

PART I

ORGANIZATION OF THE FLEETS

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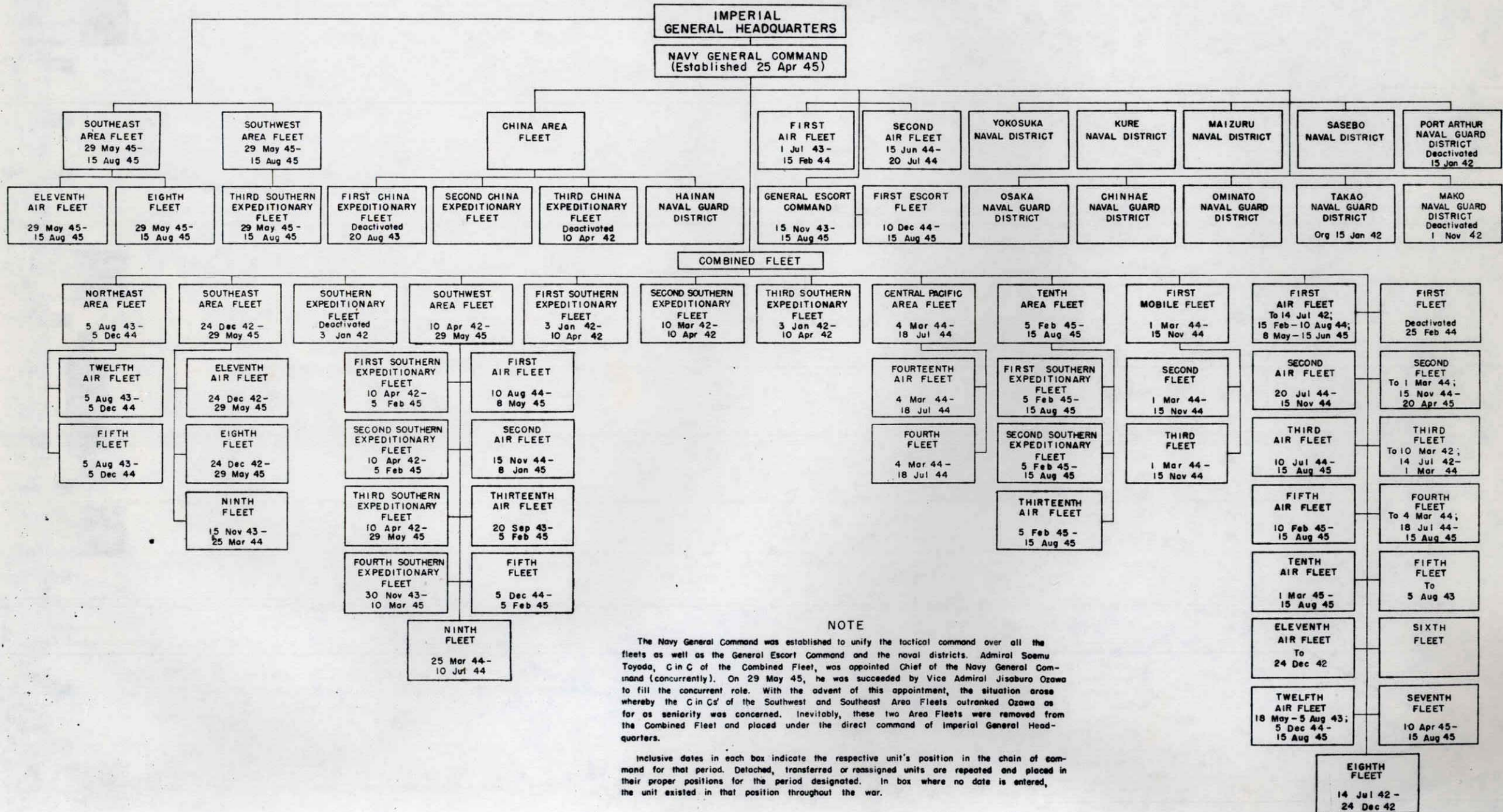
Part I is primarily concerned with the organization of Fleets with numerical designations. The organizations of the First to Fourth Southern Expeditionary Fleets inclusive, which should be categorically listed in Part I, have been noted in Part III under the Southwest Area Fleet.

Ships and naval units which were under the direct command of the C-in-C of the Combined Fleet were placed under the heading of Combined Fleet as were the attached units. The Combined Fleet, in its full sense, actually encompassed all the Fleets listed in Parts I, II and III as well as the directly assigned and attached units.

The First Mobile Fleet, not graphically shown in any Part of this volume, was composed of the Second and Third Fleets and existed as such from 1 Mar to 15 Nov 44.

In the following charts, the double horizontal lines represent the active tour of the naval units which comprised each Fleet and the single horizontal lines represent the breakdown of each naval unit. Changes in the organization are noted as they occurred with dates in parenthesis.

CHAIN OF COMMAND OF THE IMPERIAL JAPANESE NAVY (From 8 December 1941 to 15 August 1945)



NOTE

The Navy General Command was established to unify the tactical command over all the fleets as well as the General Escort Command and the naval districts. Admiral Soemu Toyoda, C in C of the Combined Fleet, was appointed Chief of the Navy General Command (concurrently). On 29 May 45, he was succeeded by Vice Admiral Jisaburo Ozawa to fill the concurrent role. With the advent of this appointment, the situation arose whereby the C in Cs of the Southwest and Southeast Area Fleets outranked Ozawa as far as seniority was concerned. Inevitably, these two Area Fleets were removed from the Combined Fleet and placed under the direct command of Imperial General Headquarters.

Inclusive dates in each box indicate the respective unit's position in the chain of command for that period. Detached, transferred or reassigned units are repeated and placed in their proper positions for the period designated. In box where no date is entered, the unit existed in that position throughout the war.

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	11th Destroyer Squadron																																				(25)	To 11th Destroyer Squadron/Combined Fleet																																			
	TATSUTA																																				(25)	To 11th Destroyer Squadron/Combined Fleet																																			
	6th Destroyer Division																																				(25)	To 11th Destroyer Squadron/Combined Fleet																																			
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	TAMANAMI																																				(1)	To 2d Destroyer Squadron/Second Fleet																																			
	SHINAYAZA																																				(10)	To 2d Destroyer Squadron/Second Fleet																																			
	WAKATSUKI																																				(3)	To 61st Destroyer Division																																			
	YASUMI																																				(30)	To 9th Destroyer Division																																			
	SUZUNAMI																																				(27)	To 32d Destroyer Division																																			
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		(Combined Fleet)												(First Mobile Fleet)										(Combined Fleet)						(2) Deactivated										
Second Fleet	4th Cruiser Division	4th Cruiser Division ATAGO & MAYA TAKAO CHOKAI (4) To Eighth Fleet (20)																																						
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	7th Cruiser Division	7th Cruiser Division WOGAMI & MIKUMA SUZUYA & KUMANO (4) To Third Fleet (4) KUMANO & TONE (2) To 5th Cruiser Div/Second Fleet SUZUYA & CHIKUMA (2) To Combined Fleet																																						
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	Attached	YAMATO (15) To 1st Battleship Div/Second Fleet																																						

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	2d Destroyer Division																																				(1)	Deactivated							
	4th Destroyer Division																																				(14)	To 10th Destroyer Squadron/Third Fleet							
	9th Destroyer Division																																				(1)	To 1st Destroyer Squadron/Fifth Fleet							
	24th Destroyer Division																																				(10)	To 1st Destroyer Squadron/First Fleet							
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	(14) KUNIKAWA MARU																																				(1)								
Attached	KAMIKAZE MARU																																				(10)	To Combined Fleet							
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	16th Cruiser Div.																																				(10)	To Second Southern Exped. Fleet							
	ASHIGARA																																				(10)								
	NAGARA																																				(10)	To 16th Cruiser Div./Second Southern Exped. Fleet							
	KUMA																																				(3)	To Third Southern Exped. Fleet							
	17th Minelayer Div.																																				(3)	Deactivated							
	ITSUKI																																				(3)	To Third Fleet							
	SHIMA																																				(3)	To Third Southern Exped. Fleet							
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TATSUMIYA																																				(3)	To Third Fleet								
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7th Cruiser Division	7th Cruiser Division																																				(14)								
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19th Minelayer Squadron																																								
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																																							(25) Removed	
TOKIWA																																							(14) To Fourth Fleet	
TSUGARU																																							(14) To Eighth Fleet	
TENYO MARU																																							(1) Removed	
MOGAMIGAWA MARU																																							(10) To 24th Air Flotilla/Fourth Fleet	
14th Cruiser Division																																								
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6th Destroyer Squadron																																								
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YOKOHAMA Air Group																																							(10) To 25th Air Flotilla/Eleventh Air Fleet	
KAMOI																																							(10) To 24th Air Flotilla/Eleventh Air Fleet	
GOSHU MARU																																							(10)	
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MARIANAS Airfield Unit																																																								

Fourth Fleet Attached

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	Fifth Fleet/Combined Fleet																								Fifth Fleet/Northeast Area Fleet												Fifth Flt/ SW Area Flt												(5) Deactivated																		
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21st Cruiser Division	21st Cruiser Division																																				(15) Deactivated																														
	TAMA																																				(30) To 11th Destroyer Squadron/Combined Fleet																														
	KISO																																				(30) To YOKOSUKA Nav. Dist.																														
	KIMIKAWA MARU (1) To Fifth Fleet												(14) NACHI																								(15) To Combined Fleet																														
22d Picket Boat Squadron	22d Picket Boat Squadron																																				(25) ASHIGARA												(15) To Fifth Fleet																		
	AKAGI MARU (1)																																				(21) To 22d Picket Boat Squadron/Northeast Area Fleet																														
	AWATA MARU (1)																																				(21) To 22d Picket Boat Squadron/Northeast Area Fleet																														
	ASAKA MARU (1)																																				(1) To Supply Unit/Combined Fleet																														
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																																					(25) KAMATSU MARU (25) (1) To 2d Picket Boat Group																														
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31st Escort Squadron																																					31st Escort Squadron (20) (5)																														
																																					ISUZU (20) (5)												To Combined Fleet																		
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																																					21st Coast Defense Group (20) (25)												To First Escort Fleet																		
1st Destroyer Squadron																																					CD 22 & CD 29 (20) (25)																														
																																					30th Destroyer Div. (20) (10)												Deactivated																		
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7th Base Force																																					(1) (To Combined Fleet)																														
																																					21st Destroyer Division (1) (5) (20)												To 2d Destroyer Squadron/Second Fleet																		
																																					7th Destroyer Division (1) (20)																														
																																					(3) 18th Destroyer Division (15) Deactivated																														
7th Base Force	7th Base Force												CHICHIJIMA Area Sq Base Force																								31st Destroyer Division (15) (20) To 2d Destroyer Sq/Second Fleet																														
	CHICHIJIMA Air Group												(15) (25)																								SHIMAZA (15) (20) To Combined Fleet																														
	10th Converted Gunboat Div. (10)												MAGANE MARU (25)																																																						
																																					(15) YOSHIDA MARU (15) Removed												To YOKOSUKA Nav. Dist.																		
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	17th Converted Minesweeper Div. (25)																																																																		
66th Converted Subchaser Div. (15) Deactivated																																																																			
7th Defense Unit												CHICHIJIMA Com. Unit (14) (25)																																																							
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Sixth Fleet																																					7th Submarine Squadron 51st Submarine Div. (1) Deactivated I-361 (15) Deactivated I-362 (15) Deactivated I-364 (6) (10) Removed I-363 (15) (20) I-365 (30) (10) Removed I-366 (2) (20) I-367 (15) (20) I-368 (2) (20) I-370 (4) (20) I-371 (6) (20) I-369 (15) (20) I-372 (8) (20) HA-10 (27) (20) HA-104 (5) (20) HA-102 (10) (20)												Deactivated						To 15th Submarine Division						To 16th Submarine Division					
	Attached	1st Subm. Div. (1) (10) 3d Subm. Div. (1) (10) I-10 (1) (10) I-28 (6) (24) To 14th Subm. Div. 14th Subm. Div. (24) (10) To 8th Subm. Sq./Sixth Fleet I-30 (28) (10) To 14th Subm. Div. 13th Subm. Div. (10) (14) To 7th Subm. Sq./Eighth Fleet												7th Submarine Division (20) To Fifth Fleet I-7 (20) (31) To 7th Submarine Division I-8 (20) (1) To 14th Subm. Div.												RO-35 (20) (31) RO-36 (20) (31) To 34th Subm. Div. RO-37 (24) (31)												30th Subm. Base Unit (25) (1) Deactivated 35th Subm. Base Unit (25) (1) Deactivated 31st Submarine Base Unit (5) (20) To KURE Supply Unit TSUKUSHI MARU (20) (10) Removed YASUKUNI MARU (15) (10) Removed												(5) To Third So. Exped. Ft.																
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	18th Escort Squadron																																																	18th Escort Sq. (10) (5) Deactivated TOKIWA (10) (5) KOEI MARU (10) (5) To Seventh Fleet EIJO MARU (10) (5) CHOHAKUSAN MARU (10) (10) Removed																
	1054 Escort Squadron																																																	1054 Escort Sq. (10) HARUTSUKI (10) OKI (10) MIYAKE (10) UKU (10) KABUSHI (10) KANAWA (10) CD 59 (Coast Defense Ship No. 59) (10) CD 60, 67, 192 & 213 (10)																
Attached																																																	CD 102, 104, 106 & 154 (10) SHIMONOSEKI Guard Unit (10) 33d Converted Minesweeper Div (10) (1) Deactivated TOKIWA & KOEI MARU (5) (10) To General Escort Command EIJO MARU (5) (10) Removed TSUSHIMA Guard Unit (15) 21st Coast Defense Group (10)																	

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													(14) W-20 & W-21 (Wingsweeper No. 20 & 21)												(10) To MAKO Area Special Base Force/TAKAO Nav. Guard Dist.																																											
													(1) W-2E												(3) To 1st Base Force/Eighth Fleet																																											
													(14) 21st Subchaser Division																								(1) To 5th Base Force/Fourth Fleet																															
																									(1) 24th Subchaser Division																																											
																																					(10) W-21 & W-22												(5) To Third Southern Exped. Fleet																			
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													(14) Ch 31																																				(1) To 4th Base Force/Fourth Fleet																			
																																																	(1) To Supply Unit/Combined Fleet																			
													(14) NIKKAI MARU																																				(1) Removed																			
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													(14) 56th Converted Subchaser Div.																																				(1) Deactivated																			
													(14) 81st Guard Unit																																				(1) To 8th Base Force/Southeast Area Fleet																			
												(14) 82d Guard Unit												(29) To 7th Base Force																								11th & 31st Antisubm. Detection Stations (1) (1)																				
												(14) 83d Guard Unit												(3) To 1st Base Force/Eighth Fleet																								To 14th Base Force/Eighth Fleet																				
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												(25) 8th Harbor Master's Office																																				(1)																				
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													(20) Ch 1, 2, 3												(1) To 21st Special Base Force/Second Southern Exped. Fleet																																											
													(3) W-22																								(1) To MAIZURU Nav. Dist.																															
																									(15) W-15																								(1) To SASEBO Coast Defense Squadron																			
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																																					(1) W-28												(5) To Third Southern Exped. Fleet																			
													(3) 84th Guard Unit												(20) Deactivated																								(5) 87th Guard Unit																			
													(3) SASEBO 6th Special Naval Landing Unit																																				(5) KURE 7th Special Naval Landing Unit																			
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2d Base Force													(29) 2d Base Force																																																							
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													(29) 2d Communications Unit																																				(15) To Ninth Fleet																			
													(29) 12th Harbor Master's Office																																				(15)																			
													(29) 2d Antisubmarine Detection Station												(10) (7) Deactivated																								(5) 5th Antisubm. D.S. (1) (5)																			
14th Base Force																																																	(8) Ch 35 (15)																			
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8th Combined Special Naval Landing Force													(24)	8th Combined Special Naval Landing Force												(0)	Deactivated													
													(24)	MAIZURU 4th Sp. Nav. Landing Unit												(24)	(1) To YOKOSUKA Nav. Dist.													
													(24)	KURE 6th Sp. Nav. Landing Unit												(24)	Deactivated													
													(24)	YOKOSUKA 7th Sp. Nav. Landing Unit												(24)	To 14th Base Force/Eighth Fleet													
7th Combined Special Naval Landing Force														7th Combined Special Naval Landing Force (20)												(0)	Deactivated													
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														16th AA Unit (20)												(0)	To 1st Base Force/Eighth Fleet													
														17th AA Unit (20)												(0)														
Eighth Fleet													(14)	TSUGARU												(0)	To Third Southern Exped. Fleet													
													(1)	SHIRATAKA												(29)	To 2d Special Base Force													
													(14)	30th Destroyer Div.												(0)	Deactivated													
													(20)	6th Destroyer Div.												(25)														
													(20)	AMAGIRI												(25)	To 3d Destroyer Squadron/Eighth Fleet													
													(0)	YUGIRI (25)												(25)														
													(0)	MOCHIZUKI												(30)	To 30th Destroyer Division													
													(0)	OZUKI												(30)														
														(0)	YUNAGI												(0)	To 22d Destroyer Division												
													(14)	KIYOKAWA MARU												(0)	To Nav. Ministry Supply Force													
													(14)	SOYA												(0)	To Combined Fleet													
													(14)	10th Cons. Unit												(24)	To Eleventh Air Fleet													
													(14)	11th Cons. Unit												(25)	Deactivated													
													(14)	12d Cons. Unit												(24)	To 110th Cons. Unit													
													(14)	13d Cons. Unit												(25)	Deactivated													
													(14)	14th Cons. Unit												(24)	To Eleventh Air Fleet													
													(14)	15th Cons. Unit												(15)	Deactivated													
													(25)	18th Cons. Unit												(24)	To Eleventh Air Fleet													
													(10)	101st Cons. Unit												(5)														
													(11)	121st Cons. Unit												(5)	To Southeast Area Fleet													
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													(14)	BASEBO 5th Sp. Nav. Landing Unit												(14)	(5) To Ninth Fleet													
													(05-25)	To Fourth Fleet																										
													(5)	YOKOSUKA 6th Sp. Nav. Landing Unit												(30)	To 1st Base Force/Eighth Fleet													
													(5)	BASEBO 6th Sp. Nav. Landing Unit												(30)	To 1st Base Force/Eighth Fleet													
												(24)	YOKOSUKA 5th Sp. Nav. Landing Unit												(05)	Deactivated														
												(0)	KURE 7th Sp. Nav. Landing Unit												(20)	To 7th Combined Special Naval Landing Force/Eighth Fleet														
												(0)	2d Air Group												(0)	To 26th Air Flotilla/Eleventh Air Fleet														
												(0)	958th Air Group												(0)	To Eleventh Air Fleet														
												(05)	4th Survey Unit												(0)	To Combined Fleet														
												(5)	1st AA Unit												(20)	Deactivated														
												(5)	2d AA Unit												(0)	To Southeast Area Fleet														
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												(5)	8th AA Unit												(20)															
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												(5)	5th AA Unit												(0)	To Southeast Area Fleet														
												(5)	19th AA Unit												(25)	Deactivated														
												(29)	131st Cons. Unit												(5)	To Southeast Area Fleet														
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24th Converted Cruiser Division	24th Converted Cruiser Div. Deactivated																																																							
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	AIKOKU MARU (10)																																																							
	KIYOSHIMA MARU (10)																																																							
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																																					(1) CHOH MARU (20) To 5th Picket Boat Group												(10) Deactivated							
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Combined Fleet	11th Seaplane Tender Division (14)																																																							
	MIZUHO (20) Removed												To Second Fleet																																											
	CHITOSE (14)																																																							
	KANIKAWA MARU (20) (14)																																																							
11th Air Flotilla																																					11th Air Flotilla (20) (10) Deactivated																			
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62d Air Flotilla																																					62d Air Flotilla (5) (15) Deactivated																			
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2d Combined Sp. Nav. Landing Force	2d Combined Special Naval Landing Force												(1) Deactivated																																											
	YOKOSUKA 5th Sp. Nav. Landing Unit												(1) To Combined Fleet																																											
SASEBO Combined Sp. Nav. Landing Force	SASEBO Combined Sp. Nav. Landing Force												(10) Deactivated																																											
	SASEBO 1st Sp. Nav. Landing Unit												(10) Deactivated																																											
1st Transport Squadron	SASEBO 2d Sp. Nav. Landing Unit												(10) Deactivated																																											
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	URAGAMI MARU																																				(10) Removed																			
ASAHI MARU																																				(10) Removed																				
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