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TOKOROZAWA AIRFIELD

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The airfield was operative.

A large training center for ground crew men was located in connection with the airfield.

The main field was sod surfaced and apparently well drained. The one runway was surfaced with rubble rolled smooth. Small thin patches of concrete on the surface indicated the possibility of such material being rolled in as a binding agent.

The landing strip runs north and south and is approximately 4,900 feet in length, 120 feet in width.

Tokorozawa was an army field type MAD. Both bombers, fighters, and transports were located on the airfield and in adjoining dispersal areas.

Facilities indicate that the field was used for staging, as a fighter base, as a ground crew school and possibly as a repair center.

Buildings containing forges and machines contained earth blast walls around each installation within the building.

Three of the four buildings which were heavily reveted and identified as Ammo. storage were found to be barracks for men maning the automatic weapons. The other was wrecked beyond positive identification but was in all probability a storage dump.

Dispersal was extensive to the north and east of the field all taxiways were rolled earth. Planes were generally parked along the taxiways under trees.

Revetments at the north west cerner of the field were of earth construction and those observed were large enough to accomodate a medium bomber.

Along the north side of the field 8 concrete covered revetments were observed. They were large enough to accomodate fighters.

Dispersal areas to the north and east total 28 linear miles.

One large large lighter than air hangar is located at the south end of the field. The dimensions were 135' x 430'. It is probably of pre war construction and has been seriously damaged.

Automatic guns have been removed from all emplacements. Remaining evidences seem to indicate that they were of 7.7 or 13.7mm caliber rather than the 20mm or greater as classified by P.I.

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The revetments averaged 12' 6" in diameter.

All planes located in the dispersal areas or in revetments were unusable.