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Reply to Military Analysis Division Questionnaire No. 2

Philippines - Netherlands East Indies

7 December 1941 - 1 March 1942

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I. Japanese Army Air Units operating in these areas from 7 December 1941 to 1 March 1942.

- A. Philippines area is shown in Appendix No. 1.
- B. Malaya and Netherlands East Indies Area is shown in Appendix No. 2.

II. A. Philippines Area

1. Although we planned to make our first attacks in the Philippines Area on the STOTSNEBURG Airfield, we were worried about the lack of cruising range of the planes and equipment used by the fourteenth HIKOSENTAI. Finally, we were forced to change the operations plan for the attack on airfields and military installations so that the Navy Air Units made all the attacks south of 15 degrees North Latitude, and the Army Air Units made the attacks north of that latitude.
2. The Army Air Units came under the immediate command of Southern Area Army Headquarters and worked closely with the Fourteenth Army.
3. Outside of cooperating with the Navy Air Units, there was no command relationship.

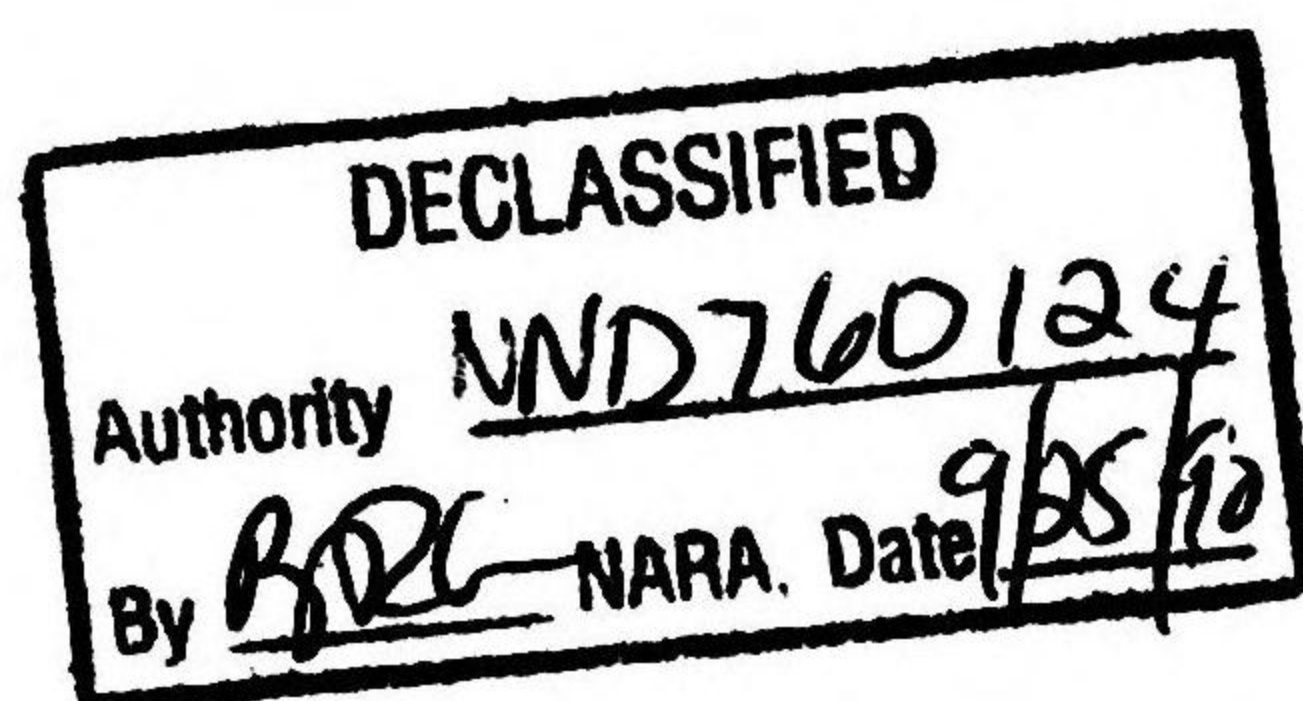
B. Malaya-Netherlands East Indies Area.

1. On the whole, there were no important changes in the plans.
2. The Army Air Units were under the direction of the Southern Area Army Headquarters and constantly cooperated with the Twenty-fifth Army. However, the eighty-third DOKURITSU HIKOTAI was under command of the twenty-fifth Army.
3. They maintained constant liaison with the Navy Air Units.

III. A. The important attacks in the Philippines Area are listed in Appendix No. 3.

B. The important attacks in the Malaya-Netherlands East Indies are listed in Appendix No. 4.

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## IV. A. Aircraft Losses.

Note: The first number given is for the Philippines Area; the number in the parentheses is for the Malaya-Netherlands East Indies.

TYPE OF AIRCRAFT	LOSSES IN AERIAL COMBAT	GROUND LOSSES	NON-COMBAT LOSSES	TOTAL
Hq Recon Plane	0 (2)	0 (0)	3 (3)	3 (5)
Fighter Plane	5 (35)	7 (8)	7 (20)	19 (63)
Twin-Engine Light Bomber	3 (12)	2 (2)	5 (5)	10 (19)
Single Engine Light Bomber	7	2	5	14
Heavy Bomber	0 (3)	0 (15)	3 (2)	3 (20)
Army Recon Plane	1 (2)	3 (3)	4 (2)	8 (7)
Direct Cooperation Recon Plane	3	2	5	10
Total	19 (54)	16 (28)	32 (32)	67 (114)

## B. Losses of Aircraft Personnel

1. Losses due to aerial combat - 20 (Approx. 100)
  2. Non-combat losses - 5 (Approx. 10)
- Total - 25 (Approx. 110)

Note: These figures are approximate.

V. A. Air Units withdrawn from the Philippines Area.

UNIT	REASON FOR WITHDRAWAL	AREA TO WHICH WITHDRAWN	DATE	ROUTE
5th HIKOSHIDAN	Committed to operations in the Burma Area ↓	THAILAND	10 Jan 42	<u>Philippines</u> to
4th HIKODAN		THAILAND	10 Jan 42	<u>Formosa</u> to
50th HIKOSENTAI		THAILAND	10 Jan 42	<u>Hainan</u> to
8th HIKOSENTAI		THAILAND	10 Jan 42	<u>Rangoon</u> to
14th HIKOSENTAI		THAILAND	10 Jan 42	<u>Thailand</u>

B. No units were withdrawn from the Malaya Area.

VI. PALEMBANG Attack.

Unit	Base		
3rd HIKOSHIDAN	1. Directly Attached 81st HIKOSENTAI	KAHAN (?)	
	2. 3rd HIKODAN 90th HIKOSENTAI 64th HIKOSENTAI 98th HIKOSENTAI 59th HIKOSENTAI	KLUANG	
	3. 1st TEISHINDAN	KLUANG and KAHAN (?)	

VII. Chain of Commands.

A. Philippines.

14th Army - Lt. Gen. HOMMA, Masaharu

52nd DOKURITSU HIKOCHUTAI Capt. OMORI, Shigera	16th HIKOSENTAI Lt. Col. YANASE, Zengo	10th HIKOSENTAI Col. HOSHI, Komataro
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B. Netherlands East Indies.

3rd HIKO DAN - Maj. Gen. ENDO, Saburo

15th DOKURITSU HIKOCHUTAI (Less the 51st DOKURITSU HIKO CHUTAI) Lt. Col. NAKAHAMA, Gosuke	90th HIKOSENTAI Lt. Col. SETO, Katsumi	75th HIKOSENTAI Lt. Col. TOKUNAGA, Kenji	59th HIKOSENTAI Maj. MUDA, Hirokuni
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VIII. The names of the Japanese Army Air Units in the Philippines and Netherlands East Indies, their bases, number of aircraft, and number of flight personnel as of 1 March 1942 are as shown in appendix No. 5.

Appendix #1  
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Names and Duties of JAPANESE Army Air Units Which  
Operated in PHILIPPINES Area from 7 Dec 1941 - 1 March 1942

Name of Unit			DUTIES	DATE	TYPE OF PLANE	NO OF PLANES	MOVEMENT
SHUDAN	HIKODAN	SENTAI					
5th HIKO- SHIDAN		HIKO- SHIDAN HQ	1. Annihi- lation of U.S. Army Air Corps	7 Dec 1941 to 10 Jan 1942			Gradually moved to THAILAND after 15 January 1942
		HIKO- DAN HQ					
	4th HIKODAN	8th HIKO- SENTAI	2. Protect 14th Army Surface Shipping & Cooperate in Ground Operations		Hq Recce Plane & Twin-Eng Light Bomber	8	
		14th HIKO- SENTAI			Hvy Bom- bers	20	18
		16th HIKO- SENTAI			Single- Eng. Lt Bombers	24	
		50th HIKO- SENTAI			Fighter Planes	37	
		52nd DOKUR- ITSU HIKO- CHUTAI		27 Jan 1941 to 1 Aug 1942	Army Recce Planes	12	With the move- ment of the 5th HIKOSHIDAN and the 4th HIKO- DAN (15 Jan '42) the 10th HIKO- SENTAI with Col HOSHI as the CO came under the Command of the CG 14th Army.
		10th HIKO- SENTAI		Direct coop- eration Recce Planes	6		

JAPANESE Army Air Units which operated in MALAYA,  
NETHERLANDS EAST INDIES Area from 7 Dec 1941 to 1 Mar 1942

Unit		Duties	Date	Base	Type of Planes	No of Planes	Movements
HIKO SHIDAN	HIKO-SENTAI DAN						
	HIKO-SHIDAN Hq	1. Aerial Supremacy in MALAYA Area.		PNOMPENH SUNGEIPATANI KLUANG, PAL-EM-BANG, SINGAPORE			
	81st HIKOSENTAI	2. Cooperate with 25th Army		Same as above	Type 100 Hq Recce Plane	14	
	HIKODAN Hq	3. Cooperate in the Invasion of THAILAND.	8 Dec 1941	COM-PON COUANG, SUNGEEI, KIUANG PALEM-BANG, KALID-JATI			Principally close cooperation with 25th Army. Responsible for operation on PALEM-BANG and Western JAVA.
3rd	59th HIKOSENTAI	4. Aerial Supremacy in the BURMA Area.	to		Type 1 Fighter Plane	36	
	75th HIKOSENTAI	5. Raiding operations & occupation of SUMATRA.	1 Mar 1942		Type 99 Twin-Engined Light Bomber	25	
	90th HIKOSENTAI	6. Aerial Supremacy in JAVA west of East Longitude 107°			Type 99 Twin-Engined Light Bomber	25	
	27th HIKOSENTAI			Same as above less KALIDJATI	Type 99 Attack Plane	27	
	15th HIKOSENTAI (less the DOKURITSU HIKOCHUTAI)			Same as 3rd HIKO-DAN	Type 100 Hq Recce Plane	6	
3rd	HIKODAN Hq						
	7th HIKODAN Hq			PNOMPENH KOTA-BHARU AYERTAWAR			Inflict losses on enemy in SINGAPORE and RANGOON operations
	12th HIKOSENTAI			ALOR-STAR	Type 97 Heavy Bomber	24	
	64th HIKOSENTAI			FUKOKU Island, ALOR STAR, PALEMBANG	Type 1 Fighter Plane	36	
	60th HIKOSENTAI			PNOMPENH, SAIGON, KUALABINO, KETIL	Type 97 Heavy Bomber	27	
	98th HIKOSENTAI				Type 97 Heavy Bomber	25	
	51st DOKURITSU HIKOCHUTAI			Same as 7th HIKO-DAN	Type 100 Hq Recce Plane	6	

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Unit		Duties	Date	Base	Type of Plane	No of Planes	Movement
HIKO-SHIDAN	HIKO-SENTAI						
12th	HIKODAN Hq			FUKOKU Island, SINGORA, KUANTAN, BAPUPAHAT, TANDJOENG, KARANG			Accomplish the task of protecting the 25th Army Convoy
	1st HIKOSENTAI				Type 97 Fighter Plane	36	
	11th HIKOSENTAI				Type 97 Fighter Plane	36	
	HIKODAN Hq			LAMPANG, KULAN			Join the HIKOSHIDAN after 15 Jan. Prepare for the movement to THAILAND and BURMA operation.
	62nd HIKOSENTAI			KRAKOR	Type 97 Heavy Bomber	5-12	
	77th HIKOSENTAI			SIEMREAP	Type 97 Fighter Plane	36	
	31st HIKOSENTAI			BANGKOK	Type 97 Single-Engined Light Bomber	21	
	70th DOKURITSU HIKOCHUTAI				Type 100 Hq Recce Plane	7	

NOTE:

The 83rd DOKURITSU HIKOTAI was also under the command of the 25th Army.  
The 21st DOKURITSU HIKOTAI was in French Indo-China.

The 1st TEISHINDAN was attached for the Palembang Operation.

IMPORTANT ATTACKS IN THE PHILIPPINES AREA

DATE	OBJECTIVE	UNIT	BASE	TYPE OF PLANE	NO. OF PLANES	BOMB AMMO	ESTIMATED RESULTS
8 Dec 1941	BAGUIO	14th HIKOSENTAI	HEITO (FORMOSA)	Heavy Bomber	14	50 Kg	Destruction of military installations
	TUGUEGARAO	8th HIKOSENTAI	KATO (FORMOSA)	Twin-Engined Light Bomber	18	50 Kg	Neutralization of airfield and surrounding area
18 Dec 1941	LINGAYEN and Surrounding Area	8th HIKOSENTAI	APARRI	Twin-Seater Fighter	About 30	50 Kg	Unknown
		16th HIKOSENTAI	APARRI	Single-Engined Light Bomber	About 20	50 Kg	
		50th HIKOSENTAI	VIGAN	Fighter Plane	Over 60		
22 Dec	STATSEN-BURG AIRFIELD	50th HIKOSENTAI	VIGAN	Fighter Plane	30		
		8th HIKOSENTAI	TUGUEGARAO	Twin-Engined Light Bomber	18	50 Kg	About 70% of the installation destroyed
		16th HIKOSENTAI	VIGAN	Single-Engined Light Bomber	18	50 Kg	
		14th HIKOSENTAI	TUGUEGARAO	Heavy Bomber	12	50 Kg	

NOTE: Some of the estimates are not accurate.

Date	Objective	Unit	Base	Type of Plane	No of Planes	Bomb Ammo	Estimated Results
8 to 10 Dec 1941	Airfields in Northern part of MALAYA	7th HIKO-DAN	SAIGON PNOMPENH	Heavy Bomber	About 180	90 tons of 50 KG bombs	Destroyed 90 enemy planes in 3 days mopping up. (1st 3 days of war)
		3rd HIKO-DAN	COMPON COUNANG	Twin-Engined Light Bomber; Type 1 Fighter Plane	100 50	30 tons of 50 KG bombs	
End of Dec 1941	Attack on RANGOON	10th HIKO-DAN	DOMUANG	Heavy Bomber Type 97 Fighter	10 60	About 5 tons	Forced the loss of the harbor and airfield
		7th HIKO-DAN	PNOMPENH	Heavy Bomber Type 1 Fighter	70 50	About 3 tons	
First half of Dec 1941	Southern part of MALAYA	3rd HIKO-DAN	SUNGEI	Twin-Engined Light Bomber; Attack Planes	About 300 Planes	About 90 tons	Lead to surrender of SINGAPORE
		12th HIKO-DAN	KOTA BAHARA, IPOH, TAIPING	Type 1 Fighter; Twin-Engined Light Bomber			
		7th HIKO-DAN	KLUANG, BAPUP PAHAT	Type 97 Fighter; Heavy Bomber; Type 1 Fighter			
14-17 Dec 1941	PALEMBANG	3rd HIKO-DAN	KLUANG	Twin-Engined Light Bomber; Heavy Bomber	60 25 150	About 6 tons	Seizure of PALEMBANG
		98th HIKOSENTAI 64th HIKOSENTAI 1st TEISHINDAN	KAHAN	Type 1 Fighter Type 100 Transport	36		



Appendix #5  
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Japanese Army Air Units which were in Philippines and Netherlands East Indies Areas on 1 March 1942 - their bases, number of planes, and number of airborne personnel.

AREA	UNIT	BASE	NO. OF PLANES	NO. OF AIRBORNE PERSONNEL
PHILIPPINES	10th HIKOSENTAI	CLARK FIELD	Army Recce Plane (2 Chu-tai) - 20 Hq Recce Plane (1 Chu-tai) - 6	24 8
	16th HIKOSENTAI	NICHOLS FIELD	Single-Engined Light Bomber - 24	75
	52nd DOKURITSU HIKOCHUTAI	NORTH MANILA	Direct Co-operation Recce Plane (TAF) - 8	12
NETHERLANDS EAST INDIES	59th HIKOSENTAI	PALEMBANG	Fighter Planes 20	28
	75th HIKOSENTAI		Twin-Engined Light Bomber - 20	70
	90th HIKOSENTAI		Twin-Engined Light Bomber - 22	73
	15th DOKURITSU HIKOTAI (less the 51st DOKURITSU HIKOCHUTAI)		Hq Recce Planes 4	6