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LOCATION OF JAPANESE FLEET UNITS

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From: Fleet Intelligence Officer.

To: Admiral.

Subject: ORANGE FLEET—Location of.

1. From best available information units of the ORANGE fleet are *thought* to be located as listed below:—

Yokosuka Area

TAKAO (CA)-----	1 CA
3rd Fleet HQ-----	?
#1 Patrol Force-----	?
AIR GROUP of 5th Fleet (Chichijima?)-----	36 planes ?

Total—1 CA plus ? 36 planes.

Kure—Sasebo Area

CinC Combined Fleet

CinC First Fleet

BatDiv 1 & 2-----	6 BB ?
Crudiv 6—may head for Mandates (?)-----	4 CA ?
Desron 1-----	1 CL

12 DD

CinC 3rd Fleet in NAGARA-----

1 CL-----	1 CL
Desdiv 12 (?)-----	1 CL

4 DD

<i>Cruiser Division EIGHT</i> -----	2 CA
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Total—6 BB—6 CA—1 CL—16 DD.

Shanghai Area

CinC China Fleets in IZUMO-----	1-OCA
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Shanghai Base Force-----	1-PG
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3-ODD

plus miscellaneous craft

#10 Air Group-----	36 planes (?)
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Total—1 OCA—1 PG—3 ODD—36 planes, etc.

Bako—Takao Area

THIRD Fleet Submarine Squadrons-----	1 AS
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6 SS (I)

Subron-5-----	1 CL
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6 SS

Subron-6-----	1 CL
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4 SM

Desron-5 less Desdiv 22-----	1 CL
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8 DD

#2 Base Force-----	3 CM
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5 XPG or XPC

17 AP or AK

Desron-4-----	1 CL
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12 DD

LOCATION OF JAPANESE FLEET UNITS—Continued

*Bao—Takao Area—Continued**Comdr. Combined Air Force*

5th Air Battalion (Army ?)

11th Air Group----- 36 planes

Air Squadron 6----- 3 XAV

----- 30 planes

Air Squadron 7----- 3 AV

----- 48 planes

23rd Air Group----- 36 planes

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Genzan Air Group----- 36 planes

Shiogama Air Group----- 36 planes

Kanoya Air Group----- 36 planes

Kasuga Maru----- 1 XCV

----- 36 planes

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CinC 2nd Fleet with units enroute TAKAO

plus Crudiv-5----- 4 CA possibly 5 CA

Desron-2----- 1 CL

----- 16 DD

Cardiv-4----- 2 CV & 4 DD

Cardiv-3----- 2 CV & 3 DD

Batdiv-3 less HARUNA----- 3 BB (maybe 2 BB)

Total—3 BB—4 CV—7 CL—47 DD—4 SM—3 AV—4 XAV—4 CA—
3 CM—17 XAP—5 XPC—450 planes.*Hainan—Canton Area*

CinC South China (in ISUZU)----- 1 CL

CinC Sm Exp Force----- 1 CA

Crudiv-7----- 4 CA

Desron-3----- 1 CL

----- 15 DD

1st Base Force (?)----- 3 CM

(part of this may be in Formosan waters). 12 AM's

6 XPG

12 PC

27 AP

Total—5 CA—2 CL—15 DD—3 CM—12 AM's—6 XPG—12 PC—
27 AP.*French Indo China*

CinC S. Exp. Fleet in CHOKAI----- 1 CA

1 CL

1 CM

9 Torpedo Boats

? XPG

Total—1 CL—1 CM—9 Torp. Boats & Miscellaneous.

Some of 1st & 2nd Base Force are may be here (?)

OMURA AIR GROUP----- 36 planes

12 Air Group { 36 planes (?)

13 Air Group { Some may be on Hainan----- 36 planes (?)

14 Air Group { 36 planes (?)

*Mandate Area**PALAO*

16th Air Group----- 36 planes

3rd Base Force----- 10 XPG

----- 4 SS (Ro)

Total—36 planes—10 XPG—4 SS.

Truk

CinC 4th Fleet----- 1 CL

2 OCL

1 CL

8 DD

