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## Chapter 1151

The German Foreign Minister notified the German government's reply to the island country's ambassador to Germany the next day.

The two colonies of Nanyang and Australia are important colonies of Germany, and it is impossible to transfer them to the island country, which makes the people of the island country die. It is not impossible for the island countries to join the Allies. However, the prerequisite is that the island country must send troops to land in the Far East of Bu Russia and launch an attack westward. The territory laid down can be attributed to the island country.

The ambassador of the island country did not make a reply, but reported the German's reply to the country as soon as possible. Such a major event was originally beyond the reach of a small ambassador abroad.

At the same time, the German Foreign Ministry and the security department began to cooperate to secretly disclose the news that the island country intends to join the Allies and attack Bu Russia, so that spies in the United States and Bu Russia were informed of the news.

Tokyo, the capital of the island country, the Prime Minister's Office.

Prime Minister Fumimaro Konoe convened other cabinet ministers to discuss the German side's answer.

"My lords, the Germans' reply was very insincere. They were willing to admit us to join the Allies, but they asked us to attack Bu Russia. As for the colonies in Southeast Asia and Australia, they even refused to transfer them to us. So now, the empire should How to choose?" Konoe Fumimaro asked.

"Your Excellency, the Germans are probably delaying time, or perfunctory us. It is foreseeable that once Germany defeats Bu Russia, the Germans will not pay attention to us at all. Even if the Empire and the United States join forces, it may be difficult to defeat us. Germany!" Foreign Minister Kazushige Ugaki said.

"Your Excellency, Prime Minister, the Germans obviously have great confidence in this war. This is probably not a good thing for the empire." Said the Prime Minister Ikeda Chengbin.

The important ministers of several island countries all looked a little unsightly. Germany is confident of winning the war. Doesn't that mean that the island nation is very likely to lose the war? This is not the result they hope to see!

"Your Excellency Lu Xiang, what do you think?" Konoe Fumimaro asked. This suggestion was originally proposed by Seishiro Itagaki.

"Your Excellency, I also think that the Germans are perfunctory to us. If we are willing to join the Allies, we have to agree to the Germans' request and send troops to attack Bu Russia. Even if we can capture a large area of Bu Russia. But those territories For us, it is not very useful. In other words, it is not as big as Southeast Asia and Australia. In addition, I suspect that this is just for the Germans to stabilize us. If the Empire now joins the Allies, the Germans will have no worries Defeated Bu Russia, and then defeated

the United States. Then, the Germans will definitely attack the Empire next. Even if the Empire is their ally, the Germans will definitely tear up the alliance without hesitation. At that time, there will be no other With the assistance of the country, the empire may be unable to support itself." Said Seishiro Itagaki.

Suddenly, the complexions of several important ministers of the island country were as dark as the bottom of a pot. If such a thing really happened, the island country might face complete extinction. At that time, the island country will inevitably be destroyed by Germany. All the efforts of the island nation over the years will be in vain.

"Masters, it is obvious that we have no other choice. The Americans want to use us, but the Germans are also unreliable." Konoe Fumimaro said.

For the island country, the best choice still seems to be to be a dog for the Americans. At least, if they can defeat Germany this time, the island nation can still gain a lot of benefits. Although, the possibility of winning is very small. But at least there is a chance of survival. If you choose to cooperate with the Germans, the island country will be completely destroyed.

Several important ministers of the island country also know that there is no other choice. But they did not contact the United States immediately. In other words, the islanders never expected that Germany would secretly disclose the news of the contact between the two parties to the Russian and American governments.

Moscow, the Kremlin, Beria, member of the People's Committee for Security, is reporting the latest intelligence to Joseph.

"Comrade Joseph, according to the latest news we have received, the islanders are in secret contact with the Germans. The islanders are very likely to join the Allies. And, send troops to attack our Far East, and even continue westward along the Trans-Siberian Railway Attack!" Beria reported with a serious face.

"Damn islanders, aren't they a dog raised by the Americans? We are allies! Now, do they actually want to betray the Anti-German Alliance?" Joseph was very angry.

At the same time, Joseph also felt a huge threat from it. If the island country attacks the Far East of Bu Russia, it is impossible for Bu Russia to resist with the strong military power of the island country. In order to fight against the German invasion, Bu Russia has already assembled the power of the whole country on the western front. The military strength in the Far East is undoubtedly relatively empty. Once the island country launches an attack, it will constitute a fatal blow to Bu Russia. It is even impossible to know how long Bu Russia can last in the face of two-front combat.

"Comrade Joseph, if the island country really joins the Allies, it will be a deadly threat to us. Most of the support provided by the United States now passes through Vladivostok and then from the Trans-Siberian Railway Shipped to the western front. After the islanders defect, our aid may be cut off. At that time, our pressure may be even greater!" Molotov reminded.

Joseph's face suddenly turned black like the bottom of a pot. If such a situation really occurs, then Bu Russia may not be far from losing the war.

"No, absolutely cannot let such a thing happen. Comrade Shaposhnikov, from the Far East Front Army. If Bu Russia really dares to attack us, we must defeat them! Let them taste the power of Bu Russia fighters!" Joseph said.

"Yes, Comrade Joseph!" Shaposhnikov replied. However, there was obvious worry in his eyes. He knows very well what the army left in the Far East is now. If the islanders really launch an attack, it may be difficult for them to win.

"Comrade Molotov, immediately convey our protest to the US government. Let them come forward to warn the island country that it must not be allowed to fall to Germany!" Joseph said.

Bu Russia has almost no influence on the island country. The only thing they can do is to ask the master of the island country, the United States, to come forward.

"Yes, Comrade Joseph." Molotov nodded.

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United States, Washington, White House.

President Roosevelt is listening to the report of William Joseph Donovan, director of the US Intelligence Coordination Agency (the predecessor of the Central Intelligence Agency).

"Your Excellency, the island country's ambassador to Germany had a two-hour contact on the morning of October 18. On the afternoon of the 19th, the two had another meeting. Through our efforts, we have basically figured out the content of their meeting. The island country intends to join the Allies led by Germany to fight!" William Joseph Donovan said.

President Roosevelt's complexion suddenly became very ugly. You know, the island country can be said to be supported by the United States. For a long time, the U.S. government has believed that the island country is just a dog raised by them. They are the masters and can let the island country bite people at any time. But now, this dog has a heart of betrayal. This is undoubtedly absolutely unacceptable to the US government.

"Can you find out whether the island government has joined the Allies?" President Roosevelt asked.

"Your Excellency, there is no news about this yet." William Joseph Donovan said.

President Roosevelt nodded: "Your Excellency, I ask the Intelligence Coordination Bureau to continue to pay attention to the intelligence in this area, and find a way to find out the decision of the island government. If the island people really want to join the Allies, we must know in advance. That way, we won't be caught off guard!"

"Yes, Your Excellency the President." William Joseph Donovan replied.

"Call the ministers of the cabinet and hold an emergency meeting!" After William Joseph Donovan left, President Roosevelt left and ordered.

The secretary left to make a phone call. In less than twenty minutes, senior officials of the US government gathered in President Roosevelt's office.

"Gentlemen, let me tell you a very bad news. This time we may be in big \* trouble. The dog we raise may have the intention of betraying us." President Roosevelt said.

"Hiss!"

Suddenly all the people took a breath, and of course they could understand what President Roosevelt meant.

"God! How is this possible? Over the past twenty years, we have given them so much support, helped them rebuild their economy, and redeveloped their military power. Now, are they intending to betray us? If so, God Let these damned guys go to hell!" Secretary of State Hull looked shocked.

Other senior U.S. government officials were also shocked. The island country is a very important part of their dealing with Germany. The island nation's millions of troops and powerful navy will play an irreplaceable role in their plans. Without the strong military power of the island country, even if the island country turns to Germany, it is almost impossible for the United States to win future wars.

"Your Excellency, is this news certain? If the island country really decides to betray us, then we may have to revise our plan!" said War Secretary Woodling.

"This is information obtained by the Intelligence Coordination Bureau. It is basically confirmed. However, it is not known whether Germany and the island country have reached an agreement. However, if the island country really decides to defect, it should be available soon. related news," President Roosevelt said.

"Your Excellency, if this is the case, then we must take action to win over the talents of the island nation. Otherwise, once the island nation really turns their backs, the consequences will be disastrous." Secretary of the Navy Swanson said.

President Roosevelt nodded. Indeed, the United States has invested heavily in island countries. If the island country betrays, all their investment will be in vain.

"Your Excellency, perhaps the situation is not that bad. Germany will not easily accept island countries into the Allies. Those members of the Allies, except for Germany, do not have world-class powers. The purpose of the Germans launching this world war, it is to remove the threat of other countries to Germany's world hegemony. And the island country is also a powerful country. It is also the goal that Germany will inevitably solve. Therefore, Germany will not let the island country enter the Allies. Even if the Germans temporarily let go, then it's just to perfuse the island nation. I think those guys in the island nation are not fools, and they won't fail to guess this. With some means, we may be able to get the island nation back on the right path." Hopkins consultant said.

President Roosevelt and other high-ranking American officials were all brightened. Indeed, the current situation has not reached the worst point.

"Let our ambassadors stationed in the island countries warn the governments of the island countries! In addition, stop providing all kinds of large-scale transactions to the island countries. Without our support, the strong military power of the island countries cannot be maintained at all. Even their countries will face collapse. Yes. At that time, the island government will make a choice. We can also learn from it the real choice of the island people." Hopkins said.

"But, will this push the island country to Germany?" Secretary of State Hull was a little worried.

"If the island country really decides to join the Allies, we will stop providing them with support, just to reduce our losses. Conversely, if the island country and the Germans do not agree, then the island country government will respond immediately. They will agree to our request and launch an attack on the German colonies in Southeast Asia and Australia as soon as possible," Hopkins said.

President Roosevelt nodded: "This is undoubtedly a good idea. Before we asked the island countries to attack Southeast Asia and Australia, they have been shirking. This time, they will have no way to shirk."

"Gentlemen, I found that we have been treating the island countries a little too leniently. It made them dare to obey our orders. So, this time we have to punish the island countries and let them know who is the master! They only it's just a dog we raised, and they have to bite whomever we want them to bite! There is absolutely no price to negotiate!" President Roosevelt said.

"Yes, Your Excellency the President." All the cabinet ministers replied. But everyone is obviously still a little worried that doing so will force the island country to the German side.

"Everyone, don't worry, I dare say that the Germans and the islanders can't agree. The islanders have no other choice but to follow our plan honestly!" President Roosevelt seemed very confident. He still has this bit of political wisdom.

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"Your Excellency, Foreign Minister, the U.S. government is very angry at your government's attempt to betray the anti-German alliance and join the allies! We hope that your government can think about it carefully. Don't forget that the reason why the island country can have today is the support of the U.S. government. It is essential. We don't want the two countries to become enemies!" The US ambassador to the island country looked hostile.

The foreign minister of the island, Ugaki Kasunari, had a wry smile in his heart. He didn't know why the Americans knew so quickly. However, this is obviously absolutely unacceptable. Otherwise, the consequences will be disastrous.

"Your Excellency, the island country is a grateful country. We remember all the help the US government has given us over the years. We will never betray the anti-German alliance. We hope that those rumors will not affect the relationship between our two countries. The relationship between them!" Ugaki Kazusei said.

"I hope so! Our government believes that your government will make the right choice!" The American ambassador said coldly.

After repeatedly guaranteeing that the island country would not betray the United States, Ugaki Kazusei sent the American ambassador away.

After that, he quickly hung up a call to the Prime Minister's Office, and then drove to the Prime Minister's Office to report the situation to Konoe Fumimaro. He knew that this problem had to be solved properly. Otherwise, it will have a huge impact on the island nation.

When Ugaki Kazunari arrived at the prime minister's office, several other important cabinet ministers also arrived. However, everyone obviously already knew about it, and their faces were not very good-looking. Especially Prime Minister Ikeda Chengbin, he was the one who came up with the idea of contacting the Germans. As a result, this happened now. Therefore, if he is to be held accountable, he obviously cannot escape.

"Masters, everyone must have known what happened, right? The U.S. government has already learned about our secret contact with Germany, and has begun to ask questions." Prime Minister Fumimaro Konoe said.

"Your Excellency, Prime Minister, this is my responsibility. I didn't expect it to turn out like this!" Ikeda Chengbin immediately admitted his mistake.

"Ikeda-kun, you also set out for the benefit of the empire. So, you can't blame you for this!" Konoe Fumimaro shook his head. It was agreed by the cabinet to contact the German government at the beginning, and it is obvious that the responsibility cannot be attributed to Ikeda Chengbin alone.

"Yes! I can feel that there is a conspiracy here. Our contact with the Germans was originally conducted in secret. Now, it is known to the Americans. There is no doubt that it was done by the Germans. They can't wait We have fallen out with the United States. In that case, the situation will be more beneficial to them." Said the Minister of the Sea Mitsumasa Minai.

Several other cabinet ministers also expressed their views that this matter was a German conspiracy.

"Misters, let's talk about it, what should we do now? The Americans have already issued a warning to us. We obviously have no time to think about other things." Konoe Fumimaro said.

"Your Excellency Prime Minister, we have already analyzed it before. The way to join the Allies has been blocked by the Germans. If they are willing to give us the two colonies of Nanyang and Australia, we may still take a risk. However, the Germans do not agree to give us Nanyang and Australia, they only agree that we occupy the territory of Bu Russia. Therefore, the Germans will never live in peace with us. There will inevitably be a war between us and the Germans. If we wait until After the Germans defeated Bu Russia and the United States, we basically have no chance of winning. Only when the United States and Bu Russia still exist and are still very strong, we will have a slight chance of winning!" Seishiro Itagaki said

"Yes, Your Excellency Prime Minister. Now, we have no choice. We can only go to war against Germany according to the original plan. Although, the Germans are very powerful. But if we can do our best with the United States and Russia, it may not be possible. There is no chance of defeating Germany. After all, none of our countries are weak. When it comes to the life and death of the country, everyone will definitely not hide anything. If this is the case, there will still be some chances of winning in defeating Germany!" Minai Mitsumasa also said.

At this time, the secretary of the Prime Minister's Office came in and said a few words in the ear of Prime Minister Konoe Fumimaro.

Suddenly, Prime Minister Konoe Fumimaro's face became quite ugly.

"Everyone, just now, the Americans ordered to stop exporting bulk goods to us. Obviously, the Americans are warning us!" Konoe Fumimaro said.

"Damn it, the Americans are forcing us! Your Excellency Prime Minister, we urgently need the goods exported by the Americans. The construction of the 'Yamato-class' battleships also requires special steel imported from the United States!" said Marine Minister Mitsumasa Minai.

"Your Excellency, Prime Minister, let the United States urgently need to support us no matter what. Otherwise, our military strength will be greatly weakened." Itagaki Seishiro also said.

Konoe Fumimaro nodded, the Americans undoubtedly pinched the island country by seven inches.

"Everyone, it seems that we have no other choice but to compromise with the Americans. However, there is no other way, and we decided to compromise with them in the first place." Fumimaro Konoe smiled wryly.

"Ugaki-kun, contact the Americans and tell them that we are preparing to launch an attack on the Germans. Let them resume the supply of resources to us!" Konoe Fumimaro said.

"Your Excellency, Prime Minister, it may be difficult to convince the Americans with just such a sentence!" Ugaki Kazushige was a little embarrassed.

Konoe Fumimaro thought for a while, glanced at Seishiro Itagaki and Mitsumasa Minai, and said, "How long will it take for the army and navy to prepare for war?"

"Your Excellency Prime Minister, if the army wants to start mobilizing, it will take three months to be ready for war!" Seishiro Itagaki said. The island army now has only forty standing divisions. If you want to launch an attack on Nanyang and Australia, you will undoubtedly need more troops. At least, the size of the army must be expanded to hundreds of divisions. In this way, they will have a chance of winning.

"Your Excellency Prime Minister, the navy also needs three months to prepare!" Minai Mitsumasa said. The combined fleet needs to be reorganized. All kinds of materials that need to be consumed in the war must also be prepared, and these will take time.

"Okay, tell the Americans. Three months later, that is, before the end of January 1940, we will launch an attack on Nanyang. The United States must continue to support us in resources. Otherwise, it will seriously affect our war potential Yes!" Konoe Fumimaro said.

"Hi, Your Excellency Prime Minister!" Ugaki Kazunari nodded.

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The island government vowed to launch an attack on Nanyang and Australia before the end of January 1940, and asked the United States to stop sanctions against them. And guarantee that the island country will never betray the anti-German alliance.

The U.S. government considers that if it continues to sanction the island country, it will not only weaken the military strength of the island country, but also may force the island country into the arms of the Germans. President Roosevelt finally decided to resume major transactions with the island nation.

However, President Roosevelt also warned the island government that this will be their last chance. If the government of the island country had not attacked Nanyang and Australia before the end of January 1940, the United States would completely sever relations with the island country and regard the island country as an enemy of the United States.

The island government naturally assured the US government that such a thing would never happen.

Actually, the crisis this time also scared the important ministers of the island's cabinet. Originally, I wanted to be a fool on the fence, to take advantage of it. Unexpectedly, it turned out like this.

This also made the important ministers of the island's cabinet afraid to have other thoughts. Don't make it to the end. Not only did you not join the Allies, but you also offended the United States, a big backer. In that case, it would be too cost-effective. After all, the strong military strength of the island country is largely derived from the support of the United States. Without the support of the United States, their military power will decline rapidly,

The island country has returned to the correct track of anti-Germany, which makes the United States breathe a sigh of relief, and there is no need to worry that it will be betrayed enough. At the same time, it also relieved Bu Russia, who has been paying attention to this matter.

"Comrade Joseph, the U.S. government has stated that the island nation will attack Southeast Asia and Australia at the latest by the end of January next year to contain the strength of the Germans. The U.S. government also promised that the island nation will never betray the anti-German alliance!" Molotov said .

"Then, it seems that our crisis is temporarily resolved. However, we must not take it lightly. The islanders have always been used to being fools, and they will fall to whoever is strong! When the British Empire dominated the world, they fought against the British Empire. Formed an alliance and defeated Tsarist Russia. Later, with the rise of Germany, the islanders also took the initiative to lean on them. However, Kaiser Wilhelm III seemed to dislike the islanders, so he didn't accept them. There was no other way, and the islanders turned to them The United States, treat them as a dog. If we can defeat Germany in the future, the island countries will definitely not be able to stay." Joseph said.

Although the current battle situation is not very favorable to Bu Russia, Joseph has already begun to plan for the post-war. If the anti-German alliance can win this time, then the future world will undoubtedly become a world where Russia and the United States compete. As the running dog of the United States, the island country is naturally a potential enemy of Bu Russia. Therefore, Bu Russia must guard against the island country, and even find an opportunity to severely damage the island country.

"Yes, Comrade Joseph. However, I am afraid it will be difficult for us to threaten the island country!" Shaposhnikov said.

Between the island country and Bu Russia, there is a sea of whales. The naval strength of Bu Russia is too weak, and it is not an opponent of the powerful island navy at all. You know, the current strength of the Japanese navy is second only to Germany and the United States in the world. This also makes it difficult for Bu Russia to pose a threat to the island country.



Joseph's face was a bit ugly: "It's all because of the Germans, who have restricted most of our power on land. Otherwise, we will definitely be able to build a powerful navy! Beyond the era of Tsarist Russia, It's not impossible either!"

During the era of Tsarist Russia, the naval strength of the Russian Empire was once stronger than that of the United Kingdom. However, the disastrous defeat in the Tsushima Sea Battle completely knocked the Russian Empire's navy to its lowest point, making them completely out of touch with naval powers. Even after the establishment of Bu Russia, four powerful "Bu Russia-class" battleships were built with the help of Germany, but that's all.

Other high-ranking Russian officials nodded their heads in agreement. No one wanted to disagree with Joseph on this issue.

"Comrades, this crisis can be regarded as temporarily lifted. However, we still need to be prepared. The formation of the Far East Front Army cannot be stopped. We must leave enough troops in the Far East to guard against the islanders! The Far East is now it has become an important area for us to receive US aid, and there must be nothing wrong there!" Joseph said.

"Yes, Comrade Joseph!" Shaposhnikov nodded.

"In addition, the cold winter has come. Although the Germans have stopped attacking and turned to the defensive. However, anyone can see that the Germans are accumulating strength. When the cold winter is over and the spring is warm and the flowers are blooming, the Germans will definitely launch another attack. At that time, their attack will be more violent and powerful than this time. Therefore, we must be prepared!" Joseph said.

"Comrade Joseph, several newly formed front armies are already preparing. Next spring, we will become even stronger. It is impossible for the Germans to defeat us!" Marshal Voroshilov said.

Although Marshal Voroshilov's People's Commissar of National Defense has resigned, as Marshal of Bu Russia and also Joseph's confidant, he does not need to go to the Western Front to sit in the army before the war begins. In order to avoid being forgotten by Joseph, Marshal Voroshilov went to the Kremlin every now and then.

"Passive defense alone is not enough. Is it possible to take advantage of the severe cold to launch a counterattack against the Germans? Even if it eliminates some of the Germans' vital forces, it will be useful!" Joseph asked.

Voroshilov gritted his teeth. He knew that Joseph's request was very harsh. A bad word would cost them a lot of money. However, Joseph has already made a request, how can he refuse?

"Comrade Joseph, we will try it! Our soldiers are more cold-resistant than the Germans. Fighting in the cold winter is more beneficial to us!" Marshal Voroshilov said.

Joseph nodded, as if he agreed with this point of view very much.

"By the way, has the formation of the Caucasus Front Army been completed?" Joseph asked.

He seems to have thought of this question suddenly.

Before, the Russian army retreated steadily under the fierce German attack. Joseph wanted to launch a counterattack from other directions. The direction of the Persian Gulf in the Middle East is the direction of counterattack he determined. For this reason, he also specially ordered the formation of the Caucasus Front Army.

It's just that the German army attacked fiercely later, and the Russian army suffered heavy losses. In addition, the island country almost defected again, so he didn't care about the Caucasus Front Army. Now, he finally remembered this army again.

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"Comrade Joseph, the formation of the Caucasus Front Army has been completed. During this time, it has been accumulating combat supplies. As long as you give an order, the Caucasus Front Army can launch an attack!" Shaposhnikov said.

Joseph nodded: "Comrades, the Persian Gulf in the Middle East is the most important oil producing area for the Germans. As long as we can capture the Persian Gulf, we will destroy those oil wells. Without the oil in the Persian Gulf, the Germans' powerful war machine will not start. Their tanks and planes will become a pile of scrap metal. We will easily defeat them!"

Indeed, if the Russian army can really occupy the Persian Gulf, it will have a great impact on Germany's war. Although Germany has oil fields in Romania and Libya, with the development of the economy, Germany and the whole of Europe consume more and more oil. Coupled with the progress of the war, the consumption of oil has been further expanded. The oil fields of Libya and Romania alone cannot meet Germany's oil demand at all. At that time, we will even have to limit oil consumption and give priority to ensuring the supply to the army. But if that is the case, it will inevitably arouse the resentment of the people. Therefore, the Russian army's attack on the Persian Gulf will pose a great threat to Germany.

However, Germany is not completely defenseless. Although Germany does not have troops stationed in the Persian Gulf, the local army is responsible for the security there. However, the Republic of Turkey has long stated to Germany that once war breaks out, their army will be on guard against the Russian army in the Caucasus.

Of course, the combat power of the Turkish army is limited, and it is very difficult to say whether it can withstand the attack of the Russian army. However, as long as they can delay the actions of the Russian army, that is enough. Germany will quickly send troops to the Persian Gulf to protect the oil fields there.

The Kingdom of Kuwait is a protectorate of Germany and the most important oil export port with complete port facilities. As long as the German transport ships and merchant ships arrive there, the troops and equipment can be disembarked soon.

During the war against Russia, the German army used sixteen army groups. The other four armies are deployed in Southeast Asia and Australia. In the British Isles and northern France, there is also an army group each. In addition, Germany has two armies serving as reserves. If something happens in the Persian Gulf, the two armies will be quickly boarded and shipped to the Persian Gulf. With Germany's shipping strength, it only takes half a month for the two armies to reach the Persian Gulf. The Turkish army should have no major problems with resisting the Russian army for half a month.

"Comrades, we must seize this opportunity to inflict heavy damage on the Germans and let them know that the great Bu Russia is not so easy to deal with! If we can win, we will be able to turn defeat into victory!" Joseph said.

"Yes, Comrade Joseph!" Everyone replied.

Although, they may not think that Germany can be defeated by conquering the Persian Gulf. However, that is at least very beneficial to Bu Russia.

"Send a telegram to the Caucasus Front Army, and launch an attack a week later! They will win the Persian Gulf, and they will be the heroes of Bu Russia!" Joseph said.

Shaposhnikov's heart trembled, he knew what Joseph meant. After winning the Persian Gulf, the Caucasus Front Army is the hero. If they fail to complete this task, then they will probably become the sinners of Buer. At that time, the leaders of the Caucasus Front Army will be dealt with.

As Buer lost more and more on the battlefield, Joseph became more and more impatient. This made him become more and more strict with the generals who led the troops.

But even so, everyone has no choice. Although Joseph is not the tsar, his current strength is greater than that of the tsar. At least, the Tsar did not have the power to execute ministers or generals at will. But Joseph can!

Tbilisi, the capital of Georgia. As the hometown of Comrade Joseph, Georgia has developed very well over the years, and it is also the place where Joseph is most supported in Burusa.

The components of the Caucasus Front Army are mostly troops stationed in the north and south of the Caucasus Mountains. Those soldiers are almost all locals here. After receiving the order to form the Caucasus Front Army, Kozlov, Shamanin and Torbukhin were preparing for the attack.

The Caucasus Front is still very strong, with the 44th, 45th, 46th, 47th and 51st armies under its jurisdiction. It's just that compared with the main group armies on the western front, their strength is much smaller. The 44th Group Army was formed on the basis of the 40th Infantry Army, under the jurisdiction of the 20th and 77th Mountain Infantry Divisions, the 17th Cavalry Division and several other units. The 45th Group Army was formed on the basis of the 23rd Infantry Army of the Transcaucasus Military Region. It had the 138th Mountain Infantry Division, the 31st and 136th Infantry Divisions, the 1st Mountain Cavalry Division, and part of the artillery unit. The 46th Group Army was established on the basis of the 3rd Infantry Army of the Transcaucasus Military Region. It has the 9th and 47th Mountain Infantry Divisions, the 4th Infantry Division, the 7th Battalion of Independent Armored Trains, artillery and other units. The 47th Army Group was formed on the basis of the 28th Mechanized Army of the Transcaucasus Military District. It had the 63rd and 76th Mountain Infantry Divisions, the 236th Infantry Divisions, the 6th and 54th Tank Divisions, artillery and other units. The 51st Group Army is a newly formed unit, under the jurisdiction of the 9th Infantry Corps, the 271st and 276th Infantry Divisions, the 40th, 42nd and 48th Cavalry Divisions, and several other units.

Among these armies, the most powerful is undoubtedly the 51st Army. But the one with the most powerful attack power belongs to the 47th Army. Two tank divisions with quite a few tanks. In battle, it undoubtedly has a strong assault force.

On October 24, Lieutenant General Kozlov, commander of the Caucasus Front Army, convened generals from all subordinate armies and divisions and above to hold a combat meeting.

All the generals present at the meeting looked serious. They all knew that this meant that after the formation of the Caucasus Front Army, it was about to launch an offensive. Although, the direction of their attack is the Persian Gulf, the first thing to deal with will be the Turks and the local indigenous army. But these generals were also worried about whether they would fight the Germans later. Turks and other native armies, they don't care. However, the Germans are different. On the battlefield of Bu-Russia, the main forces fought by the Germans were retreating steadily. And their Caucasian front army, which has a large number of recruits, can beat the Germans? That is obviously unlikely.

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"Comrades, Comrade Joseph has issued an order. Three days later, we will launch an offensive. From the Transcaucasus to the Persian Gulf! The enemies we are going to face are mainly Turks, Iranians, Iraqis and The Saudis! The armies of these countries are nothing more than German lackeys. Except for the relative strength of the Turks, the rest of the countries are simply vulnerable. The great Russian army can definitely defeat them easily." Lieutenant General Kozlov is full of confidence in this battle.

After Britain lost its supremacy and Tsarist Russia was destroyed, German power entered the entire Middle East. All Middle Eastern countries have been reduced to German protectorates. They also formed a lot of troops at the request of Germany. Especially before the outbreak of the war, a lot of troops were expanded. The number of the Kingdom of Iran's army has reached one million, and it has formed five armies, which are under the command of the military advisory group sent by Germany. Iraq formed an army of 400,000 troops, also commanded by a German military advisory group. The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia has also formed two armies. Sparsely populated Kuwait has formed two infantry brigades.

The armies of these countries have been equipped with German equipment and have been trained by the German army for a period of time. But the fighting power is not very good. However, Germany has never expected the armies of these countries to become first-class powerful armies. I just hope that they can play a role in delaying the Russian army in the event of a war. After the German army arrived on the battlefield, they were able to assist the German army in combat and ensure logistical safety, that is God's blessing. After the war, most of the armies of these countries will be abolished. That way, Germany can control these areas.

"According to the information we have received, the Turks have deployed a total of 400,000 people in the east. In addition, the Iranians have also deployed 400,000 people in the Transcaucasus. The Iraqis have deployed 200,000 people. Therefore, if we want to attack the Persian Gulf, we must first It is necessary to defeat this one million army. Although we have no advantage in terms of strength, I believe that the elite Russian army can definitely deploy those local mobs to beat it!" Lieutenant General Kozlov said.

The other Russian generals also laughed. Indeed, the performance of the Russian army in this battle was not very good, and it suffered heavy losses under the attack of the German army. However, that was facing the most powerful German army in the world! Against other armies, they undoubtedly still have a great advantage.

"Comrades, Comrade Joseph attaches great importance to this attack. He hopes that we can win. It would be the best if we can occupy the Persian Gulf. Even if we can't occupy it, we will attack the Persian Gulf. Those oil wells and oil fields were destroyed, and the Germans were not allowed to get a drop of oil from here. If we can complete this offensive mission, then we will all become heroes of the country!" Political Commissar Shamanin said.

Being able to become a national hero is naturally what everyone desires. At least, their future will be bright. However, they also know that if they fail, the consequences will be very serious. At that time, I am afraid they will have to eat and walk around.

"Comrade Torbukhin, are the combat supplies ready?" Lieutenant General Kozlov asked.

"Comrade Commander, you are ready! There is still a large amount of supplies being transported to the Transcaucasus to ensure our consumption in this offensive operation." Major General Torbukhin, Chief of Staff of the Caucasus Front Army replied.

Lieutenant General Kozlov nodded: "Comrades, everyone, go back and prepare! Three days later, launch the attack on time!"

"Yes, Comrade Commander!" All the generals replied. Everyone knows that the arrow is on the string now, and it has to be launched. They only hope that they will not encounter the Germans in this battle and can win.

Three days passed in a flash. The armies of the Russian Caucasus Front are ready for battle. In particular, the 47th Army of the Russian Army has high hopes from Lieutenant General Kozlov, commander of the Front Army. In the combat plan drawn up by the Caucasus Front Command, the 47th Army will cross the border and attack the northern part of the Kingdom of Iran. Then cross the Zagros Mountains and attack northern Iraq. In this way, it will not only be able to encircle the troops deployed in the north by various countries, but also open the way to the south. At that time, the terrain of Yimapingchuan will be more suitable for the two tank divisions of the 47th Army.

As for the other troops, they were handed over to the mountain infantry units of the Caucasus Front Army. The several armies under the Caucasus, except for the 51st Army, all have quite a few mountain infantry units. Mountain units are better suited for fighting in these mountainous places. Lieutenant General Kozlov believes that this time their attack will definitely win.

The Turkish army and the Iranian army are not clear about the movements of the Russian army. Especially after the German army severely damaged the Russian army on the Western Front, it was believed that the Russian army had already suffered heavy losses. Under such circumstances, the Russian army should take advantage of this rare winter to lick their wounds, and will never launch an offensive without authorization. This also makes their defense a little slack.

At 8:00 am on October 27, the Russian Caucasus Front launched a surprise attack. The entire Caucasus Front Army assembled thousands of cannons and violently bombarded the positions of the Turkish and Iranian troops.

The violent shelling caused heavy losses and panic to the unprepared Turkish and Iranian troops.

After half an hour of shelling, the Russian 44th Front launched an attack on the Turkish army from Georgia. The Russian 45th Army and 46th Army attacked the Turkish Army from Armenia. The 47th

Army and the 51st Army of the Russian Army invaded the Kingdom of Iran from Azerbaijan and attacked the troops deployed by the Kingdom of Iran in the north.

Although, in terms of military strength, both the Turkish army and the Iranian army have an advantage. However, the sudden attack launched by the Russian army blinded them all.

In a panic, the front-line troops didn't have time to take precautions, and the defense line was already breached by the Germans. Under such circumstances, their superiority in military strength could not be brought into play at all. Instead, they were defeated by the Russian army and suffered heavy losses.

Of course, although the Russian army's strength is not dominant. But their soldiers' fighting literacy and fighting will are far above the Turkish army and the Iranian army. The Turkish army and the Iranian army were frightened by the brave fighting style of the Russian army. So much so that the weapons in his hands can't exert much combat power at all.

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"Boom! Boom! Boom!"

Fierce artillery fire was bombarding the Turkish Army's defense line. Although the 44th Army of the Russian Army had only two mountain infantry divisions and one cavalry division under it, the performance of tens of thousands of people on the battlefield was very strong. The 1st Army of the Turkish Army has already had two infantry divisions disabled by them. The rest of the infantry divisions also panicked and retreated to the third line of defense.

The 2nd Army of the Turkish Army is in a more difficult situation. They were besieged by the Russian 45th and 46th armies. These two armies are stronger than the 44th Army. Although the total strength is still not as good as the 2nd Army of the Turkish Army, their strong combat effectiveness has beaten the 2nd Army of the Turkish Army to the ground.

The 2nd Army Headquarters of the Turkish Army located in Van City, Lieutenant General Mehmet, the commander, has sent telegrams to the 1st Army and Ankara for help many times. He expressed in despair that if no more reinforcements were received, the 2nd Army would probably be wiped out within a week.

The situation on the front line suddenly caught the Turkish government by surprise. President Kemal convened senior government and military officials to discuss countermeasures. President Kemal in this time and space is in good health and did not die in his fifties like in another time and space. Still alive and kicking. Also in government affairs, because President Kemal is in power, Turkey's policy is firmly following the German Empire.

Ankara, Presidential Palace President Kemal's face is ugly. Before, at the founding meeting of the Allied Powers, he assured Kaiser Wilhelm III that if the Russian army wanted to go south from the Caucasus to the Middle East, the Turkish army would be responsible for blocking it. Originally, he thought that sending two armies would be able to hold the line of defense. But now it seems that the development of the situation is far worse than he expected!

"Gentlemen! We have deployed two of the most elite army groups in the east! However, they are now being beaten back by the Russian army, which has less than half their strength! What's going on here?" Kemal The president was very angry.

You know, in order to realize the revival of Turkey, he has racked his brains. A lot of money was spent to buy German equipment, and the German officer corps was invited to train the army. Originally, he thought that even if the combat effectiveness of the Turkish Army could not be compared with that of a world-class army like the German Army. But if the Russian army comes, it shouldn't be bad. But now, it has come to such a result.

A group of senior military and political officials in Turkey did not say a word. Even General Enver, Secretary of the Army and Chief of Army Staff, is the same. The army's performance is so bad, what else can he say as the helm of the army?

"Gentlemen, Germany already has a great advantage in this war. They have just severely damaged the Russian army on the Russian battlefield and wiped out more than two million Russian troops. Next year, they will launch a larger-scale attack will further attack the Russian army. I believe that Germany will be able to win this war. If the Republic of Turkey wants to gain more benefits and a higher international status in the future world, it must be urgent We must follow in the footsteps of Germany. Otherwise, we will be completely reduced to a third-rate small country. This war is undoubtedly an excellent opportunity for us. Before, I promised the Kaiser that the Republic of Turkey would definitely be able to Resist the Russian army and prevent them from going south from the Caucasus. Therefore, Germany has not stationed troops in the Persian Gulf. But now if Turkey cannot complete this task, what will our German allies think of us? They will continue to support them Us?" President Kemal continued.

The senior officials of the Republic of Turkey all know that the situation this time is very difficult. If the Russian army really went south to lay down the Persian Gulf, or destroy the oil fields in the Persian Gulf. So, how should they explain to Germany? Even if Germany wins the war in the future, the Republic of Turkey probably won't be able to benefit from it at all.

"Your Excellency, I will immediately send a telegram to the frontline, asking them to stabilize the situation as much as possible. In addition, I will personally lead the 3rd Army to the battlefield. I guarantee that our army will be able to withstand the Russians!" Enver said the admiral.

As the helm of the Army of the Republic of Turkey, he is also an outstanding commander. If he can appear on the battlefield, it will be a great boost to the morale of the Turkish Army. Of course, Admiral Enver also believes that Turkey has assembled three army groups with more than 600,000 people. If it can't resist the 200,000 Russian army, it will be a joke. With such strength, what qualifications do they have to participate in this world war? Not to mention the revival of Turkey.

President Kemal nodded: "We must do our best in this battle. We must do what we promised our German allies! Tell the generals on the front line to stick to their positions and not take a step back! Retreat and punish with treason!"

Everyone can feel the murderous intent in President Kemal's words. If someone violates the order, President Kemal may really raise the butcher's knife.

"Yes, Your Excellency the President." Everyone replied.

"In addition, according to the plan of the German General Staff at the previous meeting of the Allied Powers, we should arm 1.2 million people during the war. Before, we only formed three group armies. Now I ordered further mobilization, and then Form three armies. This time, we will not only resist the Russian attack, but also launch a counterattack. We have fought against the Caucasus Mountains to let the Russians know that we, Turkey, are not to be bullied by them!" President Kemal said.

Germany promised before that the interests of the world after the war will be distributed according to the performance of the members of the Allied Powers in the war. President Kemal hoped that the Republic of Turkey would be at the forefront of the distribution of benefits after the war. In this way, not only will the Turkish Republic gain more benefits, but it will also allow the German Empire to see the usefulness of Germany.

The world is too big, and it would be very difficult for the German Empire to rule on its own. The Republic of Turkey can definitely become a powerful assistant to the German Empire and help the German Empire to rule the world. Of course, this will also benefit the Republic of Turkey a lot.

Although further mobilization of the army requires a lot of financial and material resources. But no one dared to oppose President Kemal's decision at this juncture.

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In northern Iran, the positions of the Iranian Army's 1st Army and 2nd Army were also suddenly attacked by the Russian 47th Army and 51st Army. The sudden attack made the Iranian Army's 1st Army and 2nd Army a little flustered. Before he could react, the front line had already been lost.

No way, under the advice of the German adviser, the Iranian Army's 1st Army and 2nd Army had to abandon their front-line positions and began to retreat.

It's just that the 6th and 54th tank divisions of the 47th Army of the Russian Army performed very well in this battle. Although on the Western Front, the Russian T-28 medium tanks, T-26 light tanks and BT-7 fast tanks were completely killed by the German tiger and leopard tanks. However, on the battlefield in the Middle East, they suddenly regained the feeling of being the protagonist of the battlefield.

Although a tank division of the Russian army is equipped with more than a hundred tanks. However, the frontline troops of the Kingdom of Iran did not even have a single tank, and all of them were pure infantry. Although the Kingdom of Iran also has an armored division. But the equipment is insufficient, and the personnel are still in training, so they have not formed combat effectiveness at all. This allows them to rely on those anti-tank weapons to fight back when facing the Russian tank attack.

If the well-trained German army manipulates these anti-tank weapons, it may be able to make the Russian tank troops pay a heavy price. After all, the tanks of the Russian army are weak in defense, and 37mm anti-tank guns can easily destroy them. But unfortunately, the quality of the Iranian army is limited, and they simply cannot use the combat power of those anti-tank weapons. So much so that their performance on the battlefield is very bad.

"Boom!"



A T-28 tank of the Russian army opened fire, and a high-explosive shell hit a machine gun fire point of the Iraqi army. The entire machine gun fire point was blown away in the explosion. The Iraqi machine gunner hiding behind was also killed.

"Da da da!"

The machine guns on the Russian tanks fired wildly, and the Iraqi soldiers couldn't even raise their heads under the pressure of dense bullets. Those who accidentally popped their heads have been shot, so that the remaining soldiers can only hold their heads and shrink in the trenches, trembling.

"Bastard! Anti-tank guns, kill the Russian tanks!" An officer shouted.

A 37mm anti-tank gun was pushed up and aimed at the Russian tank.

"Boom!"

The anti-tank gun fired, and the 37mm armor-piercing projectile, like cutting tofu with a knife, easily cut through the armor of the T-28 medium tank. The armor-piercing shell hit the ammunition rack, detonating the shells on it. The entire tank became a pile of burning scrap iron.

"Long live!" The soldiers cheered.

However, at this moment, a BT-7 fast tank has already circled to the side of the anti-tank gun.

"Boom!" The 45mm tank gun fired.

This anti-tank gun was directly blown up, and the anti-tank artillery also suffered heavy casualties.

Although the Iranian army resisted, the Russian army led with two tank divisions. Under the impact of the Russian tank troops, the Iraqi army's defense line was easily broken through.

"Surrender! I surrender! Don't kill me!"

A young Iraqi soldier, seeing the Russian tanks rolling over him, knelt on the ground in fright, raised his hands and surrendered.

However, the tank soldiers of the Russian army seemed to turn a blind eye to this, and ran over him directly.

The tank's tracks were on the ground, leaving two long \*\*\*\* marks.

More and more Iraqi soldiers began to retreat. They were very powerless in front of the Russian tanks and could only choose to escape.

However, the legs are obviously not comparable to tanks and armored vehicles. Many soldiers had no choice but to surrender after being caught up.

The Russian army did not kill all the surrendered Iraqi troops, but accepted their surrender. Only a small number of Russian troops killed the surrendered Iraqi troops because they couldn't stop.

Bu Russia wants to liberate the whole world. If the captives are slaughtered, this will inevitably arouse the hatred of the Iranians. At that time, how will they win the support of the Iranians?

Under the attack of the Russian army, the 1st Army and 2nd Army of the Iranian Army retreated steadily and suffered heavy losses. They are not opponents of the Russian tank troops at all in field battles.

Unable to do anything, the Iranian Army's 1st and 2nd Army had to retreat to Tabriz, trying to rely on the city there to resist the Russian attack. After all, in urban street fighting, the combat effectiveness of tank troops will be greatly restricted. And the superiority of troops will be brought into play. In this case, even if the Iranian army cannot withstand the attack of the Russian army, it can persist. Most importantly, more time can be bought.

The commander of the Iranian Army believes that the German Army will never turn a blind eye to this. Soon, the German Army will send reinforcements over. They just need to hold back the Russian army and buy time for the arrival of the German army.

But the Russian army obviously knows this too. Therefore, their attacks are very fast. If it weren't for the lack of mechanization or motorization of the troops, and they could only rely on their legs when marching, it is estimated that the advancing speed of the Russian army would be even faster.

Even so, the Russian army took the initiative to launch an offensive in the Middle East, which shocked the whole world.

Originally, the Russian army suffered heavy losses on the Western Front, allowing the whole world to see the strength of the German army and the weakness of the Russian army. It is thought that in this war, the Russian army has nothing to do. It can only rely on its vast depth and strength to resist the German attack step by step and consume the German army's vital strength. Wait until other countries join the war before launching a counterattack. Perhaps, it is possible to defeat Germany. Of course, the possibility of failure is also greater. After all, the performance of the German army in this war was really too strong.

But everyone did not expect that the Russian army still had the strength to launch a counterattack in the direction of the Persian Gulf in the Middle East when the main force suffered heavy losses. Moreover, the performance of the Russian army is still very good. This makes other countries can't help but face up to the power of the Russian army. It was not because the Russian army was too weak, but because the German army was too strong, that's why they suffered a disastrous defeat on the Western Front.

At the same time, the attack direction chosen by the Russian army is undoubtedly very good. If successful, this will undoubtedly cause serious damage to Germany. At least, because of the lack of oil resources, the combat effectiveness of the advanced weapons and equipment of the German army can no longer be brought into play. Therefore, the United States and the island countries are all looking forward to the victory of Russia's offensive.

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Germany, Berlin, General Staff.

Emperor Qin Tian and senior military and political officials all gathered in the war room. Because there was no battle on the Russian battlefield for the time being, the commanders of the four army

groups did not return to the front line immediately after they were promoted to marshals, but stayed in Berlin.

"Gentlemen, this time we are in big trouble! Hundreds of thousands of Russians are attacking south from the Caucasus! Our oil fields in the Persian Gulf are completely exposed to them. If the Persian Gulf is occupied by the Russians, Or if our oil fields are destroyed, we will suffer a heavy blow!" Qin Tian's expression was serious.

A group of military and political ministers also had the same expression. As Germany has stepped up oil exploration in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, the Kingdom of Kuwait and the Kingdom of Iraq, 60 percent of the oil consumed by Germany and the whole of Europe every year is obtained from the Persian Gulf. Of the remaining 40%, 35% came from Libyan oil fields, and only 5% came from Romanian oil fields. It can be said that the oil fields in the Persian Gulf have played a pivotal role in the energy security of Germany and even Europe as a whole.

"Your Majesty, is there no way for the Turkish army and the armies of those countries we have supported in the Middle East to resist the Russians?" Prime Minister Vahit asked seriously.

"The Russians launched a surprise attack, and the Turks and Iranians had no prior preparations. In addition, although the Russians' combat effectiveness is much inferior to ours, they are much stronger than the Turks and Iranians. The two Turkish armies, Wounded and resisting. The two Iranian armies, hit by Russian tank units, suffered heavy losses and are retreating towards Tabriz. Once the Russians cross the Zarogos Mountains and enter Iraq As far as the north is concerned, the Iraqi army is absolutely unable to withstand the Russian attack. At that time, our oil fields will be really dangerous!" said Marshal Manstein, chief of the general staff.

"Your Majesty, we must immediately dispatch troops to reinforce the Persian Gulf area. Otherwise, once the Russians destroy our oil fields and oil wells, the consequences will be disastrous!" said Marshal Raeder, Secretary of the Navy.

The ships and planes of the navy are all oil tigers, and the daily oil consumption is not a small amount. If there is no oil in the Persian Gulf, the German Navy will have such a powerful fleet, but it will not be able to start. At that time, what will be used to compete with the Americans for maritime supremacy. Therefore, the navy absolutely cannot allow the Persian Gulf to be lost.

"Your Majesty, if the army is tense, you can let the Marine Corps go. If the Marine Corps of ten divisions lands in the Persian Gulf, it will be enough to defeat the Russians!" Said Admiral Alexander, the commander of the Marine Corps.

In the past two decades, although the size of the Marine Corps has not increased, it still has ten divisions. However, with the development of new equipment, their combat effectiveness has also become stronger. If ten marine divisions land in the Persian Gulf, even if their forces are much inferior to the Russian Caucasus Front Army, there is no problem in defeating them.

Marshal Manstein spoke immediately: "The army still has two armies, which can be sent to fight in the Persian Gulf! Now that the Russian battlefield has stabilized, there is no need to keep the two armies anymore. They just happen to be dispatched to the Middle East battlefield. At that time , not only can defeat the Russian Caucasus Front Army, but also attack the Caucasus region and take Baku. By then, the Russians will have no oil!"

Russia's oil basically comes from the Baku oil field. As early as the era of Tsarist Russia, the Baku oil field was regarded as the largest oil field in Europe. Germany has made a lot of money by selling the oil extracted from the Baku oilfield.

In the early days of Russia, in order to develop its industry, it sold a large number of various resources to Germany, and the oil in the Baku oilfield was also an important resource. It's just that all the oil in the Baku oilfield is now for Russia's own use.

If the German army can occupy the Baku oil field, it will be tantamount to cutting off Russia's oil source. Even if the United States can provide oil to Russia, it will be very limited. After all, the capacity of the Trans-Siberian Railway is limited. In the case of transporting those war materials, there is simply not much capacity to transport oil. At that time, Bu Russia's armored combat power will suffer a devastating blow due to lack of oil. It is absolutely impossible for Bu Russia to defeat the German armored forces with a sea of tanks like in another time and space.

"If you can launch a counterattack and take the Baku oilfield, that would be the best!" Qin Tian said. Even if Germany cannot use the oil in the Baku oilfield, as long as Bu Russia cannot use it, it will be a victory for Germany.

"Your Majesty, time is urgent, so I will immediately order the 21st and 22nd Army to set off immediately and rush to the Persian Gulf by sea!" Marshal Manstein said.

Qin Tian nodded. It would take about half a month to travel from Germany to the Persian Gulf by boat. Time is urgent now, and even a minute cannot be wasted.

Marshal Manstein immediately called the 21st Army and the 22nd Army and asked them to travel by train to a port in western Germany, and then take a ship to the Persian Gulf.

At this time, the German Navy naturally has to fully cooperate with them. Otherwise, if the Persian Gulf is really lost, it will also cause serious damage to the navy.

"If the two armies are sent to the Persian Gulf, together with the assistance of the local army, it will be enough to defeat the Russian Caucasus Front. It is even possible to counterattack the Caucasus and take Baku. The most difficult part now is it depends on whether they can arrive before the Russians hit the Persian Gulf!" Deputy Chief of Staff General Rundstedt said.

Indeed, this is the most fundamental problem. If Russia had already occupied the Persian Gulf before the two German armies arrived, and the train destroyed the oil fields and wells there, it would undoubtedly be a heavy blow to Germany. Germany spent a lot of money and time before developing the oil fields there. If destroyed, this will require Germany to expend a lot of energy to develop those oil fields again. It is also very detrimental to the ongoing war in Germany.

"Your Majesty, the President of Turkey has sent a telegram, saying that the Turkish army will do its best to resist the Russians going south!" Foreign Minister Gustav Stresemann said.

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"The Turkish Army Minister and Chief of Staff, Admiral Enver, has personally led the Turkish 3rd Army to the front line. Moreover, they also issued an order requiring the two front-line armies to stick to the line

of defense and not to retreat without authorization. In this case, it should be able to resist The attack of the Russian army!" Gustav Stresemann said.

"Your Majesty, if this is the case, no matter how bad the Turkish army is, it will be able to withstand the Russian attack. The Russian army attacked the 44th, 45th, and 46th armies of Turkey. The strength of the three armies is only two Only 100,000 people. If Turkey can concentrate three armies, it will definitely be able to withstand the Russian attack! It may even defeat the Russians." Admiral Lundstedt said.

Qin Tian nodded, although the Turks were gone. But in the Middle East, it is still a powerful country. The combat effectiveness of the 600,000 troops equipped with German weapons cannot be underestimated.

"Your Excellency, Minister of Foreign Affairs, convey my thanks to Your Excellency the President of Turkey, and thank the Republic of Turkey for everything it has done for the allies. Tell them to let their army hold on. Our army is already on its way to the Persian Gulf." Qin God said.

At this time, the Turks are willing to do their best to resist the Russians, which is undoubtedly good news.

"Your Majesty, the real trouble is the 47th Army and the 51st Army under the Russian Caucasus Front. These two armies are stronger. At the same time, there are two tank divisions. Even if the Iranian Army tries its best I can't resist it either," Marshal Manstein said.

Qin Tian's face was serious, he thought for a while, and then said: "Isn't the Iranian Army still has three group armies? Tell them to immediately gather their troops and rush to reinforce them! Even if they can't resist the Russian attack, they must be held back as much as possible. It is possible to delay them. Buy enough time for us! In addition, let the Iraqis build a line of defense in the Zarogos Mountains, relying on the mountainous terrain to resist the Russians. The Russians' powerful tank forces cannot be defeated in the mountains. How much combat power can be exerted. In this case, it will not be a big problem to persist for half a month. Tell the king of Iraq and Iran, as well as those high-ranking military and political officials, if they can't hold the Russians this time, then Their days are over!"

Qin Tian is obviously determined this time. The kings and ruling classes of the Kingdom of Iran and the Kingdom of Iraq were almost all supported by Germany. On the one hand, Germany is to control the oil resources here. On the other hand, it is also to use them to defend Germany's interests at critical moments. However, if they are useless at all, then Germany naturally has no need to keep them.

"Yes, Your Majesty!" Marshal Manstein nodded. He felt the killing intent in Qin Tian's words. He naturally supported Qin Tian's decision. If you don't put pressure on those guys, they won't try their best. In that case, it would be impossible to hold back the Russian army.

"Your Majesty, if the Kingdom of Iran and the Kingdom of Iraq do their best, it will not be a big problem to hold back the Russians. After all, it only takes half a month for our reinforcements to reach the Persian Gulf. By then, the Russians will They are not our opponents at all!" Prime Minister Vahit said optimistically.

Although the 21st Army and the 22nd Army of the German Army are also newly formed troops, the combat effectiveness of the German Army is not comparable to that of the Russian Army. Both armies

are well-armed units. Although not as powerful as the 12 front-line armies, the gap is not that big. Defeating the Caucasus Front of the Russian Army will be a matter of hand.

"Your Majesty, the goal of Bu Russia this time is completely aimed at our oil fields. If their Caucasus Front Army fails to succeed this time, it is difficult to guarantee that they will not take other actions next time. We must strengthen our control over the oil fields. Protection is the job," said Air Marshal Albert Kesselring.

"You mean, the Russians may use bombers to bomb our oil fields in the Persian Gulf?" Qin Tian frowned suddenly.

Compared to an attack by the army, the bombing by the air force is more sudden and concealed, and it is more difficult to defend against.

"Yes, Your Majesty. Bu'er dispatched troops to attack the Persian Gulf this time. I am afraid that the greater purpose is to capture it, not destroy it. If they find that they cannot occupy the Persian Gulf, they will definitely find a way to destroy it. Oil fields. It is undoubtedly the best way to dispatch bombers to bomb!" Marshal Albert Kesselring said.

"However, the Russian SB bombers have insufficient range, and I am afraid they cannot threaten our oil fields." Qin Tian said.

In terms of aviation industry, Russia is undoubtedly lagging behind the world's first-class level. Their SB2 bomber has a maximum range of only 980 kilometers. If it takes off from Russia, it can reach the German oil fields in Iraq and Kuwait, but it may not be possible to bomb the German oil fields in Saudi Arabia. In addition, after these bombers launched an attack, they could not return. Because, there is not enough fuel.

"The Russian SB2 bombers really can't reach our oil fields. However, the American B-17 bombers can. If the United States joins the war, or the Americans just shamelessly let their bomber units paint the logo of the Russian Air Force. If we launch an attack, our oil fields will be exposed within the strike radius of their bombers!" Marshal Albert Kesselring continued.

Qin Tian's complexion suddenly became ugly. He knew that this was definitely possible. The Americans will do anything to defeat Germany.

"No, the air defense in the Middle East must be strengthened immediately. The Imperial Air Force dispatched an aviation group to station in the Persian Gulf. Deploy more air defense radars to ensure the safety there! If necessary, more air forces can be stationed!" Qin Tian said .

"Yes, Your Majesty, in the short term, one aviation group is enough. If we can take the Caucasus and then push further into Bu Russia, even the American B-17 bombers will not be able to reach our oil fields." Marshal Albert Kesselring said.

Qin Tian nodded, he thought for a while, then looked at Admiral Lundstedt and said.

"I plan to organize the 21st Army, the 22nd Army, and the Turkish army in the theater into the Imperial Army E Army Group. General Lundstedt, are you willing to be the commander of this Army Group?"

Admiral Lundstedt was taken aback for a moment, and then his face was full of joy: "Your Majesty, I am willing to serve you!"