

EXHIBIT No. 40

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Text.—Army has offered to make available some units of infantry for reenforcing defense battalions now on station if you consider this desirable X Army also proposes to prepare in Hawaii garrison troops for advance bases which you may occupy but is unable at this time to provide any antiaircraft units X Take this into consideration in your plans and advise when practicable number of troops desired and recommended armament.

Copy to: War Plans Division, U. S. Army

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OFFICE OF THE COMMANDANT,
FOURTEENTH NAVAL DISTRICT,
PEARL HARBOR, T. H., 7 May 1941.

Via Clipper Mail—Confidential

From: Commandant, Fourteenth Naval District.

To: The Chief of Naval Operations.

Subject: Local Defense Measures of Urgency.

1. A careful study indicates that the only way that submarines can be kept out of an area or destroyed is by the use of:

(a) Small, fast sea-going vessels equipped with listening gear, depth charges and guns.

(b) Aircraft.

(c) A combination of (a) and (b).

(d) Mines.

2. In any Pacific war, it appears very obvious that the principal effort of our enemy will be to concentrate its submarine activity in the area outside and near Honolulu, Pearl Harbor, the island bases and the other parts of the islands. The protection supplied by existing arrangements for this area, exclusive of the Fleet, is very weak and unsatisfactory.

3. At the present time, the District Commandant has four old destroyers only, and these vessels, in addition to their anti-submarine activities, also act as escorts and patrols in the coastal frontier; he has no aircraft and complete reliance has to be placed (exclusive of the Fleet) on Army planes. This necessarily requires much indoctrination of pilots and much training to qualify them for the recognition of various types of vessels and other matters pertaining to the sea before they become proficient in spotting and attacking submarines.

4. At the island bases, harbors with some degree of security will be at Midway, Johnston and Palmyra, but it is thought that craft as indicated in subparagraph (a) of paragraph 1 of this letter will be required at these places.

5. This is particularly true at Wake where it will be a couple of years before the harbor is dredged out. The quickest time ever made in unloading a ship