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## Chapter 1361

Lieutenant General Akito Nakamura, commander of the 18th Front Army Command of the Island Army, got up early. In other words, he didn't fall asleep at all last night. So much so that after waking up, there are heavy dark circles on both eyes.

Major General Moriya Seiji, Chief of Staff of the Front Army, is already waiting for him in his office. So Akito Nakamura hurried to the office after washing up hastily.

"Mr. Moriya, what happened?" Lieutenant General Akito Nakamura asked.

"Your Excellency, Commander, the attack of the 15th Army has failed. The 4th, 72nd and 73rd Divisions have all suffered heavy losses. Although the 81st and 84th Divisions are still strong, the German defenses are very weak. It is solid and has very strong firepower. Even if we continue to attack, it may be difficult to win." Major General Shouwu Jinger reported.

Lieutenant General Akito Nakamura's complexion suddenly became very ugly. In fact, he had already been mentally prepared for this. The attack of the 14th Front Army was also not smooth and suffered heavy losses. Therefore, Lieutenant General Akito Nakamura could also guess that it would be very difficult for them to break through the German defense line. However, the three divisions in a row suffered heavy losses, and this price still made Lieutenant General Akito Nakamura very painful. You must know that in the entire 18th Front Army, except for the 15th Army, there are only the 15th Division directly under the Front Army, the 22nd Division and the independent 29th Brigade. The strength of the 15th Army has even accounted for two-thirds of the 18th Front Army.

Now the three divisions of the 15th Army have been disabled, which is undoubtedly a heavy blow to the 18th Front Army.

"Is the German defense line really that strong? Is it completely delusional for us to drag their defense?" Lieutenant General Akito Nakamura asked with a serious face.

"Your Excellency, the German defense line is probably very solid. Especially their firepower is very powerful. The powerful artillery fire and machine gun fire completely blocked the offensive route of our troops. We want to break through the Germans. We are afraid that we will have to pay a very high price. The loss is even greater than our previous expectation!" Major General Moriya Jinger said.

Lieutenant General Akito Nakamura nodded. Although before the battle started, they had expected heavy losses. However, the current loss still makes them a little unacceptable.

"Your Excellency, Commander, General Iida requests the fire support of the navy, hoping to use the naval guns to tear through the German defense line." Rear Admiral Seiji Moriya continued.

"Navy fire support?" Lieutenant General Akito Nakamura couldn't help but frowned.

The 18th Front advanced along the coastal road, which allowed them to receive naval fire support. However, this is undoubtedly something that the generals of the army are very reluctant to do.

"Yes, Your Excellency, Commander! If the navy can use naval guns to bombard the German defense line, it should be able to tear the German defense line apart. In that case, our infantry can easily break through the German defense line!" Major General Moriya Jinger said.

"Okay, send a telegram to the navy, we need their fire support! For so many years, the army has been supporting the development of the navy. Now, it's time for the navy to repay us!" Lieutenant General Akito Nakamura said.

"Hi, Your Excellency, Commander. I'm sending a telegram like Manila!" Major General Moriya Seiji said.

In fact, at the request of the army of the island country, the navy of the island country has dispatched a fleet to Subic Bay in the Philippine Islands. It used to be the base of the US Navy's Far East Fleet. However, after the United States handed over the Philippine Islands to the navy of the island country, the US Navy withdrew from here and handed over the base to the navy of the island country.

In Subic Bay, there is the main force of the combined fleet of the island nation's navy. General Yamamoto Fifty-Six is still in the country at this moment, staring at those shipyards, and hastening the time to build capital ships and aircraft carriers for the island navy. Lieutenant General Nagumo Chuichi sits in Subic Bay.

"General, Your Excellency the Commander of the Southern Army has arrived." Chief of Staff Major General Kusanagi Ryunosuke reported.

"Nishio Hisao?" Lieutenant General Chuichi Nagumo couldn't help frowning. In his opinion, Admiral Hisao Nishio's visit at this time is obviously not good for the navy of the island country.

"It should be for us to support the army. I heard that the army fought very badly in Borneo and suffered a lot of losses. And it has been unable to break through the German defense line." Major General Kusakaka Ryunosuke said.

Lieutenant General Nagumo Chuichi nodded, he also thought it was for this purpose. Although, Lieutenant General Nagumo Chuichi was very reluctant to let the navy provide fire support for the army. Because that means great danger. However, there are some things that he cannot decide. The navy of the island nation takes up a lot of resources, which makes them have to compromise with the army in some respects. Otherwise, the army will never be willing to let the navy take up a lot of resources. At that time, I am afraid that more intense conflicts and contradictions will erupt. This is very detrimental to the development and growth of the island country's army and the ongoing war.

"Take him to the reception room!" Lieutenant General Chuichi Nagumo said.

"Hi, Your Excellency, Commander." Major General Kusakaka Ryunosuke nodded. However, he didn't move.

"Your Excellency, Commander, are we really going to support the army? The strength of the German navy is very strong. If we rashly get involved in the war, I am afraid it will cause us heavy losses. The guys from the army have already deployed in Borneo. The German army has less than 200,000 people. They have such a large force advantage, and they are no match for the Germans. It is really shameful." Major General Kusakaka Ryunosuke continued.

"Okay, I have my own measure!" Lieutenant General Nagumo Chuichi waved his hand.

Major General Kusakaka Ryunosuke left Lieutenant General Chuichi Nagumo's office unwillingly.

"Oh!" Lieutenant General Nagumo Tadaichi couldn't help but sigh after Major General Kusakaka Ryunosuke left.

If possible, Lieutenant General Chuichi Nagumo would naturally not want to agree to the army's request to provide fire support for the army. However, many things are not in his hands. In order to maintain the cooperative relationship between the army and navy of the island country, he could not refuse the army's request. After all, over the past two decades, the army has made great sacrifices for the development of the navy. Although this is for the sake of the fate of the island country, in many respects, the army of the island country has indeed made great sacrifices. Due to emotion and reason, when the army of the island country encounters difficulties, the navy cannot just sit idly by. Otherwise, there will be very big trouble.

Knowing that it was inevitable, Lieutenant General Chuichi Nagumo got up and went to the reception room.

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"Your Excellency, Commander, good morning! Just give me a call if you have anything to do. I'm sorry to trouble you to come here from Manila!" Lieutenant General Nagumo Tadaichi said with a smile on his face when he met General Nishio Hisao. Lots of smiles.

Although, the two belong to different military branches. But Hisao Nishio is one level higher in military rank after all.

"Nagumo-kun, Manila is not far from Subic Bay. Although I am a general of the army, I am very relieved to see that the Imperial Navy is still very strong!" Admiral Nishio Hisao said.

"Your Excellency, the Imperial Navy cannot do without the support of the Army!" Lieutenant Admiral Nagumo Chuichi replied.

Admiral Hisao Nishio nodded: "Although the army and the navy had great differences before. However, we are still the military power of the empire, and we should fight for the strength of the empire. Especially when facing a strong enemy, we are more The United Kingdom joins hands. Only in this way can we win the victory for the empire. And the war that is going on right now is even more related to the future of the empire. Therefore, we must win!"

Lieutenant General Chuichi Nagumo knew what General Hisao Nishio meant and did not refute.

"Mr. Nagumo, you must know that the army's offensive in Borneo was not smooth. The German army's firepower is very strong, and the gap between us and the German army is very obvious. Now all the troops have suffered heavy losses. If we can't defeat them in one fell swoop For the German 23rd Army, it is simply impossible for us to occupy Borneo. Let alone attack the Indochina Peninsula and Australia. The resources in these places will be very important to the future of the empire. Therefore, we We must do our best to defeat the Germans. This time, we need the support of the navy." General Hisao Nishio put forward his request after making some preparations.

"Your Excellency, the Navy is very willing to support the Army." Lieutenant General Chuichi Nagumo also expressed his opinion.

Now the fate of the island country is at stake. No matter how much hatred the army and navy had before, it is now time to let go of prejudice and join hands to win this war. Therefore, it is reasonable for the navy of the island country to provide support to the army.

"Nagumo-kun, that would be great. Now the Imperial Army's 18th Front has suffered heavy losses in its attack. If the navy can help the army tear through the German defense line, the army will be grateful. In the future, we will occupy the Nanyang and Australia, after obtaining the resources here, the navy will definitely be able to develop even stronger!" Said Admiral Nishio Hiszo.

"Your Excellency, Commander, the navy will set off immediately to provide support to the army!" Lieutenant Admiral Nagumo Chuichi said.

The navies of the island countries naturally hope that the army can occupy Southeast Asia and Australia. They are also salivating over the resources of Southeast Asia and Australia. If the resources here can be obtained, the development of the navy of the island country can also be accelerated. Many warships in the plan can start construction. By then, the island nation's navy will become even stronger.

Admiral Hisao Nishio got the result he was satisfied with. He didn't stay in Subic Bay for long. He left here soon and returned to Manila. He believed that since Lieutenant General Nagumo Chuichi had agreed to provide support to the army. Then, it will definitely do what it says. Don't worry that Nanyun Zhongyi Middle School will be perfunctory. After all, this is a matter of cooperation between the army and navy of Guam Island.

Lieutenant Admiral Nagumo Tadaichi sent away Admiral Nishio Hiszo, and immediately asked Major Admiral Kusakaka Ryunosuke to issue an order for the fleet to prepare to go to sea.

In Subic Bay, the island navy has a large fleet, which is equivalent to the current main force of the United Fleet. All four aircraft carriers of the First Aircraft Carrier Squadron are here. Although in the last naval battle, they lost almost all carrier-based aircraft and pilots. But now it's all added. However, there is a certain gap between the quality of these new pilots and the previous veterans. This also made Lieutenant General Nagumo Chuichi feel a little worried. In the case that the performance of the carrier-based aircraft is much lower than that of the German Navy's carrier-based aircraft, the quality of the pilots has further declined, which may further widen the gap in strength between them and the German Navy's carrier-based aircraft.

In addition to the four aircraft carriers, there are also four capital ships. Including two "Kii-class" battleships, namely the "Suruga" battleship and the "Omi" battleship that survived the last naval battle. In addition, there is the second ship "Mutsu" among the "Nagato-class" battleships, and the first ship "Ise" of the "Ise-class" battleships. Except for the battleship "Yamashiro" staying in the country, the battleship "Kaga" and the battlecruiser "Takao" that are already being repaired at the shipyard, and the battleship "Yamato" that has not yet been completed, all the battleships of the island navy It's all here. This is also the largest main fleet that the combined fleet of the island nation's navy can currently dispatch.

In terms of cruisers, there are four "Miao Advanced" heavy cruisers and four "Maya-class" heavy cruisers, which are almost the last heavy cruisers of the island navy. In the shipyard of the navy of the

island country, the "Suzuya-class" heavy cruiser is being intensively built, but it will take some time before it enters service. In addition, the navy of the island country also plans to urgently increase the construction of a number of cruisers. This batch of cruisers was refitted from the 'Maya-class' heavy cruisers, so it was tentatively named the 'Changed Maya-class' heavy cruisers. In addition, there are a large number of redesigned heavy cruisers, which will also start construction one after another. In the case of the heavy losses of the island nation's navy, in order to allow the island nation's navy to continue fighting, the United States also provided them with a large amount of resources at any cost. In March alone, the United States provided the island navy with a full 200,000 tons of naval steel, which allowed the island navy to build the warships it wanted.

As for light cruisers, there are five "Kuma-class" light cruisers, six "Nara-class" light cruisers, four "Anoga-class" light cruisers and two "Oyodo-class" light cruisers. This is almost the last light cruiser of the island navy. Although there are also many light cruisers under construction in the shipyard of the navy of the island country, it will take a lot of time to enter service.

In terms of destroyers, there are a total of twenty second-generation "Fubuki-class" destroyers, four "Changed Fubuki-class" destroyers, four "Chuchun-class" destroyers, and two "Changed Chuchun-class" destroyers. On destroyers, the Japanese navy still has a lot to spare.

On the afternoon of April 14, the island nation naval task force left Subic Bay and sailed into the South China Sea.

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During the daytime on April 14th, the attack of the 15th Army of the Japanese Army weakened a lot. During the whole day, only two attacks with thousands of people were launched. And they are all second-line troops drawn from the 4th Division, 72nd Division and 73rd Division. As for the 81st Division and the 84th Division, they have been standing still.

Obviously, this is because of the battle yesterday afternoon and night, the losses were too great, and the entire 15th Army has been injured.

The division commander of the German 226th Infantry Division, Major General Friedley, was also a little puzzled about this.

"Although the islanders suffered a lot yesterday, they still have an advantage in strength! The entire 18th Front Army has more than 100,000 people. We only dealt with more than 30,000 people yesterday. The distance between the entire 18th Front Army The 18th Front Army is wiped out, and there is still a very long way to go. It would be great if the islanders could continue to attack regardless of the cost!" Major General Friedley looked regretful.

Yesterday's battle was really enjoyable. Of course, this is for the German army. They just need to pull the trigger and shoot those islanders with powerful firepower. But for the Japanese army, it was undoubtedly an out-and-out disaster. When the Japanese army was attacking, although it was brave, it was not afraid of death. But that kind of death is still unacceptable to the officers and soldiers. If the island country army continues to attack like that, I am afraid that it will not be long before the entire 18th Front Army will be completely lost.

Of course, the islanders are not fools, expecting them to always adopt the tactics of death, unless the generals of the island army of the 18th Front Army had their heads caught by the door. Otherwise, don't expect such a good thing to happen.

"General, it is impossible for such a good thing to happen all the time. We have already taken advantage of being able to kill tens of thousands of island army with powerful firepower. What's more, our defense line is still very strong. If the island army continues to attack, we can still deal with them. Even if the island army reduces the scale of the attack, it will only take a little more time. Besides, the longer the time is delayed, the better for us!" Staff officer Commodore General Georg said.

Major General Friedley nodded: "That's true! However, I still like the brave way of charging of the islanders. If all the islanders use this tactic when fighting, maybe this battle It will be acceptable soon. Maybe we can defeat all the islanders without the support of the mainland. Then with the support of the navy, we can directly attack the mainland of the island country!"

Brigadier General Georg couldn't help being a little speechless. Although Major General Friedley thought well, it was obviously impossible.

"General, the islanders have reduced the scale of their attack. Is there any conspiracy? After all, they lost so many people yesterday. If there is no change, it will be unreasonable." Brigadier General Georg said .

"Conspiracy? That's for sure! The islanders' army can't break through our defense line. Then, they will definitely use other methods. I think our defense line is located by the sea, which may give the islanders a chance. Maybe , the navy of the island country is already on its way." Rear Admiral Friedley said.

Brigadier General Georg nodded again and again, and he thought so too. While their defenses are solid, that's for the Army. Especially for the island army that lacks artillery, especially large-caliber heavy artillery, it is very difficult to break through the German defense line. However, if you face the large-caliber naval guns of the Japanese navy, then everything is another matter. Even the main guns equipped by cruisers cannot be resisted by these lines of defense. Not to mention the main guns of the battleship with a larger caliber. At that time, once the navy of the island country starts to bombard the German defense lines, these seemingly solid defense lines will definitely have only one end in the end, and that is to be completely destroyed.

"What about our navy? We can handle the islanders on land. However, we have to rely on them to deal with the islanders at sea." Rear Admiral Friedley said.

"General, the fleet of the Imperial Navy actually made a circle in the offshore last night. They didn't evacuate until early in the morning. They will arrive again this evening. Therefore, we should not have to worry about coming from the sea. threat!" Brigadier General Georg said.

"In this case, it would be great. The Imperial Navy could cause heavy losses to the islanders in the last naval battle. Then this time, I believe they will be able to do it too. As long as the navy can withstand the attack of the islanders Attack. Then, the islanders are nothing to worry about! We can let them shed blood in this battle." Major General Friedley smiled ferociously.

"General, I believe we will see this day soon!" Brigadier General Georg was also full of confidence in this battle.

The generals of the 226th Infantry Division did not know that the island army on the opposite side had changed its commander. Lieutenant General Akito Nakamura, commander of the 18th Front Army of the Japanese Army, led the rest of the 18th Front Army to the battlefield and took over command of the troops from Lieutenant General Shojiro Iida.

Although Lieutenant General Akito Nakamura was a little dissatisfied with Lieutenant General Shojiro Iida's heavy losses. But he knew it was impossible. In the face of the solid defense line and powerful firepower of the German army, if any general of the army of the island country came, as long as he launched an attack, the result would be like this.

"Gentlemen, don't be discouraged by yesterday's failure. The German defense line is very strong and strong. However, we will be able to tear through their defense line. The Imperial Navy has dispatched a powerful fleet to come. Today an attack on the German defense line can be launched at night. As long as the navy can use naval guns to tear through the German defense line, we can easily break through the German defense line tomorrow." Lieutenant General Akito Nakamura looked confident.

The generals of the island country army breathed a sigh of relief after hearing such words. With the fire support of the navy, it should not be a big problem to tear through the German defense line. In this case, they can undoubtedly tear through the German defense line at a very small cost and defeat them. The previous suicide attack method really made every general of the island army feel terrified.

"My lords, the victory in this war must belong to the empire! The empire must win!" Lieutenant General Akito Nakamura said.

"The empire will win!" The generals of the army of each island country also regained their confidence.

## Chapter 1364

In the South China Sea, a huge fleet is cruising along the coastline of northern Borneo. This huge fleet has dozens of warships, large and small. The most core warships are five huge battleships. These are two "Derfflinger-class" battlecruisers drawn from the German Navy's Pacific Fleet and three "Blücher-class" battlecruisers drawn from the Indian Ocean Fleet.

On the periphery are cruisers and destroyers. There are a lot of heavy cruisers and light cruisers, and almost half of the cruisers in the battleship formations of the Pacific Fleet and Indian Ocean Fleet have been transferred. The number of heavy cruisers in the fleet has reached 12, and the number of light cruisers has reached 20. In terms of destroyers, there are more than 30 ships.

The reason why the fleet is equipped with so many small and medium-sized warships is, on the one hand, for air defense considerations, and on the other hand, for mine protection considerations. In the last naval battle, although the losses of the navy of the island country were greater than that of the German navy. However, the four aircraft carriers of the 1st Aircraft Carrier Squadron of the Japanese Navy were not damaged. After supplementing the carrier-based aircraft and pilots, it still poses a very big threat to the German Navy. At the same time, the lightning strikes launched by the destroyers of the Japanese navy also left people with lingering fears. In particular, according to the information obtained by Germany, the Type 93 torpedoes equipped on a large scale by the island nation's navy, that is, the spear torpedoes, are so powerful that the German navy had to make preparations in this regard. After all, a torpedo with a caliber of 610 mm, without even thinking about it, possesses amazing power.

Hundreds of kilometers behind this huge fleet is a battle group composed of two aircraft carriers of the German Navy's Pacific Fleet. Their task is naturally to prevent the fleet from being attacked by the carrier-based aircraft of the island navy, and if there is an opportunity, to launch an attack on the island navy. The German Navy believes that when the army of the island country cannot gain an advantage on the land battlefield, the navy of the island country will definitely be dispatched. In order to avoid major casualties and at the same time assist the army to win this battle, the German navy must contribute its own strength.

Responsible for commanding this operation is the battleship formation commander of the German Navy's Indian Ocean Fleet, Otto Schneewent, and the Pacific Fleet's aircraft carrier formation commander, Lieutenant General William Canaris.

Among them, Lieutenant General Otto Schneewent was in charge of commanding the capital ship formation operations. Lieutenant General William Canaris is responsible for commanding the aircraft carrier formation operations. The two cooperated with each other to ensure that the German Navy could once again win the naval battle.

The results of the last naval battle were generally dissatisfied with the German Navy. Although they sank more capital ships and aircraft carriers of the island navy than they lost. However, if the loss of shore-based aviation is added, the loss of the German Navy is actually not much smaller than that of the island navy. This also made the officers and soldiers of the German Navy suffocate in their hearts, wanting to defeat the island navy in one fell swoop in the next confrontation and completely win the naval battle.

Of course, the island navy may also have the same mentality. The disastrous defeat of the island navy in the last naval battle put the island navy under great pressure. If they cannot defeat the German navy and reverse the situation, it will be very difficult for the island nation to win this naval battle. It is precisely because of this that the navy of the island country is doing its best to win the war.

On the battlecruiser 'Blücher', Lieutenant General Otto Schneewendt was talking with his chief of staff, Major General Abraham.

The chief of staff of the battleship formation of the Indian Ocean Fleet, Major General Abraham, and the commander of the 23rd Heavy Artillery Brigade under the 23rd Army, Major General Abraham, have the same surname, and they are brothers. It's just that one is in the navy and the other is in the army. But both of them are now fighting in Nanyang, and they can be regarded as brothers working together to fight for the empire.

"The navy of the island country didn't show up last night. So, will they show up tonight?" Lieutenant General Otto Schneewendt asked.

The German navy is undoubtedly already ready for a decisive battle with the island navy. But last night, it was empty, which disappointed the German fleet.

"General, this is not clear. However, as long as the war continues. As long as the islanders want to break through the army's defense line, then their navy will definitely appear. Without the support of the island navy, the island army wants to It is almost impossible to tear apart the defense line of our army. They will even pay a higher price. Therefore, relying on the fire support of the navy has become the only option for the army of the island country. According to the information we have obtained , In the battle

yesterday and today, the 18th Army of the Island Army has lost more than 30,000 people. With so many people dead, the Island Navy must not be able to sit still." Major General Abraham said.

Lieutenant General Otto Schneewendt nodded: "The island nation's military superiority is too obvious. However, they are all fresh lives! Therefore, it is naturally impossible for them to squander their military power recklessly like this. Let the officers and soldiers get ready, maybe we will fight the islanders soon. Maybe tonight, maybe tomorrow night, in short, this naval battle is inevitable."

"Yes, General. This naval battle is inevitable." Major General Abraham said.

Moreover, both of them guessed that in order to avoid the attack of the Luftwaffe, the possibility of the island nation's fleet launching an attack at night is very high. Therefore, the German fleet also needs to rush to the waters near Beaufort at night to provide protection for the army. Evacuate until after dawn.

The speed of the German fleet is not fast, but it can ensure that they will enter the sea not far from Beaufort after nightfall. A warship equipped with radar can search the nearby sea area to ensure that once the island fleet appears, it will not be able to escape.

While the German fleet was rushing to the waters near Beaufort, the island nation's fleet was also heading south rapidly. It still adopts the tactic of the main fleet at the front and the aircraft carrier at the rear. After all, aircraft carriers cannot take off carrier-based aircraft to fight at night. Once the enemy's capital ship gets close, it will be dead. Therefore, the island nation's fleet is also cautious, protecting these precious aircraft carriers as much as possible.

The aircraft carrier 'Ibuki' serves as the flagship of the island nation's naval task force. However, in the battle at night, the role played by the aircraft carrier is very limited. Therefore, the main order was given by Lieutenant Admiral Takasu Shiro, the commander of the battleship battle group. The Japanese navy is also looking forward to the miracle that Lieutenant Admiral Takasu Shiro will perform again this time.

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On the aircraft carrier 'Ibuki', Lieutenant Admiral Nagumo Chuichi was standing on the deck, looking at the South China Sea at night. Since the fleet set off from Subic Bay, it has been sailing at high speed.

In order to ensure their own safety, before sunset, the island fleet is outside the strike radius of the Luftwaffe bombers. Therefore, after sunset, they need to speed up their speed so that they can reach the northern waters of Borneo in the middle of the night and launch an attack on the intended target. Then evacuate before dawn. At that time, the Zero fighter jets taking off from the four aircraft carriers will provide air defense protection for the fleet. Otherwise, what awaits the island nation is the fate of being attacked by bombers of the Luftwaffe.

"Your Excellency, Commander, it's windy here, please go back to the cabin!" Rear Admiral Kusakaka Ryunosuke, Chief of Staff of the Fleet, came over.

Lieutenant Admiral Nagumo Tadaichi shook his head: "Is there any information about the German fleet? Perhaps the German fleet has already arrived in the South China Sea. Now that the battle in Borneo is going on so intensely, it is impossible for the German fleet to take no action." of."

"Your Excellency, Commander, we haven't received any information about the German fleet yet. Maybe they didn't go to the South China Sea. After all, although we suffered heavy losses in the last naval battle, the Germans didn't feel well either." Cao Lulong Major General Zhisuke said.

"This is impossible! The German fleet must have appeared in the South China Sea. It's just that we haven't found them yet. Tell General Takasu Shiro that you must pay attention to the German fleet. I have a hunch that the German fleet It will definitely appear tonight. Therefore, the fire support to the army may not be smooth." Lieutenant General Nagumo Chuichi said.

Rear Admiral Kusakaka Ryunosuke nodded, and immediately arranged for someone to notify Lieutenant General Takasu Shiro, who commanded the battleship team, to go.

Because the radio must be kept silent, it is not possible to send a telegram directly, and can only send a seaplane to notify.

"Your Excellency, our overall strength is now weaker than that of the Germans in the Pacific Ocean. However, we will become stronger soon. The battleship 'Kaga' and the battlecruiser 'Kaohsiung' will soon be repaired. And the "Yamato-class" battleship we have high hopes for will soon be in service. At that time, we will have a stronger fleet of capital ships. These capital ships of the Germans in the Pacific Ocean are not ours. The opponent, our 'Yamato-class' battleship, can easily tear them to pieces!" said Major General Kusakaka Ryunosuke.

Even though he is the general of the aircraft carrier team, he still admires the 'Yamato-class' battleships. Although the combination of aircraft carrier and carrier-based aircraft has been paid more and more attention. But in the minds of the generals of the navies of many island countries, battleships are the real overlords. Especially the 'Yamato-class' battleships, the strongest battleships that can outnumber ten, are the real secret weapons of the island nation's navy.

Lieutenant Admiral Nagumo Chuichi didn't say anything. Although he also knew the excellence of the "Yamato-class" battleships, he was the standard aircraft carrier faction among the Japanese navies. However, Lieutenant Admiral Nagumo Chuichi agrees that the strength of the island nation's navy will become stronger and stronger in the future. Right now they only have four aircraft carriers from the 1st Carrier Squadron available, but there will be more aircraft carriers in service soon.

The construction of two "Xiangfeng-class" aircraft carriers, one "Yongfeng-class" aircraft carrier and two "Qiantui-class" aircraft carriers is almost over. Although these are light aircraft carriers, they can only carry thirty carrier-based aircraft. However, if the five ships are added together, they can also carry 150 carrier-based aircraft, which is already a very powerful force at sea.

In addition, the navy of the island country is also refitting aircraft carriers with merchant ships and cruise ships. The refitted aircraft carriers that are almost completed include two 'Flying Eagle-class' aircraft carriers with a displacement of more than 26,000 tons and the capacity to carry 53 carrier-based aircraft. A "Daying-class" aircraft carrier with a displacement of more than 20,000 tons and capable of carrying 27 carrier-based aircraft, a "Shenyang" aircraft carrier with a displacement of 17,500 tons and capable of carrying 33 carrier-based aircraft, and a "Sea Eagle" aircraft carrier with a displacement of 17,500 tons, the "Sea Eagle" aircraft carrier can carry 24 carrier-based aircraft. Once these modified aircraft carriers can be put into service, the strength of the aircraft carrier fleet of the navy of the island country will undoubtedly be able to reach a new level.

As for the main aircraft carrier, two "Xianghe-class" aircraft carriers with a displacement of more than 32,000 tons and capable of carrying 84 carrier-based aircraft, and one "Xianghe-class" aircraft carrier with a displacement of more than 34,000 tons and capable of carrying 70 carrier-based aircraft. The 'Taiho' aircraft carrier is also about to enter service. In addition, a large number of aircraft carriers are under construction or have just started construction in the shipyards of the island navy. Including the five 'Yunlong-class' aircraft carriers whose construction progress has exceeded half.

The 'Yunlong-class' aircraft carrier has a full-load displacement of 23,000 tons and is equipped with 70 carrier-based aircraft. There are already five ships under construction, and the construction progress is more than half. In the follow-up plan, there are 11 "Yunlong-class" aircraft carriers that have already started construction or are waiting to start construction.

The 'Yunlong-class' aircraft carrier is just a medium-sized aircraft carrier. The ambition of the navy of the island country also has a large aircraft carrier. Construction of the modified Taiho-class aircraft carrier based on the aircraft carrier Taiho has also started. The displacement of the Kai Taiho-class aircraft carrier will further increase, which will further increase the armor thickness of the Kai Taiho-class aircraft carrier, and at the same time carry more carrier-based aircraft. As for the "Changed Taiho-class" aircraft carrier, the island navy also plans to build five ships. After receiving the steel supported by the United States, the construction of the "Kai Taifeng-class" aircraft carrier has also started.

It can be said that there are undoubtedly a lot of aircraft carriers under construction by the navy of the island country, or plan to start construction. As long as resources can be fully guaranteed, they will be able to build a large number of aircraft carriers, which will further enhance the strength of the island nation's navy.

Of course, the navy of the island country has great ambitions not only in terms of aircraft carriers, but also in terms of capital ships. With the 'Yamato-class' battleship nearing completion, the design of the 'Kai Yamato-class' battleship has been completed. The "Changed Yamato-class" battleship has a larger displacement and thicker armor. The main guns on board will also be changed from the three triple-mounted 45-caliber 460mm main guns of the "Yamato-class" battleships to three triple-mounted 50-caliber main guns. 460 mm main gun. In addition, after the "Kai Yamato-class" battleship, there is also a "Super Yamato-class" battleship with a larger displacement, thicker armor, and three triple-mounted 510mm main guns!

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I have to admit that the development plan of the island nation's navy is undoubtedly ambitious. A huge aircraft carrier construction plan, coupled with a perverted capital ship construction plan. Once these plans are all realized, the navy of the island nation will definitely be one of the most powerful navies in the world. Especially after the navy of the island country begins to build medium-sized aircraft carriers and heavy-duty armored aircraft carriers in batches, their strength will be greatly improved.

'Yunlong-class' aircraft carrier is a medium-sized aircraft carrier that despises defense and increases the number of carrier-based aircraft as much as possible. The "Taifeng" aircraft carrier and the "Changed Taifeng-class" aircraft carrier are armored aircraft carriers. Thicken the armor of the aircraft carrier to improve the survivability of the aircraft carrier, which will make the aircraft carrier of the island navy have a greater chance of surviving in future naval battles.

If the resources are sufficient, the navy of the island country will become stronger and stronger under the accumulation of these resources. If the German navy does not send more forces to the Pacific Ocean, it will undoubtedly be very difficult to defeat the island navy.

This time-space is completely different from another time-space. The strength of Germany brought the United States and the island countries together. Although they know that the islanders are starved wolves who can't get enough to eat, in order to be able to defeat Germany, the Americans are still sparing no effort to support the development of the island nation. This will undoubtedly allow the island country to have more resources and thus develop stronger.

At the same time, if the island countries can win in the plan to attack Nanyang and Australia, they can also obtain more resources from Nanyang and Australia. Even if the German army cannot be completely defeated in Southeast Asia and Australia, plundering resources from occupied areas has always been the strong point of the islanders. You don't need to think about it, these resources will become warships of the island navy.

If the German navy wants to defeat the island navy, it has to make itself stronger. Although Germany has no plans to develop capital ships, the construction of aircraft carriers has continued. From the 'Constellation-class' aircraft carrier, to the soon-to-be-completed 'Lord God-class' aircraft carrier, to the next-level 'Nordic God-class' aircraft carrier. It seems that it is not too difficult to defeat other powerful enemies with the performance of the German Navy's aircraft carrier and the performance of the carrier-based aircraft. Once Germany defeats Bu Russia and more and more aircraft carriers are in service at the same time, it will not be a problem to send more aircraft carriers to the Pacific Ocean. At that time, a large number of advanced aircraft carriers will arrive in the Pacific Ocean, and the navies of the island countries will simply not be able to cope. After all, Germany's shipbuilding strength is far above that of island countries. At the same time, Germany is not short of resources now. After Germany builds the "Nordic God-class" aircraft carrier, the aircraft carrier development plan of the island navy may not be completed yet. It is conceivable what the final result will be.

The "Yamato-class" battleships with huge displacement, strong anti-aircraft firepower, thick armor, and extremely perverted main guns, as well as the subsequent more powerful "Kai Yamato-class" battleships and "Super Yamato-class" battleships, are also very difficult to sink. . At that time, the German naval aviation may have to pay huge losses before they can sink these perverted capital ships.

In this time and space, the island nation will obtain more resources than in another time and space. Therefore, the navy of the island country has no aircraft carrier that can be built in another time and space, and it will build it in this time and space. This will make the island nation's navy stronger, and it will be more difficult to defeat it. The price paid will also be greater.

Of course, the strength of the German navy will also become stronger. This will enable the German Navy to defeat more powerful enemies and win the final victory.

It is undoubtedly still relatively early to say this now. What is before the German Navy is still to ensure their superiority in the Pacific Ocean and provide more support for the army, so that the army can continue to persist in the Southeast Asia and Australia battlefields. After the victory in the European battlefield, a large number of reinforcements will be sent to Southeast Asia and Australia to defeat the island army in one fell swoop.

The island navy task force is heading south quickly, the four powerful battleships 'Suruga', 'Omi', 'Mutsu' and 'Ise' battleships, in a group of cruisers and destroyers. Under the protection, he went southward in a mighty way.

"Your Excellency, Commander, Your Excellency Commander Nagumo sent us a message from a seaplane!" On the battleship "Suruga", Major General Suzuki Yoshio, Chief of Staff of the capital ship team, reported to Lieutenant General Takasu Shiro.

In the last naval battle, Lieutenant General Takasu Shiro led four "Amagi-class" battlecruisers, successfully attacked the German Navy's aircraft carrier formation, sank two German Navy aircraft carriers, and severely damaged the other two. Although in the process of escaping, three of the four "Amagi-class" ships were sunk, and the other ship was also severely damaged. But compared to the encounters of other fleets, it is undoubtedly much better. This is also the reason why Lieutenant General Takasu Shiro was able to serve as the commander of the reorganized battleship team.

Of course, compared with Admiral Yoshida Zengo, who has been promoted to the Minister of the Navy, Lieutenant General Takasu Shiro's promotion is relatively small.

However, Lieutenant General Takasu Shiro obviously prefers faster battlecruisers than commanding these battleships. It's just that there is only one "Amagi-class" battlecruiser left. Four more powerful "Gaitiancheng-class" battlecruisers are under construction, and it will take some time before they are ready to serve.

Lieutenant General Takasu Shiro took a look at the document, and the expression on his face suddenly became serious.

"Suzuki-kun, order the fleet to get ready! The German fleet may also be in this sea area. Tonight, we may still encounter them!" Lieutenant Admiral Takasu Shiro said.

"Hi, Your Excellency, Commander!" Major General Suzuki Yoshio's expression also became serious.

In the last naval battle, although they did not encounter the capital ship formation of the German Navy. However, the heavy cruisers of the German Navy were very tough, and their heavy cruisers had almost no power to fight back. In addition, from the mouths of officers and soldiers of other navies, they also knew the strength of the German Navy's battleship formation. Therefore, they know that once they encounter the capital ship formation of the German Navy, it will be very dangerous.

However, since it has already set off, it is impossible to escape now. The only thing that can be done is to try our best to defeat the German fleet. Lieutenant General Takasu Shiro believed that victory must belong to them.

Just after one o'clock in the morning on April 15, the sea search radar of a heavy cruiser of the German fleet was the first to discover the island nation fleet heading south.

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On the battlecruiser "Blücher", Lieutenant General Otto Schneewendt, commander of the battleship formation of the German Navy's Indian Ocean Fleet, and Major General Abraham, chief of staff, were drinking espresso. Because they all believe that the island fleet will appear in the early days, and there is a high possibility that it will appear at night. Therefore, both of them had to cheer up at night.

Although the reversal of the biological clock makes people's physical fitness decline, but for the young and strong, this is nothing, and they will adjust soon. What they desire most is undoubtedly to defeat the navy of the island country in the war and win the naval battle.

The last naval battle was undoubtedly an unacceptable result for the German Navy. Because although they caused great losses to the island navy. But at the same time, its own losses are not small. In contrast to the two, the German navy did not actually take much advantage. All the generals of the German Navy regarded this as a shame. You know, before the war broke out, they didn't pay attention to the island fleet at all. Although the navy of the island country has a large number of newly commissioned capital ships. But the real performance of those battleships is not even comparable to the old battleships of the German Navy. What's more, in terms of aircraft carriers, the German Navy still has an absolute advantage. Whether it is the performance of an aircraft carrier or a carrier-based aircraft, they are completely capable of crushing the navy of an island country.

In addition, the German Navy also has a large number of bases in the Pacific Ocean, deploying a large number of shore-based aircraft.

It is precisely because of this that they are full of confidence in the war with the navy of the island country. They think that once the war starts, they can easily defeat the navy of the island country. However, the final result was really unacceptable to them.

This is why Lieutenant General Otto Schneewendt and others hope to defeat the island navy in one fell swoop with another naval battle.

"General, our heavy cruiser has spotted the target. The islanders' fleet is just to the north of us. It is less than forty kilometers away from us." A staff officer reported.

Lieutenant General Otto Schneewendt and Major General Abraham stood up from their positions at once.

"Haha, very good! The islanders have really come. This time, we will let them go and never return!" Lieutenant General Otto Schneewendt laughed.

Major General Abraham also had a smile on his face. Although, they only dispatched five battlecruisers now. However, the capital ship force of the Japanese navy suffered heavy losses in the last naval battle, and countless capital ships were sunk and severely damaged. There are only five capital ships that can still go to battle now. In addition, the artillery sighting radar equipped by the German Navy has proved to be very useful in the last naval battle. Especially when fighting at night, the enemy's line of sight is affected and it is impossible to aim accurately. However, the German Navy was able to rely on the guidance of the gun sight radar to obtain a good hit rate. This is completely tantamount to bullying people! Therefore, Major General Abraham is also full of confidence in this night's battle. In his view, if nothing unexpected happens, the German navy will win.

"How many capital ships are there in the island fleet?" Lieutenant General Otto Schneewent asked.

"General, the radar has detected four capital ships. In addition, there are four heavy cruisers, eight light cruisers and a large number of destroyers." The officer reported.

Lieutenant General Otto Schneewent nodded: "Your Excellency, Command the fleet to prepare for battle! We will defeat the islanders once again. Let them know that the final victory of this war will be belongs to us!"

"Hi, Your Excellency Commander!" Major General Abraham immediately went to convey the order.

The German Navy's sea-search radar has a detection range far greater than that of the island nation's navy. This made the German fleet have discovered the island nation's fleet, but the island nation's fleet still knew nothing about it.

The capital ship formation of the German fleet began to adjust its formation. Three "Blücher-class" battlecruisers and two "Derfflinger-class" battlecruisers began to line up. Although it seems a bit disadvantageous to let battlecruisers and battleships face off. However, the armor of the battlecruisers of the German Navy is also very thick, while the armor of the capital ships of the island navy is not very good. It's just that the battleships of the Japanese navy are slightly better in terms of main gun caliber. Among the four battleships of the island fleet, the battleships "Suruga", "Omi" and "Mutsu" are all equipped with 410mm main guns of 45 times the caliber, while the "Ise" battleships are equipped with It is a 356mm main gun with 45 times the caliber, but the number of main guns is as high as 12.

The capital ships of the German fleet are all equipped with 380mm main guns with 50 times the caliber. In terms of range and armor-piercing performance, they are no worse than the 410mm main guns with 45 times the caliber of the island fleet, and even slightly better. In addition, the German fleet still has a numerical advantage. Therefore, the German fleet undoubtedly had a great advantage in this battle.

The five battlecruisers of the German fleet began to sail towards the island fleet, and the official career was able to seize the T prefix by virtue of its speed advantage. In this way, they can concentrate the powerful firepower of five battlecruisers in the first few minutes of the war, pouring firepower on the island fleet. If you are lucky, you may be able to severely damage or even sink a capital ship of the island navy within a few minutes.

If the plan is successful, the German fleet will have a greater advantage in this battle.

On one side of the battle line, there are cruiser formations and destroyer formations of the German Navy. They will provide close protection for capital ship formations. After all, the threat of the spear torpedo of the island navy is very great. These battlecruisers of the German Navy can hardly withstand these terrifying heavy torpedoes with a caliber of 610 mm. What's more terrible is that the range and rate of fire of the spear torpedo are very terrifying. At 50 knots, the range reaches 22,000 meters, and at 39 knots, the range reaches 33,000 meters. At 35 knots, the range reached 40,400 meters. Especially at night, the possibility of being hit by a torpedo from an island navy will further increase.

On the battleship Suruga of the Japanese Navy, Lieutenant General Takasu Shiro was a little uneasy, as if he had been targeted by the enemy. Although, the sea search radar on the "Suruga" battleship is still operating. But because of the detection distance, they did not find the German fleet more than 30 kilometers away.

In the German fleet, the gun-sighting radars on several battlecruisers have started to operate. After the radar soldiers detected the main ship of the island nation's navy, they obtained specific data and fed it back to the main turrets. The main turret is constantly turning to adjust the firing position.

With the speed advantage of the German fleet, they have already seized a favorable shooting position. Although it is not a real T prefix, all five battlecruisers can aim their main guns at the leading battleship in the island nation's fleet.

"Your Excellency, the distance between the two sides is now 25 kilometers. Soon, we will be discovered by the detection radar of the island navy." The captain of the battlecruiser 'Blücher' reported.

Lieutenant General Otto Schneewendt nodded. He knew that if the distance was further shortened, the hit rate of the main gun could indeed be improved. But at the same time, that will also bring great risks to the fleet. The spear torpedoes of the island navy are very threatening.

"Order our destroyer formation to be ready to meet the destroyers of the islanders at any time! They must not be allowed to launch torpedoes calmly!" Lieutenant General Otto Schneewendt ordered.

If the destroyer of the island navy is found approaching, in order to avoid being hit by a torpedo, they have to turn in advance to avoid it. Although the performance of the spear torpedo of the island navy is very superior, it is world-leading in terms of range, speed, and warhead charge. However, it is not so easy to hit the enemy's high-speed warships in naval battles. After all, with a maximum range of 22,000 meters at a speed of 50 knots, it would take 13 minutes for the torpedo to sail 22,000 meters. These times are enough for the battleship to turn to evade. Therefore, when the navy of the island country launches a lightning strike, it will also shorten the launch distance as much as possible. In this case, the hit rate can be greatly improved.

"Yes, Your Excellency Commander. The destroyer formation is on standby!" Rear Admiral Abraham replied with a serious face. He also knew how dangerous the next battle would be. Although the German navy has a great advantage, the islanders are not powerless to fight back. Once the opportunity is seized by the islanders, the German navy will also pay an extremely heavy price.

The German Navy hopes to win this naval battle, but it does not want to suffer major damage. Especially capital ships, it is best not to lose a single one, in that case, it would be great. After all, the Japanese navy will soon have more powerful battleships in service. The German Navy's Pacific Fleet and Indian Ocean Fleet have not received support in this regard for a long time.

"Order the ships to fire!" Lieutenant General Otto Schneewent gave the order to fire.

"Boom! Boom! Boom!"

The three triple-mounted 50-caliber 380mm main guns of the battlecruiser 'Blücher' took the lead in shelling. Under the guidance of the gun-sighting radar, nine armor-piercing projectiles weighing one ton roared and slammed into the battleships of the Japanese navy. That battleship was none other than the battleship 'Suruga', the flagship of the battleship battleship of the island nation's naval task force.

After the battlecruisers 'Blücher' opened fire, the battlecruisers 'Von der Tann' and 'Leopold' followed, and 'Derfflinger' The remaining two battleships among the "class" battlecruisers, namely the battlecruiser "Lützow" and the battlecruiser "Hindenburg", also started shelling.

For a moment, the 45 380mm main guns of the five battlecruisers frantically poured shells at the battleship 'Suruga'.

The flying speed of the shell has already exceeded the speed of sound. So much so that when the shells hit, a violent explosion occurred, and then a high water column was splashed, the island fleet realized that it had been attacked.

Lieutenant General Takasu Shiro's complexion suddenly turned as dark as the bottom of a pot.

"Baga! We were ambushed by the Germans! They have assembled a large number of capital ships and are attacking us!" Lieutenant General Takasu Shiro cursed. Although he had expected it before, the German fleet would definitely appear this time. It is very likely that a fierce battle will break out between the two sides. However, being attacked by the German fleet now still makes him very angry.

"Your Excellency, the German warship is beyond our radar detection range. However, the destroyer on the periphery reported that the German fleet has been spotted. It is more than 20 kilometers away from us!" Rear Admiral Suzuki Yoshio reported.

"Order the ships, increase the speed, and shorten the distance between us and the Germans!" Lieutenant General Takasu Shiro ordered.

Now that it has encountered the German fleet, it seems that the island nation's fleet has no other choice but to fight. Therefore, they can only pin their hopes on defeating the German fleet.

"Hi, Your Excellency Commander!" Major General Suzuki Yoshio replied.

Facing the heavy bombardment of the German fleet, the island nation's fleet began to adjust its formation. Four capital ships lined up in battle line. At the same time, by speeding up and turning, an attempt was made to narrow the distance with the German fleet.

The current combat distance is more than 20 kilometers away. Even the German fleet with the help of artillery targeting radar is very difficult to hit the target at this distance, let alone the island fleet without the assistance of artillery targeting radar. . If they were firing at that distance, it would be no different than wasting shells.

"Boom! Boom! Boom!"

The five battlecruisers of the German fleet are pouring shells. They hope to seize this opportunity and first severely damage a capital ship of the island fleet. In this case, they will be able to gain a greater advantage in the battle. However, it is indeed difficult to hit a target more than 20 kilometers away. Even with the assistance of artillery sighting radar, it is difficult to complete.

"General, the distance between us and the islanders has been shortened to less than 20 kilometers!" Major General Abraham reminded.

Lieutenant Admiral Otto Schneewendt nodded: "Closely monitor the destroyers and light cruisers of the islanders! Once you find that they have signs of lightning strikes, immediately dispatch the destroyer formation. At the same time, the capital ship immediately turns to avoid it!"

Even after the attack started, Lieutenant General Otto Schneewendt was still very concerned about the destroyer formation and light cruiser formation of the island navy, for fear that they would launch a

lightning strike. The performance of the 610mm spear torpedo is really crazy. Compared with the torpedoes used by the U.S. Navy and the spear torpedoes of the island navy, the gap is very obvious. Even the German Navy, although it has started research in this area, has not yet achieved success. The equipped 533mm heavy torpedo is a bit worse than the spear torpedo in terms of range, rate of fire, and power.

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"Boom! Boom! Boom!"

Several battlecruisers opened fire violently, and heavy shells roared and smashed towards the battleship 'Suruga' of the island nation fleet. Cannonballs fell around the battleship "Suruga", splashing high water columns.

The officers and soldiers of the island nation on the battleship 'Suruga' were all terrified. The 'Ki-class' battleships pursue firepower and speed too much, so that the armor of the 'Ki-class' battleships is not thick, nor is their defense strong. The side armor is only 280 mm, and the turret armor is only 300 mm. Even the commander with the thickest armor is only 356 mm. Once hit by the German fleet's 50-caliber 380mm main gun, its powerful armor-piercing ability can undoubtedly easily penetrate it.

"Baga, fight back!" Lieutenant General Takasu Shiro gave the order to attack viciously.

"Your Excellency, the combat distance..." Major General Suzuki Yoshio was a little worried. After all, the distance between the two sides is still eighteen kilometers. Without the assistance of the artillery sighting radar, at this distance, the battleships of the island nation fleet have almost no possibility of hitting the target.

"Let's fire first! If you don't fight back, it will have a great impact on the morale of the troops!" Lieutenant General Takasu Shiro said.

Major General Suzuki Yoshio nodded, and immediately went to convey the order.

"Boom! Boom! Boom!"

The battleship 'Suruga' took the lead in shelling, and five twin-mounted 410mm main guns with a caliber of 45 times opened fire violently. Armor-piercing projectiles weighing more than a ton roared and smashed into the German fleet.

The battleship 'Omi', the battleship 'Mutsu' and the battleship 'Ise' followed closely behind and started firing. The target of the bombardment of these island battleships is the first battleship of the German fleet's battle line, the flagship battlecruiser "Blücher".

For a while, the two sides came and went, constantly smashing heavy armor-piercing bullets at each other. The rumble of guns on the sea was like thunder.

The artillery battle between the two sides seemed to be very intense. However, it is actually two completely different results. The capital ship of the German fleet, with the guidance of the gun sight radar, the impact point is very close. And through constant adjustment, the impact point is getting closer and closer. On the other hand, the island fleet can only fire with experience and luck. As for whether they can hit the target, it can only depend on their character, or the prayer of God Amaterasu.

"The islanders fought back? Huh! Let them waste shells. These shells are not cheap after all." Lieutenant General Otto Schneewendt had a mocking smile on his face.

"General, the islanders are trying to shorten the distance of the battle." Major General Abraham reminded.

"Don't worry about them, as long as the combat distance is controlled at more than 15 kilometers, we will be safe!" Lieutenant General Otto Schneewendt said.

Major General Abraham nodded. Although the spear torpedo is fast, it has a long range. However, the longer distance still gave the German fleet a long reaction time. As long as the luck is not too bad, or if it is hit by intensive torpedoes from the island nation's fleet, there is still a great possibility to avoid the island nation's fleet's lightning strikes.

Of course, Lieutenant General Otto Schneewendt and Rear Admiral Abraham didn't know at the moment that the island nation's fleet was not as weak as they imagined. There are also secret weapons in the island nation's fleet. Once the islanders use their secret weapons, the German fleet will probably pay a big price if they are unreachable.

At 1:38 in the morning, 15 minutes after the fierce battle had begun, the German fleet finally scored its first hit in this naval battle. A 380mm artillery shell fired from the battlecruiser 'Von der Tann' hit the battleship 'Suruga'. The shell hit the front deck of the battleship Suruga. Although the deck armor is as thick as 162 mm. However, it still failed to withstand the heavy shells under the action of huge kinetic energy.

The shell tore through the deck armor of the battleship 'Suruga' and exploded inside the battleship. Several compartments were blown up, and some of the debris inside was also ablaze. The raging fire even spread to the deck, which can be seen from a long distance under the night sky.

"Good job!" Lieutenant General Otto Schneewent laughed.

Although this shell did not cause much damage to the battleship 'Suruga', it was undoubtedly a good start. There are still several hours before dawn, Lieutenant General Otto Schneewent believes that they have enough time to hit the targets, and then sink these targets one by one. Just like what they did in the last naval battle.

"Eight Ga!" Lieutenant General Takasu Shiro jumped angrily.

"Order the damage control personnel to put out the fire immediately! These fires will make us a living target for the Germans!" Major General Yoshio Suzuki shouted nervously. Under the night sky, the line of sight of both sides is not good. But if the battleship was hit and ignited, it would undoubtedly give the enemy a clear guide.

The sailors of the island nation wearing gas masks dragged the water dragon and rushed to the fire, trying to put out the fire.

The fire ignited from the battleship "Suruga" did give several battlecruisers of the German Navy more clear guidance. Several battlecruisers of the German Navy seized this opportunity and poured shells on the battleship 'Suruga' more violently.

Before the damage control personnel on the battleship "Suruga" had time to put out the fire, the German fleet scored another hit.

This time, the flagship battleship 'Blücher' lived up to expectations and hit the battleship 'Suruga'. A 380mm shell hit the side of the battleship Suruga. A 140mm secondary gun was blown away and fell into the sea. At the same time, a bunch of artillery shells were detonated, causing the side of the battleship 'Suruga' to be blown into a mess, and a fire was ignited.

"Very good, keep up the good work! Seize this opportunity and kill the battleship of the Japanese!" Lieutenant Admiral Otto Schneewendt had a smile on his face, as if he had already seen the battleship "Suruga" of the Japanese Navy. It was sunk under heavy fire from the German fleet.

"Boom!"

Suddenly, a violent explosion occurred on the battlecruiser "Blücher". A 410mm artillery shell slammed \*\*\*\* the port side of the battlecruiser 'Blücher'. A 150mm secondary gun was blown into parts, and several sailors were torn to pieces. The port side of the battleship "Blücher" seemed to have been bitten by a dog. At the same time, a fire was also ignited. And this puts the battlecruiser 'Blücher' also in danger.

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"Bastard! Report the loss!" Lieutenant General Otto Schneewendt almost jumped up.

"General, the side was hit, a secondary gun was blown off, and the fire was ignited!" Two minutes later, a damage control officer reported.

"Quickly put out the fire!" Lieutenant General Otto Schneewendt ordered with a dark face.

At this juncture, being hit by the islanders is not good news. After the battleship is on fire, it will inevitably be bombarded more violently by the enemy. Especially after the firelight guides the enemy, the accuracy of the enemy's shelling will definitely be improved.

"The islanders are able to hit us from such a distance, isn't it their luck?" Major General Abraham's face was also very ugly. You know, the battle distance between the two sides is now more than eighteen kilometers. If it is daytime, this distance may be just right. But this is at night! The navy of the island country does not have a gun-sighting radar.

Lieutenant General Otto Schneewendt nodded. His face was very ugly, and he was obviously worried about the bad luck of the islanders. You must know that at this distance, when the line of sight is severely blocked, the possibility of hitting the German fleet is very, very low, similar to winning the jackpot. But the islanders really hit the German Navy's warship, which is undoubtedly very speechless.

A large number of damage control personnel wearing gas masks and dragging water hoses rushed to the place where the fire started. They must put out the fire in the shortest possible time. Otherwise, this would make the battlecruiser Blücher a shell magnet.

In fact, the moment the battlecruiser "Blücher" ignited the fire, the shelling of the four battleships of the island navy became more violent. The officers and soldiers of the Japanese navy all thought that their luck had come. Therefore, the frequency of shelling has been accelerated.

"Haha! God bless Amaterasu! We have hit the Germans! Order all ships, seize this opportunity, and sink the German warships!" Lieutenant Admiral Takasu Shiro smiled happily. When his flagship was hit one after another, he was able to counterattack successfully, which undoubtedly boosted the morale of the island navy. After all, the navy of the island country thinks its own strength is very strong, and it was completely an accident that it lost to the German navy in the last naval battle.

The generals of the island nation's navy generally believe that the strength of the German Navy's aircraft carrier team is higher than that of the island nation's navy. However, in the capital ship battle group, it is the navy of the island country that takes the lead. But unfortunately, in the last naval battle, the battleship formation of the island nation's navy suffered a crushing defeat in front of the battleship formation of the German navy and suffered heavy losses.

"Boom! Boom! Boom!"

The main guns of the capital ships of both sides are firing crazily, smashing heavy shells one after another at the opponent's warship, trying to destroy or sink the opponent's warship in the shortest possible time. This made this naval battle more intense.

The battleship Suruga, the flagship of the island nation fleet, and the battlecruiser Blücher, the flagship of the German fleet, both became targets of attack. One after another, the shells all rushed towards the two warships. Even if these warships are huge warships with a displacement of more than 40,000 tons, once they are hit, the consequences will be very serious. If there are more and more shells, it will only be a matter of time before they are sunk.

Especially when the battleship 'Suruga' and the battlecruiser 'Blücher' were both on fire, it was even more dangerous.

The damage control personnel on both sides are desperately putting out the fire, trying to put out the fire before it is hit more seriously.

With the efforts of the damage control personnel, five minutes after the battlecruiser 'Blücher' was hit, the fire was finally extinguished. And within these five minutes, the island nation's fleet failed to hit the battlecruiser 'Blücher' again. This made the island nation's fleet up and down, only to watch the huge figure of the battlecruiser 'Blücher' disappear in the darkness.

"Eight Ga!" Seeing such a situation, Lieutenant General Takasu Shiro was very angry, but more helpless.

Fortunately, the fire on the battleship "Suruga" was also extinguished, which made Lieutenant General Takasu Shiro heave a sigh of relief. Otherwise, the island nation's fleet would be even more at a disadvantage in this naval battle.

But even so, the German fleet still has a great advantage. They have the artifact of artillery sight radar, and the probability of hitting is naturally much higher than that of the German fleet.

At 1:55, the German fleet hit the battleship 'Suruga' again. A 380mm artillery shell fired from the battlecruiser "Lützow" hit the rear deck of the battleship "Suruga". The shell hit the No. 5 main turret on the stern of the battleship Suruga. The 300mm turret armor was simply unable to withstand the 380mm shells fired by the 50 times the caliber main gun, and was easily torn apart.

The shell exploded inside the turret, overturning the entire turret. All the island sailors inside were killed. At the same time, the overturned turret also withstood the No. 4 main turret, causing the two main guns of this turret to be jacked up and unable to continue firing. This directly caused the battleship 'Suruga' to lose 40% of its firepower.

"Your Excellency, the two main turrets on the rear deck have been destroyed." Major General Suzuki Yoshio reported.

Lieutenant Admiral Takasu Shiro looked very ugly. He knew that the island fleet might be at a disadvantage this time. It would be very difficult to defeat the German fleet.

"Your Excellency, the German fleet may really have a way to find the target at night and launch an attack." Rear Admiral Suzuki Yoshio said.

After the last naval battle, the island fleet has already had speculation in this regard. Otherwise, it is absolutely impossible for the German fleet to have such a high hit rate.

Lieutenant General Takasushiro nodded: "The scientific research institute speculates that this is the application of radar technology by the Germans. They must rely on advanced radar to have such a high hit rate."

The faces of both of them were very ugly, but at the same time, they were very helpless. Who made the gap between the scientific and technological strength of the island country and Germany so large? The German Navy can already use radar to guide the main gun and improve the hit rate. However, the navy of the island country is still working hard to increase the detection range of the radar. This makes it difficult for them to defeat the German fleet.

"No wonder the Germans dare not build new capital ships and use those old warships to deal with us! This may be their confidence!" Lieutenant General Takasu Shiro sighed.