

12 DD

1 AS

8 SS

6 CM

8 DM

11 AM

6 XPG

12 PC

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VIII. Southern Expeditionary Fleet

In waters S.E. Asia with base in
Camranh-Bay-Saigon area.

Composition:

Location

CHOKAI (Flagship)

1 CA

Off East coast Sumatra

Crudiv

KASHII

ISUZU

2 CL

" " " "

SHIMUSHU

1 CM

Off S.E. coast, Malaya

Desdiv 7

4 DD

Off East Coast, Sumatra

IX.

Combined Air Force

Airon 6

KAMIKAWA MARU

FUJIKAWA MARU

KENJO MARU

3 XAV

Off S.E. Sumatra

Airon 7

CHITOSE

CHIYODA

MIZUHO

3 AV

Offensive operations, South of
Celebes

Airon 11

NISSHIN

1 AV

Believed near Macassar

2 XAV

Airon 22

3 XAV

Offensive operations, South of
Celebes.

Airon 23

3 XAV

Offensive operations, South of
Celebes.

Airon 24

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KIYOZUMI

2 AV
1 XAV
SUMMARY
6 AV
11 XAV

New Britain
Marshall Islands

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X. 1st China Expeditionary Fleet
and China Fleets Command Unit

Vicinity of Shanghai and Yangtze River.

IZUMO (Fleet Flag)
Desdiv 21
Gunboat Div.
Patdiv 11

1 OCA
3 DD
4 PG
10 PR

2nd China Expeditionary Fleet

KUMA (F)
Minron 1

Torpddiv 1
Guard Div. 15

1 CL Hongkong
1 PG }
3 AM } Patrolling west coast Luzon
4 TB }
1 PG } Off east coast of China

SUMMARY

1 CL
2 PG
4 TB
3 AM

3rd China Expeditionary Fleet

Gulf of Pechili

Torpddiv 11
Torpddiv 21

1 OCA
4 TB
4 TB
1 DD
3 AM

XI. Task Force Organization

- (1) Screening Force, CinC 1st Fleet, Commander
 - (a) Batdivs 1 & 2 of 1st Fleet
 - (b) Cardiv 5 and possibly Cardiv 4 of 1st Fleet
 - (c) Fifth Fleet
 - (d) Subron of Sixth Fleet based at Yokosuka
 - (e) Defense forces of Yokosuka, Kure and Chichijima *

* These forces include 4 OCA, 2 OCL and miscellaneous craft.

XII. Fleet Train

Since so many merchant vessels are now employed to augment the Fleet Train, it is impossible to give a complete list.

In the below given summary of Navy listed train vessels, the only ones whose positions are known follow:

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XII. Fleet Train (Continued)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>Location</u>
AKASHI (AR)	Davao
HAYATOMO (AO))	Operating with fleet in
NARUTO (AO))	Celebes area
XXXXXXXXXX <i>Sunk</i>	Operating with fleet in Malaya- Sumatra area

SUMMARY

10 AO
2 AF
2 AC
2 AR
3 ARS

Unassigned - In Home Waters

20 DD
4 DM
1 Target Ship
2 Training Ships
1 Ice Breaker

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Baltic Fleet:

2 CA (KIROV; ORDZHONIKIDZE. KIROV badly damaged.)
4 DL
18 DD (1 badly damaged.)
1 ODD
71 SS

Arctic Fleet:

15 DD
4 ODD
26 SS

Black Sea Fleet:

1 ORB (PARISHSKAYA KOMMUNA)
3 CA (VOROSHILOV; MOLOTOV; KRASNI KAVKAS. VOROSHILOV and KRASNI KAVKAS
badly damaged.)
2 CL (KRASNI KRIM; CHERNOVAYA UKRAINA badly damaged.)
2 DL (1 badly damaged.)
19 DD (2 badly damaged, 1 slightly damaged.)
6 ODD
39 SS

Pacific Fleet:

2 DL
14 DD
3 ODD
102 SS

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FLEET LOCATIONS

German, Italian, French (Vichy),
French (British Control), Japanese and Russian

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SUBJECT: German Fleet Disposition.

Ship	:	:	:
Type :	Name	Location	Last Reported Date
BB	TIRPITZ	Trondheim (Aasfjord)	February 15, 1942
BB	SCHARNHORST(1)	Wilhelmshaven	February 13, 1942
BB	GNEISENAU(1)	Brunsbuettel	February 13, 1942
OB	SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN	Kiel	November 29, 1941
OB	SCHLESSEN(2)	Off Gjedser	February 16, 1942
CV	GRAF ZEPPELIN	Gdynia	January 11, 1942
CA	ADMIRAL SCHEER(3)	Baltic - probably Kiel	February 12, 1942
CA	LUETZOW(4)	Swinemuende	January 24, 1942
GA	SEYDLITZ	Bremen	January 11, 1942
CA	PRINZ EUGEN(1)	Brunsbuettel	February 13, 1942
CA	ADMIRAL HIPPER(5)	Hamburg	January 25, 1942
CL	MUEHNBERG(6)	Kiel	January 15, 1942
CL	LEIPZIG(7)	Baltic - probably Gdynia	February 12, 1942
CL	KOELN(8)	Baltic	December 11, 1941
CL	EMDEN(9)	Baltic - probably Gdynia	February 12, 1942
DD's(10)	11 Units	North Sea	February 17, 1942
	4 Units	Kiel	February 17, 1942
	2 Units	Baltic	February 17, 1942
SS's(11)	87 Units *	Atlantic, N. Sea, Baltic Bases	February 16, 1942
	43 Units	Operations in Atlantic	February 16, 1942
	61 Units *	Trials/Training, Baltic	February 16, 1942
	30 Units	Mediterranean	January 4, 1942
	4 Units	Black Sea	January 4, 1942
	225 Total *		

*Estimated

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- (2) Previously reported at Kiel, November 29, 1941; was making for Kiel, February 16, 1942.
- (3) ADMIRAL SCHEER previously reported at Trondheim, February 10, 1942.
- (4) Previously reported at Kiel, December 11, 1941; it is reported that LUETZOW will winter here.
- (5) Previously reported operating in the Baltic, December 11, 1941.
- (6) Previously reported Flensburg, December 11, 1941.
- (7) Previously reported operating in the Baltic, December 11, 1941.
- (8) Previously reported operating in the Baltic, December 11, 1941. It is anticipated that KOELN will pass Kiel Canal to Wilhelms-haven, February 18, or 19, 1942.
- (9) Previously reported operating in Baltic, December 11, 1941.
- (10) DD's previously reported on February 10: 7 units, Trondheim
4 units, Brest
- (11) SS's previously reported on February 10: 90 Units, Atlantic, N. Sea,
Baltic Bases
40 Units, Operating Atlantic
61 Units, Trials/Training
Baltic
30 Units, Mediterranean
4 Units, Black Sea
225 Total (Estimated)

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DISPOSITION OF ITALIAN FLEET

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
BB	LITTORIO	Taranto	February 3, 1942
BB	CESARE	"	February 3, 1942
BB	DUILIO	"	February 3, 1942
BB	DORIA	"	February 3, 1942
CL's	4 Units	"	February 3, 1942
CVS	MIRAGLIA	"	February 3, 1942
DD's	14 Units	"	February 3, 1942
SS's	13 Units	"	February 3, 1942
CA's	2 Units	Messina	January 17, 1942
CL's	1 Unit	"	January 17, 1942
DD's	6 Units	"	January 17, 1942
SS's	3 Units	"	January 17, 1942
CA's	2 Units	Genoa (repairing)	November 21, 1941
OEM	1 Unit	" (harbor defense)	June 1941
DD's	4 Units	" (repairing)	December 13, 1941
SS	1 Unit (*)	" (repairing)	January 5, 1942
BB	VITTORIO VENETO (*)	Naples (repairing)	January 7, 1942
SS's	4 Units (*)	" "	January 7, 1942
DD's	5 Units	Palermo	January 17, 1942
DD's	3 Units	Livorno (repairing)	August 13, 1941
DD's	2 Units	Anzio-Nettuno	August 12, 1941
DD's	3 Units	Trapani	November 19, 1941
SS's	2 Units	"	November 19, 1941
DD's	9 Units	Maddalena	August 13, 1941
SS's	7 Units	"	November 18, 1941
SS's	5 Units	Cagliari	December 8, 1941
DD's	3 Units	Augusta	December 8, 1941
SS's	4 Units	"	December 8, 1941
DD's	6 Units	Brindisi	December 8, 1941
SS's	6 Units	"	December 8, 1941
OCL	1 Unit	Pola (Navy Yard Depot Ship)	June 1941
OCL	1 Unit	Ancona	January 7, 1941

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Disposition of Italian Fleet (cont'd)

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
DD's	1 Unit (*)	N. Aegean & Dodecanese Is.	January 22, 1942
SS's	7 Units (*)	"	January 22, 1942
SS's	6 Units (*) (1)	Bordeaux	January 7, 1942
SS's	2 Units	Lorient (repairing)	November 19, 1941
DD's	4 Units (*)	Tripoli	January 27, 1942
BB	CAVOUR	Unknown	
CL's	4 Units	"	
DD's	23 Units (*)	"	
SS's	3 Units (*) (2)	"	
OCL	1 Unit (Ex Yugoslav)	Teodo	October 15, 1941
DD	1 Unit " "	"	October 15, 1941
SS	3 Units " "	"	October 15, 1941

(*) Indicates change from last report.

- (1) Two of these submarines were at sea at 50°00'N, 29°00'W and 40°00'N, 15°00'W on February 11, 1942.
- (2) Italian submarine lost according to communique of February 16, 1942.

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DISPOSITION OF FRENCH (VICHY) FLEET

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
BB	STRASBOURG	Toulon	December 10, 1941
OBB	PROVENCE	"	December 10, 1941
CA	4 Units	"	August 15, 1941
CL	3 Units	"	August 15, 1941
DL	17 Units	"	August 15, 1941
DD	13 Units	"	August 15, 1941
SS	11 Units	"	August 15, 1941
BB	DUNKERQUE (damaged)	Oran	February 6, 1942 (1)
DL	0 Units (*)	"	February 6, 1942 (2)
DD	1 Unit	"	February 6, 1942
SS	4 Units (*)	"	February 6, 1942 (3)
DD	5 Units	Bizerte	December 8, 1941
SS	12 Units	"	December 8, 1941
BB	JEAN BART (incomplete)	Casablanca	February 5, 1942
CL	1 Unit	"	January 31, 1942
DD	5 Units	"	January 31, 1942
SS	13 Units	"	January 31, 1942
BB	RICHELIEU (damaged)	Dakar	January 16, 1942
CL	3 Units	"	January 1, 1942
DL	3 Units	"	January 28, 1942
SS	10 Units	"	January 16, 1942 (4)
SS	3 Units	Madagascar	December 13, 1941
CV	BEARN	Martinique	December 30, 1941
CL	1 Unit	"	December 30, 1941
CL	1 Unit	Guadeloupe	December 30, 1941
CL	1 Unit	Saigon	October 13, 1941
DL	5 Units (*)	Unknown	February 6, 1942 (2)
DD	4 Units	"	February 2, 1942
SS	8 Units (*)	"	February 6, 1942 (3)

(*) Indicates changes since February 10th report.

(1) Reported that fire of January 30th did extensive damage to electric system.

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Disposition of French (Vichy) Fleet (continued)

- (2) CASSARD, formerly carried at Oran, not listed at this port as of February 6th. Now carried as unreported.
- (3) PASCAL and POINCARE were due to depart Oran January 31 for Toulon; these two SS's, with the ORPHEE and MEDUSE, not listed at Oran as of February 6th, are now carried as unreported. The ARGONAUTE and DIANE reported recently to have been supplied with torpedoes and complete war equipment. ARIANE and DANAE are seaworthy but reported that their batteries are not in good condition and that the underwater range of these ships is only 20 kilometers.
- (4) BEVEZIERS due to depart February 11th for Madagascar. No notice as to actual departure.

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DISPOSITION OF FREE FRENCH (BRITISH) FLEET

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
OBB	COURBET	Portsmouth	March 25, 1941
DL	1 Unit	"	March 25, 1941
ID	4 Units	"	March 25, 1941
OBB	PARIS	Plymouth	March 25, 1941
ID	3 Units	"	March 25, 1941
SS	2 Units	"	March 25, 1941
SS	2 Units	Southampton	March 25, 1941
SS	1 Unit	Swansea	March 25, 1941
SS	1 Unit	Unknown British Port.	August 21, 1941
DL	1 Unit (*)	Sydney	February 12, 1942 (1)
SS	1 Unit (*)	Caribbean Sea	February 16, 1942 (2)

- (*) Indicates changes since February 10 report.
 (1) LE TRIOMPHANT, previously reported at Noumea.
 (2) SURCOUF, previously reported at Bermuda.

IMMOBILIZED FRENCH VESSELS

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
OBB	LORRAINE	Alexandria	December 17, 1941
CA	3 Units	"	December 17, 1941
CL	1 Unit	"	December 17, 1941
DD	3 Units	"	December 17, 1941
SS	1 Unit	"	December 17, 1941

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MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Japanese Fleet Locations.

The below listed locations of Japanese naval forces are estimates based principally on radio intelligence, although some sight contacts are included which are so noted. The compositions of forces although confirmed in some instances by radio intelligence are in others built around fragmentary reports to present what is considered the most likely estimates. It is believed that this forms a fair general approximation.

I. First Fleet

BB - NAGATO - Flag of CinC Combined Fleet

Not definitely located
but believed in vicinity
Lamotrek, Caroline Islands.

Composition

Batdiv 1

NAGATO (F)
MUTSU
YAMASHIRO

Batdiv 2

HYUGA
ISE
KII 6 BB

Crudiv 5

MYOKO
NACHI
HAGURO

Crudiv 6

AOBA
KINUGASA 5 CA

Desron 3

SENDAI

1 CL

Desdiv 11

" 12

" 19

" 20

15 DD

Airon 7

CHITOSE (F)
CHIYODA
MIZUHO

Operating with attack
force in Celebes area.

3 AV

Combined Fleet Train

Miscellaneous

Note:

A Screening Force has recently been organized. Its composition as best known to date follows:

CinC First Fleet - Commander

Certain units, including capital ships, of First Fleet

Cardiv 5 of Second Fleet (Possibly also Cardiv 4 of Special Task Force)

Subron 6 which recently returned to Yokosuka

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Fifth Fleet.

Defense Forces of Yokosuka, Kure and Chichijima (Bonin Islands)
Since the above organization is not yet sufficiently definitive
the above units continue to appear in their original organizations.

The mission of the Screening Force is believed to be the
defense of Japan Proper.

SUMMARY

6 BB
5 CA
1 CL
3 AV
15 DD
8 AO
1 AF
2 AR
1 AC

II. Special Task Force

Composition:

This force is now split
up as noted below:

Locations:

Batdiv 3
HIYET (F)
KIRISHIMA

Believed in Palau area

* KONGO
* FUSO

4 BB

Cardiv 1
KAGA

Menado-Kendari area

AKAGI

2 CV

Desdiv 7

4 DD

Cardiv 4

ZUIKARU

Not definitely known.
Believed in Palau-Truk
area.

SHOKAKU

2 CV

Desdiv 3

3 DD

Cruidiv 8

TONE

Believed near Home Waters
New Britain

CHIKUMA

2 CA

Desron 1

ABUKUMA

Vicinity Truk

Desdiv 6

1 CL

Desdiv 21

Desdiv 27

10 DD

* Transferred from Second Fleet. Fuso may still be at Takao.

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Summary

4 BB
 4 CV
 2 CA
 1 CL
 17 DD

III. Fourth Fleet

Composition:

Crudiv 18*

3 CL

This fleet is now split up
 as follows:

Locations

New Britain

Desron 6*

1 CL
 8 DD

New Britain

Subron 7

2 AS
 9 SS

Operating out of base at
 Kendari, Celebes

Airon 24

1 AV
 Several XAV

Marshall Islands, except
 Kamoi near New Britain

Patron 2

1 AV

Marshall Islands

Miscellaneous -

Mostly at Truk

SUMMARY

3 CL /
 2 AV
 Several XAV
 8 DD
 2 AS
 9 SS
 1 CM
 8 XPG
 1 Survey Ship

* Sighted at Rabaul on February 14 were 3 CL and 2 DD of Desron 6;
 at Gasmata 4 DD of Desron 6.

/ 1 CL out of total of 4 CL enumerated above is considered sunk.

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IV. Mandated Islands Base Defense Forces

- | | |
|---|--|
| 1. 3rd Base Force - Palau | 4 XPG
4 SS
AP & AK* |
| 2. 4th Base Force - Truk | AP & AK* |
| 3. 5th Base Force - Saipan | 2 CM
3 XPG
AP & AK* |
| 4. 6th Base Force - Jaluit, except one detachment at Wake | 4 XAM
3 PC
* Total of 41 AP & AK |

V. Sixth Fleet (Submarine Fleet)

Composition:

KATORI (Flag)

1 CL Believed enroute Yokosuka

Subron 1

1 AS The Submarine Fleet is
6 SS / based at Jaluit where
are now believed to

Subron 2

1 AS be perhaps one AS
5 SS / and one Subron in
the Wake-Marshall area.

Subron 3

1 XAS The remainder are
6 SS / scattered.

SUMMARY

1 CL
2 AS
1 XAS
15 SS /

/ 2 SS of total of 17 enumerated above are considered sunk.

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VI. Fifth Fleet

This Fleet is believed in home waters off Northern Honshu.

TAMA (?), (Flag) 1 CL
 Minron 2 8 DM

The entire composition of this fleet is unknown. Attached to it are probably several patrol craft in addition.

VII. Second Fleet

Widely dispersed in waters off S.E. Asia with base Camranh Bay-Saigon area.

CA - ATAGO - flag of CinC, 2nd Fleet

Composition:

Locations

Crudiv 4
 ATAGO (F)

KAKO
 FURUTAKA

3 CA

Location uncertain. May be in Takao, Formosa area.
 Offensive operations off S.E. Sumatra.

Crudiv 7
 KUMANO (F)
 MOGAMI
 MIKUMA
 SUZUYA

4 CA

Off S.E. Sumatra

Cardiv 3
 RYUJO
 HOSHO
 NITTA MARU
 Desdiv 17

2 CV
 1 XCV
 3 DD

Believed enroute Davao except HOSHO, which is in Truk area.

Cardiv 5
 KORYU
 KASUGA
 Desdiv ?

2 CV
 3 DD

Bonin Islands - Yokosuka

Desron 2
 JINTSU (F)
 Desdiv 8
 " 15
 " 16
 " 18

1 CL
 15 DD

Offensive operations off S.E. Sumatra

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VII. Second Fleet (continued)

<u>Composition</u>		<u>Locations</u>
<u>Desron 4</u>		Believed near Anambas Isl.
KITAGAMI (F)	1 CL	
Desdiv 2		
" 9		
" 24	10 DD	
<u>Subron 5</u>		
YURA (*)	1 CL	Operating in Indian Ocean or Malaya-Sumatra area
TAKASAKI	1 AS	
Subdiv 28		
" 29		
" 30	5 SS	
<u>Subron 10</u>		
KARASAKI	1 AS	
Subdiv 18		
" 19		
" 21	8 SS	
** Two unidentified Subrons	1 CL	
	10 SS	
* Airron 22	3 XAV	Bangka Straits area

SUMMARY

2 BB
7 CA
4 CV
1 XCV
2 CL /
31 DD
2 AS
23 SS
3 XAV

- * This Airron has been tentatively assigned to Second Fleet.
- ** Added because reports indicate total of four squadrons in this area.
- / One CL out of total of 3 enumerated in composition is considered sunk.

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VIII. Third Fleet

Widely dispersed in waters off
S.E. Asia with base in Formosa-
Pescadores area.

Composition:

Locations

ASHIGARA (Flag)	1 CA	Palau area.
<u>Cardiv 2</u>		
SORYU		Offensive operations in Celebes
HIRYU	2 CV	Area.
KOKUYO MARU	1 XCV	
Desdiv 23	4 DD	
<u>Desron 5</u>		
NATORI (F)	1 CL	Believed in Celebes area.
Desdiv 5		
" 22		
" 34	12 DD	
<u>Subron</u>		
CHOGEI (F)	1 AS	Believed operating in Celebes
Subdiv ?	6 SS	waters using Kendari, S.E. Cel-
" ?	8 DM	ebes as base.
Minron 3		Off west coast Luzon, P.I.
<u>Airon 6</u>	3 XAV	Off S.E. Malaya
<u>No. 1 Base Force</u>		
NAGARA (F)	1 CL	Offensive operations in Celebes
Mindiv (?)	3 CM	area, except Mindivs and possi-
Mindiv 1 & 21	11 AM	bly other units off west coast
Gunboat Div. 1	6 XPG	of Luzon, P.I.
Subchasers Divs. 1, 11, 21, 31	12 PC	
Miscellaneous		
<u>No. 2 Base Force</u>		
NAKA (F)	1 CL	Offensive operations in Celebes
Mindiv 17	3 CM	area, except Mindiv 17 which is
		off west coast of Luzon, P.I.

SUMMARY

1 CA
2 CV
1 XCV
3 CL
16 DD
1 AS
6 SS
3 XAV
6 CM
8 DM
11 AM
6 XPG
12 PC

Misc.
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IX. Southern Expeditionary Fleet

In waters S.E. Asia with base in Camranh Bay-Saigon area.

Composition:

Locations:

KASHII (Flagship)	1 CL	Off Anambas Island
<u>Cruidiv</u>		
CHOKAI	1 CA	
ISUZU	1 CL	" " "
SHIMUSHU	1 CM	Off S.E. coast, Malaya
Desdiv 7	4 DD	Off West coast, Borneo

X. 1st China Expeditionary Fleet and China Fleets Command Unit

Vicinity of Shanghai and Yangtze River.

IZUMO (Fleet Flag)	1 OCA
Desdiv 26	3 DD
Gunboat Div	3 PG
Patdiv 11	11 PR

2nd China Expeditionary Fleet

KUMA (F)	Amoy
Minron 1	1 PG)Patroling west coast Luzon
	3 AM)
Torpddiv 1	4 TB)Possibly off S.E. Malaya
Guard Div 15	1 PG)

Summary

1 CL
2 PG
4 TB
3 AM

3rd China Expeditionary Fleet

	Gulf of Pechili
	1 OCA
Torpddiv 11	4 TB
Torpddiv 21	4 TB
	1 DD
	3 AM

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Unassigned - In Home Waters

2 CA	Takao and Maya believed either under repairs in home ports or sunk.
4 OCA	
2 OCL	
28 DD	
7 SS*	
1 CM	
4 DM	
1 AV	
2 Training	
2 AO	
1 AF	
1 AC	
2 PG	
1 Target Ship	
3 ARS	

* Believed patrolling from Yokosuka and Kure.

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SUBJECT: Russian Navy - Strength and Disposition.

Baltic Fleet:

2 CA (KIROV; ORDZHONIKIDZE. KIROV badly damaged.)
4 DL
18 DD (1 badly damaged.)
1 ODD
71 SS

Arctic Fleet:

15 DD
4 ODD
26 SS

Black Sea Fleet:

1 OBB (PARISHSKAYA KOMMUNA)
3 CA (VOROSHILOV; MOLOTOV; KRASNI KAVKAS. VOROSHILOV and KRASNI KAVKAS
badly damaged.)
2 CL (KRASNI KRIM; CHERNOVAYA UKRAINA. CHERNOVAYA UKRAINA badly damaged.)
2 DL (1 badly damaged.)
19 DD (2 badly damaged, 1 slightly damaged.)
6 ODD
39 SS

Pacific Fleet:

2 DL
* 14 DD
3 ODD
102 SS

* Indicates change from last week.

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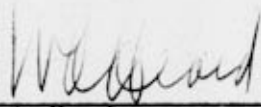
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SUBJECT: German Fleet Disposition.

Type	Ship Name	Location	Last Reported Date
BB	TIRPITZ (1)	Aasfjord (Trondheim) (1)	February 9, 1942
BB	SCHARNHORST (2)	Brest	February 9, 1942
BB	GNEISENAU (3)	Brest	February 9, 1942
OB	SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN (4)	Kiel	November 29, 1941
OB	SCHLESSEN (4)	Kiel	November 29, 1941
CV	GRAF ZEPPELIN (5)	Gdynia	December 11, 1941
CA	ADMIRAL SCHEER	Off Swinemuende	January 11, 1942
CA	LUTZOW	Kiel	December 11, 1941
CA	SEYDLITZ	Bremen	January 11, 1942
CA	PRINZ EUGEN (6)	Brest	February 9, 1942
CA	ADMIRAL HIPPER	Operating in Baltic	December 11, 1941
CL	MUERNBERG	Flensburg	December 11, 1941
CL	LEIPZIG	Operating in Baltic	December 11, 1941
CL	ROSEN	Operating in Baltic	December 11, 1941
CL	BRUNNEN	Operating in Baltic	December 11, 1941
DD's (7)	7 Units	Trondheim	January 29, 1942
	4 Units	Brest	February 9, 1942
	Other Units	Unknown	February 9, 1942
SS's (8)	90 Units*	Atlantic, N. Sea, Baltic	
		Bases	February 10, 1942
	40 Units	Operating in Atlantic	February 10, 1942
	61 Units*	Trials, Training in Baltic	February 9, 1942
	30 Units	Mediterranean	January 4, 1942
	4 Units	Black Sea	January 4, 1942
	225 Total*		

*Estimated.

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- Notes: (1) In Memorandum for Naval Aide, February 6, 1942 it was reported that TIRPITZ was in position 63:36 N., 10:33 E., course N.E. at 1200 on February 5, 1942.
- (2) SCHARNHORST and two other major units at Brest are ready for sea. During the past week they have carried out gun practice, and have slipped out of the Harbor of Brest for sea trials. SCHARNHORST on February 9, 1942 was at Number 9 dock.
- (3) GNEISENAU on February 9, 1942 was alongside TB Station, Brest.
- (4) According to reports from P/W SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN and SCHLESIEEN were stationed in October and November, 1941 in the "Sund" to prevent any Russian attempt to break out. (Note: It is probable that the reference is to the Sound between the Island of Dagö and the mainland.)
- (5) It is not anticipated GRAF ZEPPELIN will be ready for operations for some time, as a long period of trials and exercises will first be required. A report dated February 1, 1942 that GRAF ZEPPELIN had completed her sea trials is inconsistent with other more dependable information.
- (6) PRINZ EUGEN, according to oblique photographs, was alongside the coaling wharf at 1100 February 9, 1941.
- (7) Previously reported: 7 Units, Trondheim, January 29, 1942.
2 Units, Brest, January 31, 1942.
Remaining Units, Unknown, January 31, 1942.
- (8) Previously reported: 83 Units*, Atlantic, North Sea, Baltic Bases, February 2, 1942.
47 Units, Operating in Atlantic, February 2, 1942.
61 Units*, Trials, Training, Baltic, February 2, 1942.
30 Units, Mediterranean, January 4, 1942.
4 Units, Black Sea, January 5, 1942.

225 Units* Total

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DISPOSITION OF ITALIAN FLEET

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
BB	LITTORIO (*)	Taranto	February 3, 1942
BB	CESARE (*)	"	February 3, 1942
BB	DUILIO (*)	"	February 3, 1942
BB	DORIA (*)	"	February 3, 1942
CL's	4 Units (*)	"	February 3, 1942
CVS	MIRAGLIA (*) (1)	"	February 3, 1942
DD's	14 Units (*)	"	February 3, 1942
SS's	13 Units (*)	"	February 3, 1942
CA's	2 Units	Messina	January 17, 1942
CL's	1 Unit	"	January 17, 1942
DD's	6 Units	"	January 17, 1942
SS's	3 Units	"	January 17, 1942
CA's	2 Units	Genoa (repairing)	November 21, 1941
OBM	1 Unit	" (harbor defense)	June 1941
DD's	4 Units	" (repairing)	December 13, 1941
DD's	5 Units	Palermo	January 17, 1942
DD's	3 Units	Livorno (repairing)	August 13, 1941
DD's	2 Units	Anzio-Nettuno	August 13, 1941
DD's	3 Units	Trapani	November 19, 1941
SS's	2 Units	"	November 19, 1941
DD's	9 Units	Maddalena	August 13, 1941
SS's	7 Units	"	November 18, 1941
SS's	5 Units	Cagliari	December 8, 1941
DD's	3 Units	Augusta	December 8, 1941
SS's	4 Units	"	December 8, 1941
DD's	6 Units	Brindisi	December 8, 1941
SS's	6 Units	"	December 8, 1941
OCL	1 Unit	Pola (Navy Yard Depot Ship)	June 1941

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Disposition of Italian Fleet (cont'd)

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
OCL	1 Unit	Ancona	January 7, 1941
DD's	15 Units	N. Aegean & Dodecanese Is.	December 8, 1941
SS's	14 Units	"	December 8, 1941
SS's	4 Units	Bordeaux	November 10, 1941
SS's	2 Units	Lorient (repairing)	November 19, 1941
BB	VITTORIO VENETO (2)	Unknown	
BB	CAVOUR (2)	"	
CL's	4 Units (*)	"	
DD's	13 Units (*)	"	
SS's	4 Units (*)	"	
OCL	DAIMACIJA (Ex Yugoslav)	Teodo	October 15, 1941
DD	1 Unit	"	October 15, 1941
SS's	3 Units	"	October 15, 1941

(*) Indicates change from last report (February 3, 1942).

(1) Report stated aircraft carrier at Taranto. The Italians do not have an aircraft carrier but the Italian merchant ships ROMA and AUGUSTUS are undergoing conversion to aircraft catapult ships. It is believed, however, that it will be several months before they can be completed. The seaplane carrier MIRAGLIA was last reported at Taranto on November 22, 1941 and it is assumed this is the same vessel reported there February 3, 1942.

(2) The VITTORIO VENETO and CAVOUR are believed to have been towed to a northern port (possibly Genoa) for repairs.

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DISPOSITION OF FRENCH (VICHY) FLEET

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
BB	STRASBOURG	Toulon	December 10, 1941
OBE	PROVENCE	"	December 10, 1941
CA	4 Units	"	August 15, 1941
CL	3 Units	"	August 15, 1941
DL	17 Units	"	August 15, 1941
DD	13 Units	"	August 15, 1941
SS	11 Units (*)	"	August 15, 1941 (1)
BB	DUNKERQUE (damaged)	Oran	February 2, 1942 (2)
DL	1 Unit	"	November 16, 1941
DD	1 Unit (*)	"	February 2, 1942 (3)
SS	8 Units (*)	"	February 2, 1942 (4)
DD	5 Units	Bizerte	December 8, 1941
SS	12 Units (*)	"	December 8, 1941
BB	JEAN BART (incomplete)	Casablanca	February 5, 1942 (5)
CL	1 Unit	"	January 31, 1942 (6)
DL	0 Units (*)	"	January 31, 1942 (7)
DD	5 Units	"	January 31, 1942 (8)
SS	13 Units (*)	"	January 31, 1942
BB	RICHELIEU (damaged)	Dakar	January 16, 1942
CL	3 Units	"	January 1, 1942
DL	3 Units	"	January 28, 1942
SS	10 Units	"	January 16, 1942
SS	3 Units	Madagascar	December 13, 1941
CV	BEARN	Martinique	December 30, 1941
CL	1 Unit	"	December 30, 1941
CL	1 Unit	Guadeloupe	December 30, 1941
CL	1 Unit	Saigon	October 13, 1941
DL	4 Units (*)	Unknown	January 31, 1942 (7)
DD	4 Units (*)	"	February 2, 1942 (3)
SS	4 Units (*)	"	January 31, 1942 (9)

(*) Indicates changes since February 3rd report.

(1) ARGONAUTE and DIANE reported at Oran, February 2, 1942.

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- (2) Small fire, January 30, with little damage. Reported ready to sail at any time.
- (3) FOUQUEUX departed Casablanca February 6 for Oran for repairs. No notice of arrival and is carried as unreported.
- (4) The ARIANE, MEDUSE, ORPHEE and DANAE are in drydock. The PASCAL and POINCARE were due to depart January 31 for Toulon for ballast repair.
- (5) JEAN BART reported probably in condition for engine and heavy gun trials.
- (6) PRIMAUGUET still under repair.
- (7) ALBATROS, EPERVIER and MILAN, formerly carried as at Casablanca, not listed as of this date. Now carried as unreported.
- (8) 1 DD arrived and the FOUQUEUX departed (see Note No. 3).
- (9) A number of SS's, formerly unreported, now carried as at Casablanca.

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DISPOSITION OF FREE FRENCH (BRITISH) FLEET

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
OBB	COURBET	Portsmouth	March 25, 1941
DL	1 Unit	"	March 25, 1941 (1)
DD	4 Units	"	March 25, 1941
OBB	PARIS	Plymouth	March 25, 1941
DD	3 Units	"	March 25, 1941
SS	2 Units	"	March 25, 1941
SS	2 Units	Southampton	March 25, 1941
SS	1 Unit	Swansea	March 25, 1941
SS	1 Unit	Unknown British Port	August 21, 1941
DL	1 Unit (*)	Noumea	February 6, 1942 (2)
SS	1 Unit (*)	Bermuda	February 4, 1942 (3)

(*) Denotes changes since report of February 3, 1942.

(1) Reported LEOPARD will proceed to Tahiti in April, 1942.

(2) LE TRIUMPHANT, previously reported at Sydney.

(3) SURCOUF, previously reported at Halifax. Reported to be en route Noumea via Tahiti.

IMMOBILIZED FRENCH VESSELS

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
OBB	LORRAINE	Alexandria	December 17, 1941
CA	3 Units	"	December 17, 1941
CL	1 Unit	"	December 17, 1941
DD	3 Units	"	December 17, 1941
SS	1 Unit	"	December 17, 1941

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MEMORANDUM

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SUBJECT: Japanese Fleet Locations.

The below listed locations of Japanese naval forces are estimates based principally on radio intelligence, although some sight contacts are included which are so noted. The compositions of forces although confirmed in some instances by radio intelligence are in others built around fragmentary reports to present what is considered the most likely estimates. It is believed that this forms a fair general approximation.

I. First Fleet

BB - NAGATO - Flag of CinC Combined Fleet

Composition

Batdiv 1
NAGATO (F)
MUTSU
YAMASHIRO

Batdiv 2
HYUGA
ISE
KII

6 BB

Crudiv 5
MYOKO
NACHI
HAGURO

* Crudiv 6
AOBA
KINUGASA

5 CA

Desron 3
SENDAI

1 CL

Desdiv 11
" 12
" 19
" 20

15 DD

Airon 7
CHITOSE (F)
CHIYODA
MIZUHO

Operating with attack
force in Celebes area.

3 AV

Combined Fleet Train

Miscellaneous

* KAKO and FURUTAKA of this Division have been transferred to
2nd Fleet.

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6 BB
5 CA
1 CL
3 AV
15 DD
8 AO
1 AF
2 AR
1 AC

II. Special Task Force

This force is now split up
as noted below:

Composition:

Locations:

Batdiv 3
HIYEI (F)
KIRISHIMA

2 BB

Believed operating with
Attack Force in Celebes
area.

Cardiv 1
KAGA
AKAGI
Desdiv ?

2 CV
4 DD

Probably in vicinity
Palau, Caroline Islands.

Cardiv 4
ZUIKAKU
SHOKAKU

2 CV

Vicinity Truk
In home waters or enroute
to Palau.

Desdiv 3

3 DD

Vicinity Truk

Crudiv 8
TONE

Reported on Jan. 23rd
as being near Yokosuka
on convoy duty.
Rabaul, New Britain

CHIKUMA

2 CA

Desron 1
ABUKUMA
Desdiv 6
Desdiv 21
Desdiv 27

1 CL

Vicinity Truk, except for
ABUKUMA and several DD
which have been escorting
SHOKAKU (CV)

10 DD

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2 BB
4 CV
2 CA
1 CL
17 DD

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III. Fourth Fleet

This fleet is now divided up into two or more task forces

Composition:

Locations

Crudiv 18

3 CL

Last reported in vicinity Rabaul, New Britain

Desron 6

1 CL
8 DD

Four ships of this squadron were sighted near Rabaul. The remainder are reconnoitering Solomon Islands.

Subron 7

2 AS
9 SS

Operating out of base at Kendari, Celebes.

Airon 24

1 AV
Several XAV

Mismarck Archipelago. Marshall Islands.

Patron 2

1 AV

Marshall Islands

Miscellaneous -

Mostly at Truk

SUMMARY

3 CL /
2 AV
Several XAV
8 DD
2 AS
9 SS
1 CM
8 XPG
1 Survey Ship

/ 1 CL out of total of 4 CL enumerated above is considered sunk.

Note: Desron 8, included in the last report, has been dropped since no further information has been heard from it.

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IV. Mandated Islands Base Defense Forces

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|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1. 3rd Base Force - Palau | 4 XPG
4 SS
AP & AK * |
| 2. 4th Base Force - Truk | AP & AK * |
| 3. 5th Base Force - Saipan | 2 CM
3 XPG
AP & AK * |
| 4. ** 6th Base Force - Jaluit | 4 XAM
3 PC |
| * Total of 41 AP & AK | |

** Most of this Base Force was probably sunk, beached or damaged in the U.S. Task force raid on the Marshalls, except possibly Mindiv 16 composed of 4 XAM which may have been sent recently to the South China Sea.

V. Sixth Fleet (Submarine Fleet)

Composition:

KATORI (Flag)

1 CL Truk area

Subron 1

1 AS The Submarine Fleet is
6 SS / based at Jaluit where

Subron 2

1 AS are now believed to be
5 SS / perhaps one AS and one
Subron in the Wake-Mar-

Subron 3

1 XAS shall area. Subron 5 was
6 SS / transferred to the 2nd
Fleet and the remainder
scattered in the Western
Pacific with the possible
exception of one boat
which was reported at Lat.
47 N. Long. 128 W. on Feb.
6th. A few units are now
based at Wake.

Summary

1 CL
2 AS
1 XAS
15 SS /

/ 2 SS of total of 17 enumerated above are considered sunk.

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VI. Fifth Fleet

TAMA (?), (Flag)
Minron 2

1 CL
8 DM

This Fleet is believed in home waters off Northern Honshu.

The composition of this fleet is largely unknown. However, it has recently been learned that Mindiv 2 of unknown composition is included. Attached to it are probably several patrol craft in addition.

VII. Second Fleet

CA - ATAGO - flag of CinC, 2nd Fleet

Widely dispersed in waters off S.E. Asia with base Camranh Bay-Saigon area.

Composition:

Locations

Batdiv
FUSO

Believed under repairs at Bako, Pescadores from damage suffered in Gulf of Davao. Location unknown.

KONGO

2 BB

Crudiv 4
ATAGO (F)

Location uncertain. May be in Takao, Formosa area. Offensive operations in Celebes area.

KAKO
FURUTAKA

**
3 CA

Crudiv 7 *
KUMANO (F)
MOGAMI
MIKUMA
SUZUYA

Anambas Island.

Cardiv 3
RYUJO
HOSHO
NITTA MARU
Desdiv 17

2 CV
1 XCV
3 DD

Off Southeast coast of Malaya, except HOSHO, which is nearing Truk from home waters.

Cardiv 5
KORYU
KASUGA
Desdiv ?

2 CV
3 DD

At or west of Truk.

Desron 2 **
JINTSU (F)
Desdiv 8
" 15
" 16
" 18

1 CL

15 DD

Offensive operations in Celebes area

* 7 Cruisers and 9 DD were sighted on Feb. 8 escorting a convoy at Anambas Island.
** Two cruisers sighted on Feb. 8 with 16 DD escorting 6 AP 46 mi. south of Macassar.

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VII. Second Fleet (continued)

Composition:

Locations:

Desron 4
NAKA (F)
Desdiv 2
" 9
" 24

1 CL Flagship believed Takao,
Formosa with indications Desron
is off Western Philippines.
10 DD

Subron 5
YURA (F)
TAKASAKI
Subdiv 28
" 29
" 30

1 CL Based at Saigon, operating in
1 AS Indian Ocean. This squadron
was recently transferred from
the Submarine Fleet.
5 SS

Subron 6
KINU (F)
Subdiv 9
" 13

1 CL Based at Saigon. This squadron
has received orders to exchange
stations with squadron now at
Yokosuka.
3 SS

Subron 10
KARASAKI
Subdiv 18
" 19
" 21

1 AS Based at Saigon operating in
Indian Ocean.
8 SS

Summary

2 BB
7 CA
4 CV
1 XCV
2 CL ✓
31 DD
2 AS
16 SS

✓ One CL out of total of 3 enumerated in composition is considered sunk.

VIII. Third Fleet

Widely dispersed in waters off
S.E. Asia with base in Formosa-
Pescadores area.

Composition:

Locations

ASHIGARA (Flag)

1 CA

Offensive operations, Celebes area.

Cardiv 2

SORYU
HIRYU
KOKUYO MARU
Desdiv 23

2 CV
1 XCV
4 DD

Offensive operations, in Celebes.
Area, except SORYU now believed
with Cardiv 1 in Palau area.

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VIII. Third Fleet (Continued)

Composition:

Locations

<u>Desron 5</u>		Believed in Celebes area.
NATORI (F)	1 CL	
Desdiv 5		
" 22		
" 34	12 DD	
<u>Subron</u>		
CHOGEI (F)	1 AS	Believed operating in Celebes waters using Kendari, S.E. Celebes, as base.
Subdiv ?	6 SS	
" ?	8 DM	Off west coast Luzon, P.I.
Minron 3		
<u>Airon 6</u>	3 XAV	Establishing air bases at Anambas Island and Kuching, W. Borneo.
<u>No. 1 Base Force</u>		
NAGARA (F)	1 CL	Offensive operations in Celebes area
Mindiv (?)	3 CM	Probably still off west coast of Luzon, P.I.
Mindiv 1 & 21	11 AM	
Gunboat Div 1	6 XPG	
Subchasers Divs. 1,11,21,31	12 PC	
Miscellaneous		
<u>No. 2 Base Force</u>		
NAKA (F)	1 CL	Offensive operations in Celebes area
Mindiv 17	3 CM	

Summary

1 CA
2 CV
1 XCV
3 CL
16 DD
1 AS
6 SS
3 XAV
6 CM
8 DM
11 AM
6 XPG
12 PC
Misc.

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IX. Southern Expeditionary Fleet

In waters S.E. Asia with base in Camranh Bay-Saigon area.

Composition:

Locations

* KASHII (Flagship)	1 CL	Off Anambas Island
* Crudiv		
CHOKAI	1 CA	" " "
ISUZU	1 CL	
SHIMUSHU	1 CM	Off S.E. coast, Malaya
Desdiv 7	4 DD	Off West coast, Borneo

* Sighted with Crudiv 7 at Anambas Island on February 8.

X. 1st China Expeditionary Fleet
and China Fleets Command Unit

Vicinity of Shanghai and Yangtze River.

IZUMO (Fleet Flag)	1 OCA
Desdiv 26	3 DD
Gunboat Div	3 PG
Patdiv 11	11 PR

2nd China Expeditionary Fleet

KUMA (F)	1 CL Offensive operations, Celebes area
Minron 1	1 PG) Patrolling west coast Luzon
	3 AM)
Torpddiv 1	4 TB) Possibly off S.E. Malaya
Guard Div 15	1 PG)

Summary

1 CL
2 PG
4 TB
3 AM

3rd China Expeditionary Fleet

	Gulf of Pechili
	1 OCA
Torpddiv 11	4 TB
Torpddiv 21	4 TB
	1 DD
	3 AM

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Unassigned - In Home Waters

2 CA	Takao and Maya believed either under repairs in home ports or sunk.
4 OCA	
2 OCL	
28 DD	
14 SS *	
1 CM	
4 DM	
1 AV	
2 Training	
2 AO	
1 AF	
1 AC	
2 PG	
1 Target Ship	
3 ABS	

* A number of these are patrolling off east coast of Honshu.
One squadron from this force has been ordered exchange stations with Subron 6 in 2nd Fleet.

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SUBJECT: Russian Navy - Strength and Disposition.

Baltic Fleet:

2 CA (KIROV; ORDZHOVNIKIDZE. KIROV badly damaged.)
4 DL
18 DD (1 badly damaged.)
1 ODD
71 CF

Arctic Fleet:

15 DD
4 ODD
26 SS

Black Sea Fleet:

1 ODD (PARISHSKAYA KOMUNA)
3 CA (VOROSHILOV; MOLOTOV; KRASNI KAVKAS. VOROSHILOV and KRASNI KAVKAS
badly damaged.)
2 CL (KRASNI KRIM; CHERNOVAYA UKRAINA. CHERNOVAYA UKRAINA badly damaged.)
2 DL (1 badly damaged.)
19 DD (2 badly damaged, 1 slightly damaged.)
6 ODD
39 SS

Pacific Fleet:

2 DL
11 DD
3 ODD
102 SS

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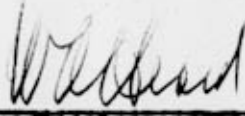
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MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: German Fleet Disposition.

Type:	Ship Name	Location	Last Reported Date
BB	TIRPITZ (1)	Trondheim (1)	January 31, 1942
BB	SCHARNHORST (2)	Brest; along TB station	January 31, 1942
BB	GNEISENAU (3)	Brest; along TB station	January 31, 1942
OB	SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN	Kiel	November 29, 1941
OB	SCHLESSEN	Kiel	November 29, 1941
CV	GRAF ZEPPELIN	Gdynia	December 11, 1941
CA	ADMIRAL SCHEER	Off Swinemuende	January 11, 1942
CA	LUETZOW	Kiel	December 11, 1941
CA	SEYDLITZ	Bremen	January 11, 1941
CA	PRINZ EUGEN (4)	Brest; alongside coal wharf	January 31, 1942
CA	ADMIRAL HIPPER	Operating in Baltic	December 11, 1941
CL	NUERNBERG	Flensburg	December 11, 1941
CL	LEIPZIG	Operating in Baltic	December 11, 1941
CL	KOELN	Operating in Baltic	December 11, 1941
CL	EMDEN	Operating in Baltic	December 11, 1941
DD's (5)	7 Units	Trondheim	January 29, 1942
	2 Units	Brest	January 31, 1942
	Remaining Units	Unknown	January 31, 1942
SS's (6)	83 Units*	Atlantic, N. Sea, Baltic Bases	February 2, 1942
	47 Units	Operating in Atlantic	February 2, 1942
	61 Units*	Trials/Training, Baltic	February 2, 1942
	30 Units	Mediterranean	January 4, 1942
	4 Units	Black Sea	January 5, 1942
	225 Total*		

*Estimated.

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German Fleet Disposition (Continued)

- Notes: (1) TIRPITZ was previously reported in Norwegian waters January 25, 1942. Two cruisers, seven destroyers and several motor torpedo boats have been reported at Trondheim since Op-16-F-4 Memorandum of January 27, 1942. Report of the presence of these German warships in Trondheim was transmitted to the Naval Aide in Op-16-F-4 Memorandum of January 30, 1942. According to the disposition of the German Fleet, insofar as it is known, any of the light or heavy cruisers, except PRINZ EUGEN or SEYDLITZ, could now be at Trondheim.
- (2) A report, dated January 31, 1942, to the effect that the SCHARNHORST had been "seriously damaged" has not been confirmed. Eight (8) minesweepers are sweeping in Rade de Brest (Harbor of Brest). This would indicate that some of the major units may be preparing to leave Brest soon.
- (3) There is, also, as yet no confirmation of a report from the same source, (see Note 2 above), that GNEISENAU is in dry dock and will be out of commission for one year.
- (4) PRINZ EUGEN according to this same unconfirmed report, (see Notes 2 and 3 above) will be out of commission for six months. Report stated 16 officers and 68 men had been killed during a recent air raid.
- (5) Previously reported: 3-5 Units, Northern Norway - December 17.
6-7 Units, In the Baltic - December 17.
5 Units, German North Sea ports - December 17.
None, French West Coast - December 17.

The recent arrival of two destroyers at Brest may be a further indication that some or all of the major units may be about ready for a cruise.

Five TB's have, also, recently arrived in Brest.

- (6) Previously reported: 52 Units* Atlantic, N. Sea, Baltic Bases - January 26.
53 Units, Operating in Atlantic, January 26.
61 Units, Trials/Training, Baltic - January 26.
30 Units, Mediterranean - January 5.
4 Units, Black Sea - January 5.
200 Total*

*Estimated

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DISPOSITION OF ITALIAN FLEET

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
✓BB	1 LITTORIO Class (1)	Taranto	January 4, 1942
✓BB	1 CAVOUR Class (1)	"	January 4, 1942
✓CL's	6 Units (2)	"	January 17, 1942
✓DD's	27 Units (*)	"	January 31, 1942
✓SS's	15 Units	"	December 23, 1941
✓CA's	2 Units	Messina	January 17, 1942
✓CL's	1 Unit (*) (2)	"	January 17, 1942
✓DD's	6 Units (*)	"	January 17, 1942
✓SS's	3 Units	"	January 17, 1942
✓CA's	2 Units	Genoa (repairing)	November 21, 1941
✓OEM	1 Unit	" (harbor defense)	June 1941
✓DD's	4 Units	" (repairing)	December 13, 1941
✓DD's	5 Units (*)	Palermo	January 17, 1942
✓SS's	0 Units (*)	"	January 17, 1942
✓DD's	3 Units	Livorno (repairing)	August 13, 1941
✓DD's	2 Units	Anzio-Nettuno	August 13, 1941
✓DD's	3 Units	Trapani	November 19, 1941
✓SS's	2 Units	"	November 19, 1941
✓DD's	9 Units	Maddalena	August 13, 1941
✓SS's	7 Units	"	November 18, 1941
✓SS's	5 Units	Cagliari	December 8, 1941
✓DD's	3 Units	Augusta	December 8, 1941
✓SS's	4 Units	"	December 8, 1941
✓DD's	6 Units	Brindisi	December 8, 1941
✓SS's	6 Units	"	December 8, 1941
✓OCL	1 Unit	Pola (Navy Yard Depot Ship)	June 1941

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Disposition of Italian Fleet (continued)

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
✓ OCL	1 Unit	Ancona	January 7, 1941
✓ DD's	15 Units	N. Aegean	December 8, 1941
✓ SS's	14 Units	and Dodecanese Is.	
		"	December 8, 1941
✓ SS's	4 Units	Bordeaux	November 10, 1941
✓ SS's	2 Units	Lorient	November 10, 1941
		(repairing)	
BB	LITTORIO (1)	Unknown	
BB	VITTORIO VENETO (1)	"	
BB	CAVOUR (1)	"	
BB	DORIA (1)	"	
BB	DUILIO (1)	"	
BB	CESARE (1)	"	
CL	2 Units (*)	"	
DD's	0 Units (*)	"	
SS's	2 Units (*) (3)	"	
OCL	DAIMACIJA (Ex Yugoslav)	Teodo	October 15, 1941
DD	1 Unit " " "	"	October 15, 1941
SS's	3 Units " " "	"	October 15, 1941

(*) Indicates change from last report.

(1) Same as report of January 27, 1942.

(2) ABRUZZI or GARIBALDI - One of these two vessels reported last week at Messina has departed; the other is still at Taranto.

(3) 1 SS was sunk January 12, 1942.

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DISPOSITION OF FRENCH (VICHY) FLEET

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
✓BB	STRASBOURG	Toulon	December 10, 1941
✓OBB	PROVENCE	"	December 10, 1941
✓CA	4 Units	"	August 15, 1941
✓CL	3 Units	"	August 15, 1941
✓DL	17 Units	"	August 15, 1941
✓DD	13 Units	"	August 15, 1941
✓SS	13 Units	"	August 15, 1941
✓BB	DUNKERQUE (damaged)	Oran	December 10, 1941
✓DL	1 Unit	"	November 16, 1941 (1)
✓DD	2 Units	"	December 8, 1941
✓SS	0 Units (*)	"	January 22, 1942 (2)
✓DD	5 Units	Bizerte	December 8, 1941
✓SS	13 Units	"	December 8, 1941
✓BB	JEAN BART (incomplete)	Casablanca	January 26, 1942
✓CL	1 Unit	"	January 26, 1942 (3)
✓DL	3 Units (*)	"	January 19, 1942
✓DD	5 Units (*)	"	January 19, 1942
✓SS	6 Units	"	January 19, 1942
✓BB	RICHELIEU (damaged)	Dakar	January 17, 1942
✓CL	3 Units	"	January 1, 1942
✓DL	3 Units (*)	"	August 15, 1941
✓SS	10 Units	"	January 8, 1942
✓SS	3 Units	Madagascar	August 15, 1941 (4)
✓CV	BEARN	Martinique	December 30, 1941
✓CL	1 Unit	"	December 30, 1941
✓CL	1 Unit	Guadeloupe	December 30, 1941
✓CL	1 Unit	Saigon	October 13, 1941
✓DL	1 Unit	Unknown	
✓DD	3 Units (*)	"	January 26, 1942 (5)
✓SS	16 Units (*)	"	January 22, 1942 (2)

(*) Indicates changes since previous report.

(1) CASSARD in drydock as of this date.

(2) Two SS's departed Oran as of this date. Listed under Unknown.

(3) PRIMAUGUET undergoing repairs as of this date.

(4) An SS from Madagascar, running Djibuti blockade, damaged Jan. 22, 1942 by R.A.F. in Gulf of Aden.

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(5) TEMPETE, formerly at Casablanca, not listed at this port as of this date.

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DISPOSITION OF FREE FRENCH (BRITISH) FLEET

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
✓ OBB	COURBET	Portsmouth	March 25, 1941
✓ DL	1 Unit	"	March 25, 1941
✓ DD	4 Units	"	March 25, 1941
✓ OBB	PARIS	Plymouth	March 25, 1941
✓ DD	3 Units	"	March 25, 1941
✓ SS	2 Units	"	March 25, 1941
✓ SS	2 Units	Southampton	March 25, 1941
✓ SS	1 Unit	Swansea	March 25, 1941
✓ SS	1 Unit	Unknown British Port	
✓ DL	1 Unit (*)	Sydney	January 26, 1942 (1)
✓ SS	1 Unit (*)	Halifax	January 31, 1942 (2)

- (*) Denotes changes since previous report.
 (1) LE TRIOMPHANT, previously reported en route Sydney.
 (2) SURCOUF to depart Halifax on February 1, 1942.

IMMOBILIZED FRENCH VESSELS

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
✓ OBB	LORRAINE	Alexandria	December 17, 1941
✓ CA	3 Units	"	December 17, 1941
✓ CL	1 Unit	"	December 17, 1941
✓ DD	3 Units	"	December 17, 1941
✓ SS	1 Unit	"	December 17, 1941

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SUBJECT: Japanese Fleet Locations

The below listed locations of Japanese naval forces are estimates based principally on radio intelligence, although some sight contacts are included which are so noted. The compositions of forces although confirmed in some instances by radio intelligence are in others built around fragmentary reports to present what is considered the most likely estimates. It is believed that this forms a fair general approximation.

I. First Fleet

Composition

Batdiv 1
NAGATO (F)
MUTSU
YAMASHIRO

Batdiv 2
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Having maintained radio silence this Fleet has remained unlocated for about three weeks. Although believed to have remained in the Mandated Islands area, there have been certain indications that it may have moved southward closer to the Truk area.

Crudiv 5
MYOKO
NACHI
HAGURO

Crudiv 6
KAKO
FURUTAKA
AOBA
KINUGASA 7 CA

Airon 7
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CHIYODA
MIZUHO

3 AV

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" 19
" 20

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Summary

6 BB
7 CA
1 CL
3 AV
15 DD
8 AO
1 AF
2 AR
1 AC

II. Special Task Force

This force is now split up
as noted below:

Composition:

Locations

Batdiv 3
HIYEI (F)
KIRISHIMA

2 BB

Believed to have moved
south to Truk area or
into the Molucca Passage.

Cardiv 1
KAGA
AKAGI
Desdiv ?

2 CV
4 DD

Bismarck Archipelago--
Solomon Islands

Cardiv 4
ZUIKAKU
SHOKAKU

2 CV

Enroute Palau
Vicinity Truk, or pos-
sibly returning to home
waters.

Desdiv 3

3 DD

Divided between two
carriers acting as
plane guards.

Crudiv 8
TONE

CHIKUMA

2 CA

Reported on 23rd as
being near Yokosuka on
convoy duty.
Rabaul, New Britain

Desron 1
ABUKUMA
Desdiv 6
Desdiv 21
Desdiv 27

1 CL

10 DD

Vicinity Truk

Summary

2 BB
4 CV
2 CA
1 CL
17 DD

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III. Fourth Fleet

This fleet is now divided up into two or more task forces.

Composition:

Locations

<u>Crudiv 18</u>	3 CL	Vicinity Rabaul, New Britain
<u>Desron 6</u>	1 CL	Six ships of this squadron were sighted near Rabaul. The remainder are reconnoitering Solomon Islands.
	8 DD	
* <u>Desron 8</u>	1 CL	Believed in Molucca Sea
	12 DD	
<u>Subron 7</u>	2 AS	Believed in Molucca Sea
	9 SS	" " " "
<u>Airon 24</u>	1 AV	Eastern Marshalls, except one unit off New Ireland.
** Several	XAV	
<u>Patron 2</u>	1 AV	Believed in Molucca Sea
Miscellaneous -		Mostly at Truk

Summary

	4 CL
	2 AV
Several	XAV
	20 DD
	2 AS
	9 SS
	1 CM
	8 XPG
	1 Survey Ship

- / 1 CL out of total of 5 CL enumerated above is considered sunk.
- * This is a newly organized squadron recently reported.
- ** It is now believed Airon 24 is composed of several XAV not previously counted.

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IV. Mandated Islands Base Defense Forces

- | | | |
|------|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 1. | 3rd Base Force - Palau | 4 XPG
4 SS
AP & AK* |
| 2. | 4th Base Force - Truk | AP & AK* |
| 3. | 5th Base Force - Saipan | 2 CM
3 XPG
AP & AK* |
| 4.** | 6th Base Force - Jaluit | 4 XAM
3 PC
*Total of 41 AP & AK |

** Most of this Base Force was probably sunk, beached or damaged in the U.S. task force raid on the Marshalls, except possibly Mindiv 16 composed of 4 XAM which may have been sent recently to the South China Sea.

V. Sixth Fleet (Submarine Fleet)

Composition

- | | |
|-----------------|----------------------|
| KATORI (Flag) | 1 CL |
| <u>Subron 1</u> | 1 AS
6 SS |
| <u>Subron 2</u> | 1 AS
5 SS |
| <u>Subron 3</u> | 1 XAS
6 SS |
| <u>Subron 5</u> | 1 CL
1 AS
5 SS |

Summary

2 CL
3 AS
1 XAS
22 SS

The Submarine Fleet is based at Jaluit where are now believed to be perhaps two AS and one Subron in the Wake-Marshall area. Subron 6 was transferred to the 2nd Fleet and the remainder scattered in the Western Pacific with the possible exception of one boat which was reported sighted near Dutch Harbor in the Aleutian Islands on Jan. 29th. A few units are now based at Wake. Two Subron flagships are in the Wake-Marshall area.

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This Fleet is believed back in home waters off Northern Honshu

VI. Fifth Fleet

TAMA (?), (Flag) 1 CL
Minron 2 8 DM

The composition of this fleet is largely unknown. However, it has recently been learned that Mindiv 2 of unknown composition is included. Attached to it are probably several patrol craft in addition.

VII. Second Fleet

Widely dispersed in waters off S.E. Asia with base Camranh Bay-Saigon area.

Composition

Locations

Batdiv
FUSO

Believed under repairs at Bako, Pescadores from damage suffered in Gulf of Davao.
Location unknown

KONGO 2 BB

Crudiv 4
ATAGO (F)
TAKAO
MAYA

Offensive operations in Molucca-Banda Seas area

3 CA

Crudiv 7 *
KUMANO (F)
MOGAMI
MIKUMA
SUZUYA

Off East coast of Malaya

4 CA

Cardiv 3
RYUJO
HOSHO
NITTA MARU
Desdiv 17

Off East coast of Malaya, except HOSHO, which is probably enroute south from home waters.

2 CV
1 XCV
3 DD

Cardiv 5
KORYU
KASUGA
Desdiv ?

At or enroute to Truk

2 CV
3 DD

Desron 2
JINTSU (F)
Desdiv 8
" 15
" 16
" 18

1 CL

In Molucca Passage near Manado, Celebes.

15 DD

* 2 CA of Crudiv 7 sighted off SE coast of Malaya on Jan. 29 with 12 DD of unknown unit convoying 2-10,000 ton motor vessels.

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VII. Second Fleet (continued)

Composition

Locations

Desron 4
NAKA (F) 1 CL
Desdiv 2
" 9
" 24 10 DD

Escorting convoys in Strait of Macassar near Balikpapan, east coast of Borneo.

Subron 6
KINU (F) 1 CL
Subdiv 9
" 13 3 SS

Based at Saigon operating in Indian Ocean.

Subron 10
KARASAKI 1 AS
Subdiv 18
" 19
" 21 8 SS

Based at Saigon operating in Indian Ocean.

Summary

2 BB
7 CA
4 CV
1 XCV
2 CL /
31 DD
1 AS
11 SS

/ One CL out of total of 3 enumerated in composition is considered sunk.

VIII. Third Fleet

Widely dispersed in waters off S.E. Asia with base in Formosa-Pescadores area.

Composition

Locations

ASHIGARA (Flag) 1 CA

In Strait of Makassar

Cardiv 2
SORYU
HIRYU 2 CV
KOKUYO MARU 1 XCV
Desdiv 23 4 DD

Offensive operations, Molucca Sea
Vicinity Palau.
Offensive operations, Molucca Sea
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VIII. Third Fleet (continued)

<u>Composition</u>		<u>Locations</u>
<u>Desron 5</u>		Believed escorting convoys in
NATORI (F)	1 CL	South China Sea
Desdiv 5		
" 22		
" 34	12 DD	
<u>Subron</u>		Believed operating in waters be-
CHOGEI (F)	1 AS	tween Borneo and New Guinea,
Subdiv ?		using Kendari, S.E. Celebes, as
" ?	6 SS	base.
** Minron 3	8 DM	Off west coast Luzon, P.I.
<u>Airon 6</u>	3 XAV	Offensive operations Molucca-
		Banda Seas.
<u>No. 1 Base Force</u>		
NAGARA (F)	1 CL	"
Mindiv (?)	3 CM	Probably still off west coast
Mindiv 1 & 21	11 AM	of Luzon, P.I.
Gunboat Div 1	6 XPG	
Subchasers Divs. 1, 11, 21, 31	12 PC	
Miscellaneous		
<u>No. 2 Base Force</u>		
NAKA (F)	1 CL	In Strait of Makassar
Mindiv 17	3 CM	
	<u>Summary</u>	
	1 CA	
	2 CV	
	1 XCV	
	3 CL	
	16 DD	
	1 AS	
	6 SS	
	3 XAV	
	6 CM	
	8 DM	
	11 AM	
	6 XPG	
	12 PC	
	Misc.	

** This is a new unit added to this fleet.

IX. Southern Expeditionary Fleet

In waters S.E. Asia with
base in Camranh Bay-Saigon area.

Composition

Locations

CHOKAI (Flagship)	1 CA	Off East Coast, Malaya
Crudiv 2 KASHII ISUZU	2 CL	" " "
SHIMUSHU	1 CM	" " "
* Desdiv 7	4 DD	Off West coast, Borneo

This small force is engaged in logistic support of landing forces and in support of 2nd and 3rd Fleets.

* Recently transferred to this fleet.

X. 1st China Expeditionary Fleet
and China Fleets Command Unit

Vicinity of Shanghai and
Yangtze River.

IZUMO (Fleet Flag)	1 OCA
Desdiv 26	3 DD
Gunboat Div	3 PG
Patdiv 11	11 PR

2nd China Expeditionary Fleet

China Coast from Saigon to
mouth of Yangtze

KUMA (F)	1 CL
Minron 1	1 PG
	3 AM
Torpddiv 1	4 TB
Guard Div 15	1 PG

Summary

1 CL
2 PG
4 TB
3 AM

3rd China Expeditionary Fleet

Gulf of Pechili

Torpddiv 11	1 OCA
Torpddiv 21	4 TB
	4 TB
	1 DD
	3 AM

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Unassigned - In Home Waters

4 OCA
2 OCL
16 DD
14 SS*
1 CM
4 DM
1 AV
2 Training
2 AO
1 AF
1 AC
2 PG
1 Target Ship
3 ARS

* A Number of these are patrolling off east coast of Honshu.

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Baltic Fleet:

2 CA (KIROV; ORDZHONIKIDZE. KIROV badly damaged.)
4 DL
✓ * 18 DD (1 badly damaged.)
1 ODD
71 SS

Arctic Fleet:

0 DL
*15 DD
4 ODD
26 SS

Black Sea Fleet:

1 OBB (PARISHSKAYA KOHBUNA)
3 CA (VOROSHILOV; MOLOTOV; KRASNI KAVKAS. VOROSHILOV and KRASNI KAVKAS
badly damaged.)
2 CL (KRASNI KRIM; CHERNOVAYA UKRAINA. CHERNOVAYA UKRAINA badly damaged.)
2 DL (1 badly damaged.)
19 DD (2 badly damaged, 1 slightly damaged.)
* 6 ODD
39 SS

Pacific Fleet:

2 DL
11 DD
3 ODD
*102 SS

* Indicate change from last week.

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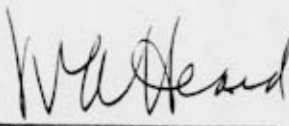
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MEMORANDUM

Type :	Ship	Location	Last Reported Date
✓ BB	TIRPITZ ⁽¹⁾	Norwegian waters	January 25, 1942
✓ BB	SCHARNHORST ⁽²⁾	Brest, along TB Jetty	January 26, 1942
✓ BB	GNEISENAU ⁽³⁾	Brest, north of Lanveoc	January 26, 1942
✓ OBB	SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN	Kiel	November 29, 1941
✓ OBB	SCHLESSEN	Kiel	November 29, 1941
✓ CV	GRAF ZEPPELIN ⁽⁴⁾	Gdynia	December 11, 1941
✓ CA	ADMIRAL SCHEER ⁽⁵⁾	Off Swinemuende	January 11, 1942
✓ CA	LUETZOW	Kiel	December 11, 1941
✓ CA	SEYDLITZ	Bremen	January 11, 1942
✓ CA	PRINZ EUGEN ⁽⁶⁾	Brest	January 26, 1942
✓ CA	ADMIRAL HIPPER ⁽⁷⁾	Operating in Baltic	December 11, 1941
✓ CL	NUERNBERG	Flensburg	December 11, 1941
✓ CL	LEIPZIG	Operating in Baltic	December 11, 1941
✓ CL	KOELN ⁽⁸⁾	Operating in Baltic	December 11, 1941
✓ CL	EMDEN	Operating in Baltic	December 11, 1941
✓ DD ⁽⁹⁾	3-5 Units	Northern Norway	December 17, 1941
	6-7 Units	In the Baltic	December 17, 1941
	5 Units	German North Sea ports	December 17, 1941
	None	French West Coast	December 17, 1941
✓ SS ⁽¹⁰⁾	52 Units*	Atlantic, N. Sea, Baltic Bases	January 26, 1942
	✓ 53 Units	Operating in Atlantic	January 26, 1942
	✓ 61 Units*	Trials/Training, Baltic	January 26, 1942
	✓ 30 Units	Mediterranean	January 4, 1942
	✓ 4 Units	Black Sea	January 5, 1942
	200 Total*		

✓ *Estimated.

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- Notes: (1) TIRPITZ was at Trondheim January 19, 1942; in the Aasfjord, partly camouflaged and headed east January 23, 1942; not in this berth and probably leaving the Trondheim area January 25, 1942.
- (2) SCHARNHORST may have been hit by bombs between December 18 and 24, but is probably ready for sea. She is now alongside the T/B Jetty, heading west. She is no longer camouflaged.
- (3) GNEISENAU's side plating has been damaged by recent attacks, but she should be ready for sea now. She is moored north of Lanveoc, 500 yards off-shore.
- (4) P/W of the German Air Force stated in December that GRAF ZEPPELIN had completed her trials. This contradicted previous reports from P/W that work on GRAF ZEPPELIN had been discontinued.
- (5) No word has been received since the last report as to the anticipated firing from SCHEER in the Swinemuende area by turret crews from the SCHARNHORST.
- (6) PRINZ EUGEN has not been hit recently and is believed to be ready for sea. Report of January 26, 1942, that PRINZ EUGEN was in "dry" dock is believed to be in error.
- (7) No word has been received since the last report as to the anticipated firing, on January 19, by HIPPER in the Central Baltic.
- (8) The above note (7) applies also to KOELN.
- (9) Previously reported: 2 units at least, Northern Norway - Nov. 24;
5 units at least, in the Baltic - Nov. 24;
6 units at least, German N.Sea ports - Nov. 24;
None, French West Coast;
Remaining units, Unknown.
- One DD Flotilla is expected to reach Brest January 26, 1942. Five TB's and 5 Minesweepers have arrived at Brest.
- (10) Previously reported: 70 units, Atlantic, N.Sea, Baltic bases-Jan. 19;
35 units, operating in Atlantic - Jan. 19;
61 units, trials/training, Baltic - Jan. 19;
30 units, Mediterranean, Jan. 4;
4 units, Black Sea, January 5.

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DISPOSITION OF ITALIAN FLEET

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
✓BB	LITTORIO Class (1)	Taranto	January 4, 1942
✓BB	CAVOUR Class (1)	"	January 4, 1942
✓CL	Unknown (2)	"	December 15, 1941
✓CL	D'ACOSTA	"	January 17, 1942
✓CL	ATTENDOLO	"	January 17, 1942
✓CL	CADORNA	"	January 17, 1942
✓CL	MONTECCUOLI	"	January 17, 1942
✓CL	E. DI SAVOIA	"	December 16, 1941
✓DD's	28 Units (*) (3)	"	January 25, 1942
✓SS's	15 Units	"	December 23, 1941
✓CA	GORIZIA	Messina	January 17, 1942
✓CA	TRENTO	"	January 17, 1942
✓CL	Unknown (2)	"	December 15, 1941
✓CL	BANDE NERE (*)	"	January 17, 1942
✓DD's	7 Units	"	December 23, 1941
✓SS's	3 Units	"	December 23, 1941
✓CA	BOLZANO	Genoa (repairing)	November 12, 1941
✓CA	TRIESTE	" "	November 21, 1941
✓OEM	FAA DI BRUNO	" (harbor defense)	June 1941
✓DD's	4 Units	" (repairing)	December 13, 1941
✓DD	1 Unit	Palermo	December 8, 1941
✓SS's	3 Units	"	December 8, 1941
✓CA's	None (*)	La Spezia	January 17, 1942
✓CL's	None (*)	"	January 17, 1942
✓DD's	3 Units	Livorno (repairing)	August 13, 1941
✓DD's	2 Units	Anzio-Nettuno	August 13, 1941
✓DD's	3 Units	Trapani	November 19, 1941
✓SS's	2 Units	"	November 19, 1941
✓DD's	9 Units	Maddalena	August 13, 1941
✓SS's	7 Units	"	November 18, 1941
✓SS's	5 Units	Cagliari	December 8, 1941

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Disposition of Italian Fleet (continued)

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
✓DD's	3 Units	Augusta	December 8, 1941
✓SS's	4 Units	"	December 8, 1941
✓DD's	6 Units	Brindisi	December 8, 1941
✓SS's	6 Units	"	December 8, 1941
✓OCL	TARANTO	Pola	June 1941
✓OCL	BARI	Ancona	January 7, 1941
✓DD's	15 Units	N.Aegean & Dodecanese Is.	December 8, 1941
✓SS's	14 Units	" "	December 8, 1941
✓SS's	4 Units	Bordeaux	November 10, 1941
✓SS's	2 Units	Lorient (repairing)	November 10, 1941
BB	LITTORIO (1)	Unknown	
BB	VITTORIO VENETO (1)	"	
BB	CAVOUR (1)	" (*)	
BB	DORIA (1)	" (*)	
BB	DUILIO (1)	" (*)	
BB	CESARE (1)	" (*)	
CL	OTTAVIANO AUGUSTO	" (*)	
DD's	2 Units (damaged)	" (*)	
OBM's	4 Units	"	
✓OCL	DAIMACIJA	Teodo	October 15, 1941
✓DD	1 Unit	"	October 15, 1941
✓SS's	3 Units	"	October 15, 1941

(*) Indicates change since last report.

(1) Present location of BB's unknown. 1 LITTORIO class and 1 CAVOUR class reported at Taranto January 4th. The CAVOUR was not at Taranto on January 4th and has probably gone to an Adriatic port for repairs. 1 LITTORIO class said to have been badly damaged on December 5, 1941 and believed to have been towed to Genoa. A CAVOUR class was torpedoed on December 11th and probably towed to Genoa or an Adriatic port. One BB was reported at sea 170 miles N.E. of Misurata, Tripolitania on January 24th.

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- (2) ABRUZZI and GARIBALDI - One at Messina and the other at Taranto.
- (3) 2 DD's were damaged by a British Submarine (date unknown) and 1 DD has been sunk by British torpedo planes on January 24th.

An Italian convoy escorted by 1 BB, 3 CL's and 16 DD's was attacked by British planes on January 24th. The BB and 1 CL were said to have been damaged.

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DISPOSITION OF FRENCH (VICHY) FLEET

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
✓ BB	STRASBOURG	Toulon	December 10, 1941
✓ OBB	PROVENCE	"	December 10, 1941
✓ CA	ALGERIE	"	August 15, 1941
✓ CA	COLBERT	"	August 15, 1941
✓ CA	DUPLEIX	"	August 15, 1941
✓ CA	FOCH	"	August 15, 1941
✓ CL	LA GALISSONNIERE	"	August 15, 1941
✓ CL	JEAN DE VIENNE	"	August 15, 1941
✓ CL	MARSEILLAISE	"	August 15, 1941
✓ DL	17 Units	"	August 15, 1941
✓ DD	13 Units	"	August 15, 1941
✓ SS	13 Units	"	August 15, 1941
✓ BB	DUNKERQUE (damaged)	Oran	November 28, 1941
✓ DL	1 Unit	"	November 16, 1941 (1)
✓ DD	2 Units	"	December 8, 1941
✓ SS	2 Units	"	January 17, 1942
✓ DD	5 Units	Bizerte	December 8, 1941
✓ SS	13 Units	"	December 8, 1941
✓ BB	JEAN BART (incomplete)	Casablanca	January 19, 1942
✓ CL	PRIMAUGUET	"	January 19, 1942
✓ DL	4 Units (*)	"	January 19, 1942
✓ DD	6 Units (*)	"	January 19, 1942
✓ SS	6 Units (*)	"	January 19, 1942
✓ BB	RICHELIEU (damaged)	Dakar	January 17, 1942
✓ CL	GEORGES LEYGUES	"	December 20, 1941
✓ CL	GLOIRE	"	January 1, 1942
✓ CL	MONTCAIM	"	November 25, 1941
✓ DL	2 Units	"	August 15, 1941 (2)
✓ SS	10 Units	"	January 8, 1942
✓ SS	3 Units	Madagascar	August 15, 1941 (3)
✓ CV	BEARN	Martinique	December 30, 1941
✓ CL	EMILE BERTIN	"	December 30, 1941
✓ CL	JEANNE D'ARC	Guadeloupe	December 13, 1941
✓ CL	LAMOTTE-PICQUET	Saigon	October 13, 1941

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Disposition of French (Vichy) Fleet (continued)

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
DL	1 Unit (*)	Unknown	
DD	2 Unit (*)	"	
SS	14 Units (*)	"	

(*) Indicates changes since previous report.

- (1) CASSARD in drydock as of this date.
- (2) L'AUDACIEUX, damaged at Dakar, September 1940, reported repairing in drydock.
- (3) SS's based at Madagascar have been making occasional runs to Djibuti.

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DISPOSITION OF FREE FRENCH (BRITISH) FLEET

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
✓ OBB	COURBET	Portsmouth	November 20, 1940
DL	1 Unit	"	November 20, 1940 (1)
DD	4 Units	"	November 20, 1940
OBB	PARIS	Plymouth	November 20, 1940
DD	3 Units	"	November 20, 1940
SS	2 Units	"	November 20, 1940 (2)
✓ SS	2 Units	Southampton	March 25, 1941
✓ SS	1 Unit	Swansea	November 20, 1940
✓ DL	1 Unit	Near Brisbane	January 16, 1942
✓ SS	1 Unit	Near Halifax	January 13, 1942
SS	1 Unit	Unknown	

No changes since previous report.

- (1) News item of January 1, 1942, states DL LEOPARD had fought successful battle with submarine (date not stated).
- (2) SS MINERVE torpedoed and probably sank enemy tanker off Norway, April 1941.

IMMOBILIZED FRENCH VESSELS

TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	LAST REPORTED DATE
✓ OBB	LORRAINE	Alexandria	December 17, 1941
CA	DUQUESNE	"	December 17, 1941
CA	SUFFREN	"	December 17, 1941
CA	TOURVILLE	"	December 17, 1941
CL	DUGUAY-TROUIN	"	December 17, 1941
DD	3 Units	"	December 17, 1941
SS	1 Unit	"	December 17, 1941

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MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Japanese Fleet Locations.

The below listed locations of Japanese naval forces are estimates based principally on radio intelligence, although some sight contacts are included which are so noted. The compositions of forces although confirmed in some instances by radio intelligence are in others built around fragmentary reports to present what is considered the most likely estimates. It is believed that this forms a fair general approximation.

I. First Fleet

Composition:

Batdiv 1
NAGATO (F)
MUTSU
YAMASHIRO

Batdiv 2
HYUGA
ISE
KII

6 BB

Having maintained radio silence this Fleet has remained unlocated for about two weeks. Although believed to have remained in the Mandated Islands area, there have been certain indications that it may have moved southward closer to the Truk area.

Crudiv 5
MYOKO
NACHI
HAGURO

Crudiv 6
KAKO
FURUTAKA
AOBA
KINUGASA 7 CA

Airon 7
CHITOSE (F)
CHIYODA
MIZUHO

3 AV

Desron 3
SENDAI

1 CL

Desdiv 11
" 12
" 19
" 20

15 DD

Combined Fleet Train

Miscellaneous

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Summary

6 BB
7 CA
1 CL
3 AV
15 DD
8 AO
1 AF
2 AR
1 AC

II. Special Task Force

Composition:

This force is now split up
as noted below:

Location

✓ Batdiv 3
HIYEI (F)
KIRISHIMA

2 BB

Believed to have moved south,
possibly now in Truk area.

✓ * Cardiv 1
KAGA
AKAGI
Desdiv 7

2 CV
4 DD

Bismarck Archipelago

✓ Cardiv 4
ZUIKAKU
SHOKAKU
Desdiv 3

2 CV
3 DD

Believed to have moved south,
possibly now in Truk area.

✓ Crudiv 8
TONE

CHIKUMA

2 CA

Reported on 23rd as being near
Yokosuka on convoy duty
Vicinity Truk

✓ Desron 1
ABUKUMA
Desdiv 6
Desdiv 21
Desdiv 27

1 CL

10 DD

Vicinity Truk

Summary

2 BB
4 CV
2 CA
1 CL
17 DD

* 1 CV sighted near Pt. Praed on 1/23

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III. Fourth Fleet

This fleet is now divided up into two or more task forces.

Composition:

Location

* <u>Crudiv 18</u>	3 CL	Bismarck Archipelago
* <u>Desron 6</u>	1 CL	" "
	8 DD	" "
✓ <u>Subron 7</u>	2 AS	" "
	9 SS	" "
<u>Airon 24</u>	1 AV	Vicinity Truk
	1 XAV	" "
✓ <u>Patron 2</u>	1 AV	" "
Miscellaneous -		" "

Summary

4 CL
2 AV
1 XAV
8 DD
2 AS
9 SS
1 CM
8 XPG
1 Survey Ship
2 converted merchantmen

* 3 cruisers, 1 DD sighted near Pt. Praed on 1/23

IV. Mandated Islands Base Defense Forces

1.	3rd Base Force - Palau	4 XPG 4 SS AP & AK*
2.	4th Base Force - Truk	AP & AK*
3.	5th Base Force - Saipan	2 CM 3 XPG AP & AK*
4.	6th Base Force - Jaluit	4 XAM 3 PC

* Total of 41 AP & AK

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V. Sixth Fleet (Submarine Fleet)

Composition:

KATORI (Flag)	1 CL
<u>Subron 1</u>	1 AS 6 SS
<u>Subron 2</u>	1 AS 5 SS
<u>Subron 3</u>	1 XAS 6 SS
<u>Subron 5</u>	1 CL 1 AS 5 SS
<u>Subron 6</u>	1 CL 3 SS

Summary

3 CL
 3 AS
 1 XAS
 25 SS

The Submarine Fleet base is at Jaluit where are located her CL squadron flags and tenders. Very few remain in the Eastern Pacific, but one was sighted near Pt. Reyes, California on January 23. Several have been operating to the west and southwest of Oahu apparently trying to intercept U.S. fleet units, at least one has remained in the vicinity of Midway, and others are scattered throughout the Southern Pacific. A submarine patrol has recently been noted operating from Yokosuka and Kure, but it is not clear whether any of these boats are from the Submarine Fleet.

VI. Fifth Fleet

TAMA (?), (Flag)

1 CL

This fleet has been reported to have moved from Ominato, Honshu to Chinkai, Southern Korea, but it continues having its radio traffic relayed through Ominato.

The composition of this fleet is unknown, but it is believed to comprise a number of auxiliaries and patrol craft, and possibly minelayers for guarding the northern approaches to Japan.

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VII. Second Fleet

In waters off S.E. Asia with
 base Camranh Bay - Saigon area.

Composition:

Batdiv

FUSO (damaged)
 KONGO (damaged)

2 BB

Crudiv 4

ATAGO (F)
 TAKAO
 MAYA

Crudiv 7

KUMANO (F)
 MOGAMI
 MIKUMA
 SUZUYA

7 CA

Cardiv 3

RYUJO
 HOSHO
 NITTA MARU
 Desdiv 17

Cardiv 5

KORYU
 KASUGA

4 CV
 1 XCV
 3 DD

Desron 2

JINTSU (F)
 Desdiv 8
 " 15
 " 16
 " 18

Desron 4

NAKA (F)
 Desdiv 2
 " 9
 " 24

2 CL
 25 DD

Subron 10

KARASAKI
 Subdiv 18
 " 19
 " 21

1 AS
 8 SS

Summary

2 BB
 7 CA
 4 CV
 1 XCV
 2 CL
 28 DD
 1 AS
 8 SS

The Second Fleet is now widely dispersed through the Gulf of Siam, southern part of the South China Sea, Sulu Sea and waters between Borneo and New Guinea. Locations of vessels definitely known to be 2nd Fleet units follow:

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Off East Coast of Malaya

CinC, 2nd Fleet in ATAGO (CA)
and probably two other vessels
of Crudiv 4.
Crudiv 7.

3 CA
4 CA

Operating South of Philippines

Cardiv 3 less 1 unit (HOSHO?)

1 CV
1 XCV
3 DD

Takao, Formosa

1 unit Cardiv 3 (HOSHO?)
1 BB (FUSO?)

1 CV
1 BB

Operating in conjunction with Task Force from Truk, probably
in support of offensive operations in waters between Borneo
and New Guinea.

Cardiv 5

2 CV
3 DD

Western Moro Gulf

Desron 2

1 CL
12 DD

Vicinity Saigon, or operating therefrom:

Subron 10

1 AS
8 SS

Unknown, but probably in Davao or operating therefrom

Desron 2

1 CL
13 DD

VIII. Third Fleet

In waters off S.E. Asia with
base in Formosa-Pescadores
area

Composition:

ASHIGARA (Flag)

1 CA

Cardiv 2

SORYU

HIRYU

KOKUYO MARU

Desdiv 23

2 CV
1 XCV
4 DD

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VIII. Third Fleet (continued)

<u>Desron 5</u>	
NATORI (F)	1 CL
Desdiv 5	
" 22	
" 34	12 DD
<u>Subron</u>	
CHOGEI (F)	1 AS
Subdiv ?	
" ?	6 SS
Airon 6	3 XAV
<u>No. 1 Base Force</u>	
NAGARA (F)	1 CL
Mindiv (?)	3 CM
Mindiv 1 & 21	11 AM
Gunboat Div 1	6 XPG
Subchasers Divs 1, 11, 21, 31	12 PC
Miscellaneous	
<u>No. 2 Base Force</u>	
NAKA (F)	1 CL
Mindiv 17	3 CM

Summary

1 CA
2 CV
1 XCV
3 CL
16 DD
1 AS
6 SS
3 XAV
6 CM
11 AM
6 XPG
12 PC
Misc.

The Third Fleet, like the Second, is widely dispersed in support of operations against the Bataan Pen., Luzon and against the NEI. Locations of vessels definitely known to be 3rd Fleet units follow:

Probably in an area south of Philippines

CinC 3rd Fleet in ASHIGARA 1 CA

In Celebes Sea or waters to the south thereof

Cardiv 2 2 CV
1 XCV
Desdiv 23 4 DD

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Off Bataan Pen., Luzon
Desron 5 less Desdiv 34

1 CL
8 DD

Off East Coast of Malaya
Airron 6
Desdiv 34

3 XAV
4 DD

Unknown, but believed operating off Western Luzon
No. 1 Base Force

1 CL
3 CM
11 AM
6 XPG
12 PC
1 CL
3 CM

No. 2 Base Force

Units which have been recently sighted with dates, but whose identity is unknown:

In Strait of Makassar:

Convoy of 15 AP escorted by 12 DD - Jan. 24

Off Tarakan

1 AV - Jan. 24

Off Kendari, SE Celebes

8 warships - Jan. 24

In Tayabas Bay, Luzon

1 XAV - Jan. 23

Off East coast of Luzon

1 warship - Jan. 23

IX. Southern Expeditionary Fleet

In waters off S.E. Asia with base in Camranh Bay-Saigon area.

CHOKAI (Flagship) Off S.E. Malaya

1 CA

Crudiv

KASHII

ISUZU

"

2 CL

SHIMUSHU

"

1 CM

This small force is engaged in logistic support of landing forces.

X. 1st China Expeditionary Fleet
and China Fleets Command Unit

Vicinity of Shanghai and Yangtze River.

IZUMO (Fleet flag)

Desdiv 26

Gunboat Div

Patdiv 11

1 OCA

3 DD

3 PG

11 PR

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2nd China Expeditionary Fleet

China Coast from Canton to
mouth of the Yangtze

KUMA (F)
Minron 1

1 CL
1 PG
3 AM
4 TB
1 PG

Torpddiv 1
Guard Div 15

Summary

1 CL
2 PG
4 TB
3 AM

3rd China Expeditionary Fleet

Gulf of Pechili

Torpddiv 11
Torpddiv 21

1 OCA
4 TB
4 TB
1 DD
3 AM

Unassigned - In Home Waters

1 CL
2 OCL
4 OCA
37 DD
13 SS
1 CM
20 DM
1 AV
2 Training
2 AO
1 AF
1 AC
1 PG
1 Target Ship
3 ARS

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SUBJECT: Russian Navy - Strength and Disposition.

Baltic Fleet:

- * 2 CA (KIROV; ORDZHONIKIDZE. KIROV badly damaged.)
- * 4 DL
- * 19 DD (2 badly damaged.)
 - 1 ODD
- * 71 SS

Arctic Fleet:

- * 0 DL
- * 14 DD
- * 4 ODD
- * 26 SS

Black Sea Fleet:

- 1 OBB (PARISHSKAYA KOLLUNA)
- * 3 CA (VOROSHILOV; MOLOTOV; KRASNI KAVKAS. VOROSHILOV and KRASNI KAVKAS badly damaged.)
- * 2 CL (KRASNI KRIM; CHERNOVAYA UKRAINA. CHERNOVAYA UKRAINA badly damaged.)
- * 2 DL (1 badly damaged.)
- * 19 DD (2 badly damaged, 1 slightly damaged.)
- * 7 ODD
- * 39 SS

Pacific Fleet:

- 2 DL
- * 11 DD
- 3 ODD
- * 103 SS

* Indicate change from last week.

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