

WAR DEPARTMENT

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Case #149

Exhibit #8

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Original notes of Maj Lt General
Capt. Masamichi Fujita

Interrogation of Captain
Masamichi Fujita, IJN

Nov 26 1945

Present: Maj. Brown

Lt Waldorf

Lt Alexander

Interpreter: Rickey Yamaguchi - T4

Presently on the active list IJN

Is Staff member of First
Section, Bureau of Military
Affairs, IJN,

Duties are "organization of
the Japanese Navy."
Has been on this assignment
since May 1942

Graduated Japanese Naval Academy
Class of 1924 (he believes) says
it was about 21 years ago.

Reported for duty with the Second
Fleet from 1934 to 1942

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In November 1941 was stationed
on the ^{USS} Cruiser ATAGO
was staff officer on the C-in-C
2nd fleet. (Admiral Kondo's staff)

~~2nd fleet departed~~
Air raid on Dec 8 on Clark
field was not carrier based,
but was from TOWAN by land
based planes.

Had it planned for Dec.
2nd unless "something came up"
The order was "flexible" and
the 2nd was not a definite
order & was then decided to
be the 5th of December.

(This was wrong)
Received order on 2nd^{or 3rd} that
attack would be carried out
on the 5th or any time after the
5th. Order came from the C-in-C 2nd
fleet.

Captain took part in staff planning
only of operational actions of 2nd fleet

He knows that Admiral Kondo was present at ~~November~~ ~~November~~ on war + he was with him at the conference.

Does know of War games + does not believe Admiral Kondo does. Feels he was too much "Swind" try to have been called in on it.

All of the fleet Commanders participated in a general conference at Tokyo about 10 Nov 41 at which time the Plan to attack the US was discussed.

Does not know whether declaration of war ~~was~~ in advance of attack was discussed.

Was asked how he expected attack to be a success if declaration of war was made prior to attack.

He thought there would be would be

a declaration of war a few hours prior to attack. (Personally feels that one hour would have been sound tactics.

This a joint conference between the Army + Navy with representatives of both branches present. Says Tojo was not present. Does not know who senior Army officer present, ~~was~~ but Lieut. Col. HRAO, (OKitsugu)? was the counterpart on his level.

Their duties were to plan the occupational schedule for all of Southern area which was to be occupied. There was an actual order concerning the conference and getting out the mission of both the Army + Navy. Orders were burned by American bombing attacks.

Feels Jap Navy was better prepared for war than ~~Army~~ Army

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Majority of Plans from TIBETANS
were naval, but a small group were
from the army.