

WAR DEPARTMENT

Exhibit # 27

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original notes taken by
Capt Robinson U.S.N.R. in the
interrogation of Rear Admiral
Lomicka

Shinagawaku, TOMIOKA - Smooth skin - Poised face.
Kani Asaki, Chojamaru, 3rd Kai-
gun Kaigakko-mae. - In Naval War College.

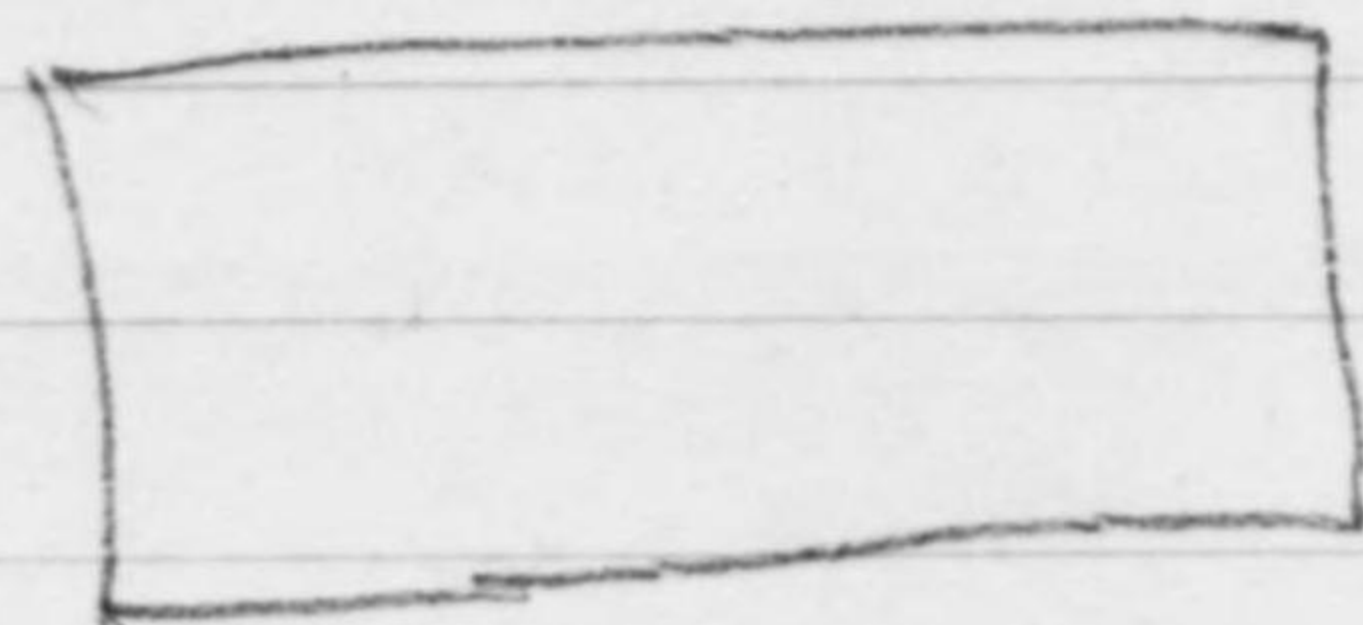
Rear Admiral

~~Captain~~ TOMIOKA

Nov. 43.

Chief member War Rec. Institute.
Office has charge replying to Qs sent out
by Col. Munson.

1917 Naval Academy. (July)



1939 November aptd Instr Naval Staff College.

1940 October - Staff Gen Hqs. - Navy Gen Staff.
Operations.

1942 December - Captain of OYODO new cruiser.

1943 November - Asst. C/S SE fleet 'in charge
of Airfield Const. & Fuel Supply.

1944 June - C/S of SE fleet. Rabaul Hq.

1944 Dec. - Staff Officer, G.H.Q. Conarty, head
post head of Bureau of Naval Hist.

1945 Oct. - Became Chief member War Rec. Institute.
To reply to Questions sent in by Munson
& to gather materials.

Adm.
Somoka

What are principal questions which are pertinent
& require attention?

Dr. of USS BS not diffcult - Lack of records
" " Col. Munson being on political ops.

1. Operational phase

2. Foreign relations

Inquiry but not opinion

Q - What records - naval hist + war records

A - Purely an Institute to gather materials of operational nature.

Q - For example.

A - Information they took for attack P.H and the movements of various units and method of escort, attack etc.

Q - What records - nature of -

A - Majority were burned when Navy ministry was burned and rest burned on Aug just before surrender but are conducting search for copies of the records & have called in persons resp the

Operations orders

Rear Admiral Tomioka

(broad)

Q - Since your naval career has been spent mostly in operations, you would be ignorant in regard to the political angle, wouldn't you?

A - Since I have been connected mostly with the operational aspect of the navy, I am willing to give you all the information in regard to operations.

Q - What are your present duties?

A - I collect data and material and reply to the questionnaires sent in by the American officers in regard to the operational aspects of the Japanese navy. The political questions are handled by another department.

For example, I prepared the answers to the questionnaires sent in by Col. Munson and assist the United States Bombing survey mission in regard to collecting data and material. (He showed me the work he had done, which included a reproduction of the operational orders.)

Q - Do you have a record of the operational orders issued up to the outbreak of the war?

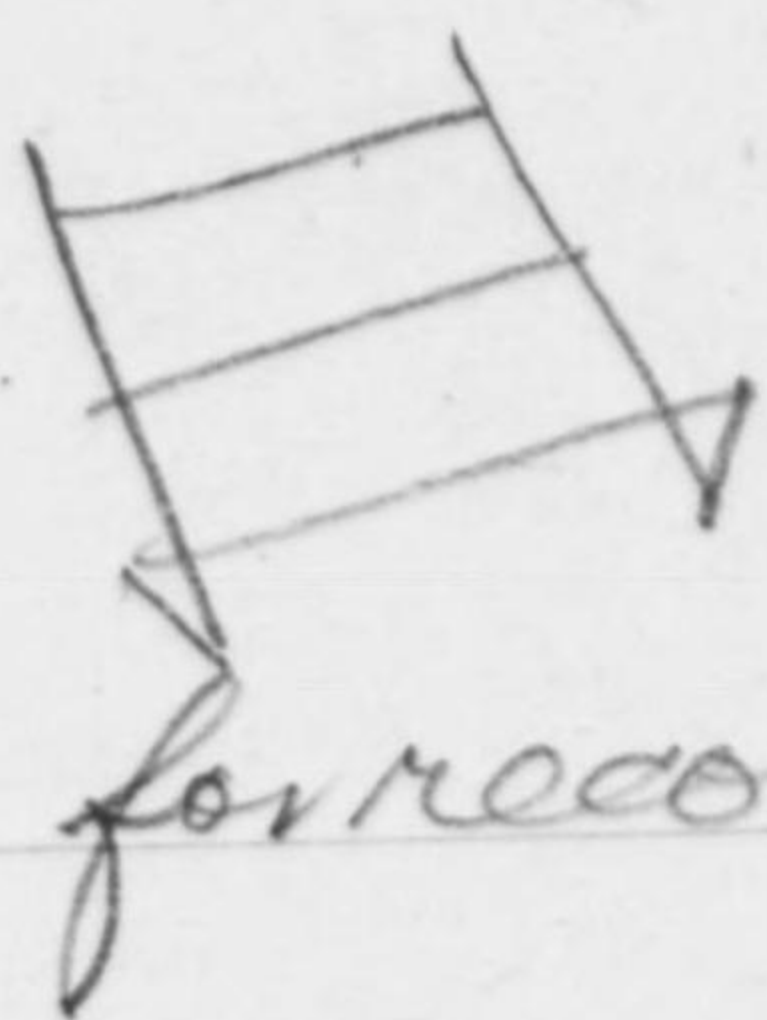
(Wada)

A - The early orders were all lost in the navy Ministry fire, but we have been able to reproduce those orders. As for the orders issued during the latter part of the war, we have the originals.

Q - Have you a copy of the combined fleet's secret operation order #1 issued on November 1st?

A - I can't recall any combined fleet order issued on that date. In fact, an order cannot be issued until it has first been forwarded to the emperor for approval.

(We discussed this question for a long time and it was finally decided to visit his office to clear ^{up} this ~~mess~~ ^{lack of} understanding.)



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Tomioka

for reconstruction.

Copy of —
Operational orders —
Replies to Col Munson's as.

Thurs.

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Room

Capt. Omal

— next member —

— 1³⁰ to 3⁰⁰ —

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List of orders.

Order No. 1

Originals — Bombing Survey.

This combined Fleet Op Intl Plan — these all
highly secret documents.

USSBS going thru Navy records every
day — Has men under him.

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Ask Wada who would
Orders from Tomioka