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"The German home fleet still has 7 capital ships left, and they are all old warships. Even if they have been modernized, they are definitely not our opponents!" Admiral Ernest King said.

The ten capital ships of the British Navy, plus the six capital ships of the U.S. Navy, they already have a decisive advantage in this regard. Not to mention, among the six capital ships of the U.S. Navy, there are also three "Montana-class" battleships with extremely abnormal defense capabilities.

"The German capital ships are not a concern. However, their aircraft carriers must pay more attention!" Lieutenant General Halsey said.

"Indeed, the German aircraft carrier is very powerful, we must pay attention to it." Admiral Andrew Cunningham also said.

Even though the US-British combined fleet now has a total of 9 "Essex-class" aircraft carriers, four "Independence-class" light aircraft carriers and eight medium-sized aircraft carriers of the British Navy. In terms of number, it is already 2.5 times that of the eight aircraft carriers of the German Navy. However, in terms of the number of carrier-based aircraft, the US-British combined fleet is only about 1.5 times that of the German Navy. If the performance of the carrier-based aircraft and the quality of the pilots of both sides are taken into consideration, the US-British combined fleet has almost no advantage in terms of carrier-based aircraft.

Although, the carrier-based fighters carried on the aircraft carriers of the U.S. Navy and the British Navy have all been replaced with advanced F4U fighters. This is undoubtedly an extremely advanced fighter. However, compared with the German Navy's carrier-based FW-190 fighter, the F4U fighter has no advantage at all, but is at a disadvantage. Coupled with the advantages of the German Navy's carrier-based aircraft pilots, the U.S. Navy's carrier-based aircraft is undoubtedly at a disadvantage. The only thing they can rely on is perhaps the advantage in numbers.

"No matter what, we already have an absolute advantage in this comparison of strength. As long as we grasp it well, it will definitely not be a problem to defeat the German Navy's home fleet. We must not miss this opportunity!" Admiral Ernest King said.

A group of generals from the American and British navies nodded their heads one after another. They also know that this opportunity should not be missed. Otherwise, it would be almost impossible for them to find such an opportunity again.

"Gentlemen, half an hour later, the fleet set off to the southeastern waters of Greenland to search for traces of the German Navy's home fleet. Find them and annihilate them to win this naval battle!" Ernest? Admiral Jin ordered.

"Yes, General!" Everyone replied.

"General Jin, if we are only dealing with the German Navy's home fleet, our advantage is undoubtedly great. But what if the German Navy's Atlantic Fleet and Mediterranean Fleet go

north? We may not have any advantage at that time." Admiral Andrew Cunningham was a little worried.

"Don't worry, General Cunningham. The German Atlantic Fleet and Mediterranean Fleet have been dragged by us. Our Army Air Force is bombing Bermuda with a huge force. If the Germans don't want to see Bermuda If they are blown into ruins by us, they must leave a strong force in the waters around the Bermuda Islands. Only in this way can they protect the Bermuda Islands. And this will severely damage or even destroy the creation of the German Navy's home fleet. opportunity," said Admiral Ernest King.

Admiral Andrew Cunningham couldn't help but nodded when he heard the news. After the German Navy's Atlantic Fleet and Mediterranean Fleet are held back, their chances of winning will undoubtedly be much greater.

"The strength of the German Navy's carrier-based aircraft must be very clear to everyone. The Army Air Force will inevitably pay a heavy price in order to hold back the German Navy's Atlantic Fleet and Mediterranean Fleet. Therefore, we must hurry up and in the shortest possible time Only by defeating the German Navy's home fleet within the time limit." Admiral Ernest King said with a serious face.

The generals nodded again and again. They all knew that the opportunity of this decisive battle was bought for them by the U.S. Army Air Force with a relatively large sacrifice. This also makes them have to cherish this opportunity. Otherwise, it would be too sorry for the sacrifice of the US Army Air Forces.

Soon, the US-British United Fleet set off from the waters of Newfoundland to the waters southeast of Greenland to search for traces of the German Navy's home fleet. This time, the two navies jointly attacked, it can be said that they gathered all their main forces and planned to defeat the German Navy's home fleet in one fell swoop. Even the generals of these American and British navies are ambitious to annihilate the German Navy's home fleet in one fell swoop, thus giving them a greater advantage in the Atlantic Ocean.

In the waters southeast of Greenland, the German Navy's home fleet is here. Eight aircraft carriers and seven capital ships are the core combat power of the entire fleet. Such a powerful fleet is a powerful fleet even in the world. However, facing the joint efforts of the U.S. Navy and the British Navy, their strength is still at a disadvantage.

At this moment, the German Navy's home fleet is heading south at a low speed. It is obviously not safe to stay in the southeastern waters of Greenland. Once the US and British navies attack them, it will be difficult for them to resist. Only by uniting with the Atlantic Fleet and the Mediterranean Fleet can they have a greater chance of winning.

"Your Excellency, Commander, according to the information obtained so far, the navies of the United States and Britain have gathered in the waters south of Newfoundland. However, they still have no choice when they already know that the Bermuda Islands have fallen into our hands. Go south." Lieutenant General Carl Witzel said with a frown.

Marshal Lütjens couldn't help laughing: "Obviously, the appetites of the Americans and the British are bigger than we imagined. Even though the Bermuda Islands have fallen into our hands, they still have no rescue. From now on It can be judged that they set their target on us and wanted to take advantage of this opportunity to kill us in one fell swoop.

It seems that in the Azores naval battle, our poor performance made both the Americans and the British think that we are easy to bully. "

When Marshal Lütjens finished his last sentence, the smile on his face had completely disappeared. The U.S. Navy and the British Navy actually wanted to get rid of them. Then, the German Navy's home fleet must not be able to retreat. What's more, Marshal Lütjens also hopes to use a brilliant victory to let the world see that the German Navy's home fleet is the most powerful.

Chapter 1632

"Report, Your Excellency, a telegram from Bermuda." A communications officer reported.

Marshal Lütjens took the telegram and read it carefully. However, when he finished reading the telegram, his expression became very solemn.

"Your Excellency, what happened?" Lieutenant General Karl Weitzel asked.

"Look for yourself!" Marshal Lütjens handed over the telegram.

Lieutenant General Carl Witzel took the telegram and read it. After he finished reading the telegram, his complexion also became very ugly.

"Your Excellency, Commander, the Americans actually dispatched a large number of planes to bomb the Bermuda Islands. Don't they know that under the protection of our carrier-based planes, their attempts will not succeed? Not only that, but they will also have to pay A heavy price." Lieutenant General Carl Witzel said.

"Of course the Americans know this. However, they still chose to attack Bermuda regardless of the cost. Obviously, they have other plans!" Marshal Lütjens said coldly.

"Another picture?"

Marshal Lütjens nodded: "Obviously, the Americans are here for us. If they continue to attack the Bermuda Islands, the Atlantic Fleet and the Mediterranean Fleet will be dragged by them in the waters near the Bermuda Islands. It is impossible to go north to join us. The U.S. Navy and the British Navy can seize this opportunity and attack us."

Marshal Karl Witzel was taken aback suddenly: "Your Excellency, aren't we in danger?"

Although the strength of the local fleet is not weak, it is obviously not enough if it is to deal with the US Navy and the British Navy on its own. The US Navy and the British Navy combined have nine fleet aircraft carriers, 8 medium-sized aircraft carriers and 4 light aircraft carriers. In addition, there are as many as 16 capital ships. Whether it is in terms of aircraft carriers or capital ships, the US Navy and the British Navy have absolute advantages. If the local fleet wants to defeat the US Navy and the British Navy, it will be very difficult.

"Indeed, we are in a dangerous situation. It can be expected that the U.S. Navy and the British Navy will definitely rush towards us now. If we don't avoid it, then we will have to face a hard battle." Marshal Lütjens said.

"Your Excellency, Commander, we can speed up and sail eastward, as long as we return to the Eastern Atlantic Ocean. Then, we can get support from shore-based aircraft. At that time, it will

be enough to defeat the US Navy and the British Navy." Lieutenant General Carl Witzel suggested.

The German Air Force and Navy have deployed a large number of aircraft on the east coast of the Atlantic Ocean, including Iceland, Norway, and the United Kingdom. Although in the case of the German navy dominating the Atlantic, these forces are temporarily unavailable. However, once the U.S. Navy and the British Navy get close, they will definitely be able to rely on these shore-based aircraft to deal a devastating blow to the U.S. Navy and the British Navy.

Marshal Lütjens shook his head: "Even if we retreat to Dong, do the Americans and British have the courage to go east?"

Lieutenant General Carl Witzel was taken aback for a moment, then nodded: "Indeed, Commander, the Americans and British probably don't even have the guts to enter the eastern Atlantic waters."

"In addition, although the U.S. Navy and the British Navy are powerful, how can we be intimidated by them? Our strength is also not weak. If we seize the opportunity, we can also cause a devastating blow to the U.S. Navy and the British Navy!" said Marshal Lütjens.

Though, evacuating to the east, retreating to the protection of shore-based aircraft is the safest plan. However, Marshal Lütjens was unwilling to choose such a plan. Because of that, the U.S. Navy and the British Navy will inevitably shrink back again. This also made it more difficult for the German Navy to destroy the US Navy and the British Navy in one fell swoop. Marshal Lütjens also hopes to take advantage of this opportunity to completely eliminate the US Navy and the British Navy in one fell swoop.

"Your Excellency, what are you going to do?" Lieutenant General Carl Witzel asked.

"Order the fleet to speed up to the south, and fight a decisive battle with the US and British navies in the mid-Atlantic waters!" Marshal Lütjens said.

"Your Excellency, with our strength, I'm afraid it will be difficult to completely overwhelm the US and British navies." Lieutenant General Carl Weitzer reminded.

Marshal Lütjens nodded: "Of course I know this. However, the Atlantic Fleet and the Mediterranean Fleet can also participate in the war? Or, let the Atlantic Fleet stay in the waters near Bermuda and the Mediterranean Fleet come to reinforce us .As long as we have the support of the Mediterranean Fleet, our strength can still crush the US and British navies!"

The strength of the local fleet is indeed slightly weaker than that of the US and British navies. However, with the addition of the Mediterranean Fleet, it is completely different. In particular, the Mediterranean Fleet, which has obtained a "Lord God-class" aircraft carrier, has become even stronger. If these two fleets join forces to suppress the US and British navies, the problem will not be very big.

"Your Excellency, is this too risky?" Lieutenant General Karl Witzel was a little worried. After all, although the German navy has an advantage in the Atlantic Ocean. But if they lose this battle, their advantage will be wiped out. Even, it will affect the subsequent series of operations.

You know, both the Kaiser and the German military have planned to launch a landing operation on North America by the end of the year. A strong navy is an important guarantee to

ensure the successful landing of German troops in North America. Once the naval power is damaged, the landing plan may be affected. It even makes the entire strategy problematic. At that time, they will assume even greater responsibilities.

Marshal Lütjens understood what Lieutenant General Karl Weitzel meant. However, at this point, he no longer wants to retreat.

"I know that this is very risky. However, I still want to give it a go. If it really fails, I will take all the responsibility. But if we can win, then our landing in North America, It will be a smooth road. The Americans and the British will no longer be able to prevent us from landing." Marshal Lütjens said.

"Well, Commander, I support your decision." Lieutenant General Carl Witzel said.

Marshal Lütjens nodded: "Order the fleet to speed up south. Also, take off the seaplane to Iceland, and send a telegram from Iceland to Bermuda!"

"Yes, Your Excellency Commander."

Doing this is naturally to continue to maintain radio silence, so that the traces of their fleet continue to be kept secret.

Chapter 1633

On October 18th, the sun just rose, and the sun shone on the sea. The entire fleet was bathed in the sun, looking very majestic. In particular, the huge aircraft carriers and battleships showed their powerful force to the fullest.

"General, this is a telegram forwarded from Bermuda last night." Lieutenant General George Friedberg handed the telegram to Admiral Rolf Karls.

Admiral Rolf Karls nodded after reading the telegram: "It seems that the local fleet is going to give it a go this time. However, with their strength and the strength of the Mediterranean Fleet, if they join hands, it is possible to kill the US and British fleets." The **** is still very big. If it is possible, we may also have the opportunity to join in and get a piece of it."

"General, is the home fleet's chance of success this time?" Lieutenant General George Friedberg asked.

"Although there are certain risks. However, the possibility of success is still very high. Once successful, we will be able to truly take the initiative in the Atlantic Ocean. This will be very beneficial to the next operations." Luo Lieutenant General Roff Karls said.

"But if the Mediterranean Fleet leaves, what about our air defense operations here?" Lieutenant General George Friedberg was a little worried.

"Even if the Mediterranean Fleet leaves, it won't have a big impact on us. We can fully sustain it." Lieutenant General Rolf Karls was extremely confident.

"General, the Americans lost so many planes yesterday, will they come again today?" Lieutenant General George Friedberg smiled. In yesterday's air battle, the German Navy's Atlantic Fleet and Mediterranean Fleet lost nearly 80 carrier-based fighters. However, such a small loss is insignificant compared to the results they achieved.

The U.S. Army Air Force lost more than two hundred B-17 heavy bombers in yesterday's air battle. The number of P-51 fighters lost is more than 350. Losing so many fighter planes in one day, no matter how rich and powerful the U.S. Army Air Corps is, it can't sustain it!

"It should continue! Although there were a lot of planes lost yesterday, the fighter planes equipped by the U.S. Army Air Forces are not unstoppable. No matter how bad it is, it will continue for two or three days. Wait until the losses increase further. , will give up." General Rolf Karls said.

Indeed, as Admiral Rolf Karls thought. Although the U.S. Army Air Force suffered a lot of losses, they were still gnashing their teeth in order to be able to hold back the German Navy's Atlantic Fleet and Mediterranean Fleet.

"However, General, if this continues, the loss of our carrier-based fighters will be too great." Lieutenant General George Friedberg was a little worried. After all, the total number of carrier-based fighter jets of the German Navy's Atlantic Fleet and Mediterranean Fleet is only more than 300. After losing more than 80 planes yesterday, there are now only more than 270 planes left. If this continues, their carrier-based fighters will be exhausted within a few days. At that time, I am afraid that it will no longer be able to intercept the fighter planes of the US Army Air Forces.

Admiral Rolf Karls nodded, this is indeed worthy of their attention.

"The country has already used a transport ship to urgently transport a batch of fighter planes to us. It is expected to arrive in a week. By then, we can replenish these carrier-based fighter jets. In addition, the air defense forces on Bermuda are also being strengthened. The airport's The construction is also accelerated. In two more days, the original two airports can be used. The Air Force will also send troops to station in time." Admiral Rolf Karls said.

Although Bermuda is far away from the German mainland, it is only more than 2,000 kilometers away from the Azores controlled by Germany. Although this is beyond the maximum range of fighter jets equipped by the Luftwaffe. However, if the fighter plane carries auxiliary fuel tanks, it can fly directly from the Azores to Bermuda. Once the Air Force's fighter jets are stationed, the pressure on the Navy will be much less.

"What's more, it is impossible for the American air strikes to continue like this. They still can't hold on to the loss of hundreds of aircraft every day. Even if they can continue, the intensity will become smaller and smaller. We intercept the US military The number of carrier-based aircraft lost by fighter jets will also become smaller and smaller." Admiral Rolf Karls said.

George Friedberger Lieutenant General nodded, agreeing with Admiral Rolf Karls' point of view.

On the morning of October 18, the U.S. Army Air Force once again launched an attack on Bermuda. However, it may be the reason for the heavy loss yesterday. In today's offensive, the U.S. Army Air Force only dispatched 250 B-17 heavy bombers and 400 P-51 fighter jets. Moreover, these US military pilots are even more frightened.

It is really that their losses were too great yesterday, which made many US military pilots worry that they would not be able to go back alive after performing this mission. This cannot be

blamed on the US military pilots who are afraid of death, but if they know that they must die, I am afraid that not many people can really see death as home.

In this day's air battle, perhaps because the US military was more afraid of death, the German Navy shot down 150 B-17 fighters and 300 P-17 fighters of the US Army Air Force with the loss of 50 carrier-based fighters. 51 fighters.

Such a heavy loss once again made the US Army Air Corps look sideways. In two days, they lost more than 350 B-17 heavy bombers and 650 P-51 fighters. Such a loss, no matter how strong the U.S. Army Air Corps is, it can't bear it!

"General, the Americans have suffered such a large loss this time, can they still send such a large fleet to attack us tomorrow?" Lieutenant General George Friedberg said.

"I'm afraid it can't be done. Even if they can have a large number of aircraft as supplements, the loss of pilots and crew members is not so easy to make up for. Next, the American attack will become weaker and weaker. The Mediterranean Fleet can also Don't worry about heading north." Admiral Rolf Karls said.

Lieutenant General George Friedberg nodded: "The American air strikes are getting weaker and weaker. We alone can handle it. The Mediterranean Fleet can indeed go north and join hands with the local fleet to fight to the death with the US and British navies!" "

On the evening of October 18, the German Navy's Mediterranean Fleet left the waters near Bermuda and rushed to the mid-Atlantic waters, preparing to assist the home fleet and fight to the death with the US and British navies.

Chapter 1634

In the central waters of the North Atlantic Ocean, a huge fleet is sailing north. Dozens of huge warships are guarded in the center of the fleet. These warships range from aircraft carriers to battleships. Around these aircraft carriers and battleships, there are also a large number of cruisers and destroyers.

Above the fleet, there are dozens of fighter jets cruising in this airspace. The air search radars of the battleships in the fleet are also constantly running. Once suspicious targets are found, they will immediately guide those air defense fighter jets to attack.

From time to time, seaplanes take off or land from the fleet. These seaplanes were sent by the fleet to scout around and look for traces of the German Navy's home fleet.

The US and British fleets are undoubtedly very powerful, but if you want to defeat the German fleet, you must first find the German fleet. Otherwise, no matter how powerful it is, what can it do? The German fleet could not be found, and they could not launch an attack.

Aboard the aircraft carrier 'Essex', Admiral Ernest King frowned tightly. Standing beside him was General Husband Kimmel. However, the expressions on the faces of both of them were very dignified.

"The strength of the German carrier-based aircraft force is indeed extraordinary. The loss of the Army Air Force is too great. If this continues, even if the Army Air Force has more aircraft, I am afraid it will not last long." Ou Admiral Nestor King said.

"Yes, General. In just two days, the Army Air Corps lost 350 B-17 heavy bombers and 650 P-51 fighters. The losses to the Germans were very large." Small. If this continues, the Army Air Corps' attacks will probably stop soon. At that time, the German Atlantic Fleet and Mediterranean Fleet will no longer stay in the waters near Bermuda. It's a huge threat," Admiral Hasburn Kimmel said.

Ernest? Admiral King nodded. Although the US and British fleets are very powerful, they can only gain an advantage in the battle against the German Navy's home fleet. If the Atlantic Fleet and the Mediterranean Fleet of the German Navy are added, they will not take advantage of the slightest advantage.

Admiral Ernest King knew that he was able to serve as the commander of the fleet this time and direct this naval battle not because of his ability, but because Admiral Nimitz was in the Azores. It was a fiasco, so he had a chance. If he also fails this time, then he won't have any more chances. Even his status in the navy is even worse than that of Admiral Nimitz. Therefore, Admiral Ernest King hoped that he could command the fleet to win this battle.

"We must find the Germans' home fleet as soon as possible, and then attack them! Otherwise, we will have no chance." Admiral Ernest King said.

"Yes, General. However, in the past two days, we have dispatched a large number of seaplanes to search. But we still haven't found the target." Admiral Hasben Kimmel said.

"The Germans must have known about our situation. Therefore, their fleets either retreated eastward, or they went southward, trying to join the two fleets. If the Germans retreated to Europe, that's all, we There is no way to catch them. However, if the Germans are going south, then we must intercept them. Order the fleet to speed up, and we must find the Germans as soon as possible!" Admiral Ernest King ordered.

"Yes, General." Husband Kimmel Admiral replied.

The home fleet of the German Navy is indeed heading south. However, Marshal Lütjens knew that the US and British fleets were powerful, and if they fought recklessly, the local fleet would not have the upper hand. Therefore, before he ordered the fleet to go south, he let the fleet sail east for a day, and then went south again. In this case, it will be even more difficult for the US and British fleets to find the German native fleet in the vast Atlantic Ocean.

"Your Excellency, the Atlantic Fleet and the Mediterranean Fleet fought very well in Bermuda. In two days, they have shot down thousands of aircraft of the US Army Air Force. Among them, there are 350 B-17 heavy bombers. The rest are P-51 fighter jets." Lieutenant General Karl Witzel looked excited.

The loss of the U.S. Army Air Forces is so large, which will greatly weaken the U.S. air defense and bombing forces. In the next battle, Germany will have a greater advantage.

"With such a huge loss, the U.S. Army Air Corps won't last long, right?" Marshal Lütjens raised his brows.

"Yes, Your Excellency Commander. The Mediterranean Fleet will leave the waters near Bermuda tonight and go north to cooperate with us in combat." Lieutenant General Carl Weitzel said.

Marshal Lütjens nodded, the heart that had been choosing all along was finally put back in his stomach. With the strength of the local fleet, it is somewhat difficult to compete against the US and British fleets alone. However, if the Mediterranean Fleet is added, their chances of winning are much greater.

It's just that everything doesn't go well in this world. Just when Marshal Lütjens thought they had a good chance of winning, an accident happened.

On the morning of October 19, a British submarine spotted the German Navy's home fleet that was heading south rapidly. Although, knowing that sending a telegram at this time will expose one's position and put oneself in danger. However, the British submarine resolutely went up and sent a telegram. It was this telegram that exposed the location of the German Navy's home fleet.

"General, we have found the location of the Germans." A staff officer reported to Admiral Ernest King with a look of surprise.

"Where are they again?" Admiral Ernest King asked immediately.

"A British submarine spotted them, about 450 kilometers southeast of us." The officer reported.

"Very good, immediately order all aircraft carriers, release carrier-based aircraft, and prepare to attack the Germans. We must seize this opportunity and kill the German home fleet!" Admiral Ernest King was excited ordered. At this moment, it seemed to him that even God was on his side.

"Yes, General."

The U.S. and British fleets took action immediately. Nine fleet aircraft carriers, four light aircraft carriers and eight medium-sized aircraft carriers all began to take off carrier-based aircraft. They hope to launch an attack first before the German Navy's home fleet reacts, destroying the German Navy's home fleet in one fell swoop, and establishing the victory of this naval battle.

Chapter 1635

"Whoo! Whoo! Whoo!"

One after another carrier-based aircraft took off from the aircraft carriers of the US Navy and the British Navy. In this time and space, after the United Kingdom retreated to Canada, its military technology was highly shared with the United States. Therefore, in terms of carrier-based aircraft, the two countries are exactly the same. After the Azores naval battle, the carrier-based fighters of the two navies were replaced by F4U fighters.

The nine "Essex-class" aircraft carriers undoubtedly carry the most carrier-based aircraft. Among the first wave of carrier-based aircraft to take off, each "Essex-class" aircraft carrier took off 18 F4U fighter jets, 18 SBD2 dive bombers and 9 TBD torpedo attack aircraft. As for the four "Independence-class" light aircraft carriers, each of them only carried 24 F4U fighter jets and 9 TBD torpedo attack aircraft. In this operation, these "Independence-class" light aircraft carriers only took off nine TBD torpedo attack aircraft. As for the fighter jets it carried, all remained, and they will become the main force of the fleet's air defense.

Admiral Ernest Jin will divide the next attack into two rounds and take off all the carrier-based aircraft of the nine Essex-class aircraft carriers. Then, for the next fleet air defense, we can only rely on the F4U fighter jets on the four "Independence-class" aircraft carriers for air defense.

While the aircraft carriers of the U.S. Navy are continuously taking off carrier-based aircraft, the eight medium-sized aircraft carriers of the British Navy are also taking off carrier-based aircraft. They will also participate in this attack.

The eight medium-sized aircraft carriers of the British Navy are three "Glory-class" aircraft carriers, each carrying 48 carrier-based aircraft. One "Ark Royal class" aircraft carrier and four "Distinguished class" aircraft carriers, each carrying 54 carrier-based aircraft. In this attack, the eight medium-sized aircraft carriers of the British Navy were able to launch a total of 69 F4U fighter jets, 69 SBD2 dive bombers and 69 TBD torpedo attack aircraft.

An hour later, they were still able to take off so many carrier-based aircraft to launch an attack in the second wave of attacks.

The aircraft carriers of the U.S. Navy and the British Navy took off huge carrier-based aircraft, formed a huge fleet, and flew to the location of the German Navy's home fleet more than 400 kilometers away.

The entire fleet includes 231 F4U fighters, 231 SBD2 dive bombers and 186 TBD torpedo attack aircraft. The number of carrier-based aircraft has reached 648. This is undoubtedly a very powerful force. Once an attack is launched against the German Navy's home fleet, it is enough to submerge the German Navy's home fleet.

What's more, the second wave of aircraft will depart in an hour. Compared with the fleet of the first wave, the fleet of the second wave only has 36 fewer TBD torpedo attack aircraft, and the total number of carrier-based aircraft in the entire fleet can still reach 612. If two waves of carrier-based aircraft launch an attack on the German Navy's home fleet, it will be enough to tear all the warships of the German Navy's home fleet to pieces.

Watching the huge fleet of carrier-based aircraft fly away from the sky above the fleet, Admiral Ernest King nodded in satisfaction.

"This time, the Germans will definitely not be able to escape. As long as we can get rid of them, then we will win this battle." Admiral Ernest King looked confident.

"Yes, General. After an hour, the second wave of aircraft will be able to take off. With two waves, there are more than 1,200 carrier-based aircraft. It is completely enough to submerge the German Navy!" Haspen? Admiral Kimmel said.

"Let our air search radar be alert. Prevent the Germans from jumping over the wall. The fighter jets of the four 'Independence-class' light aircraft carriers are all ready. Once the German fleet is found, they will immediately take off Meet the enemy!" Admiral Ernest King said.

"Yes, General." The staff officer immediately went to give the order.

Aboard the HMS Ark Royal, the flagship of the British fleet, Admiral John Tovey and Admiral Andrew Cunningham were also talking.

"Our submarine is probably in danger. The Germans will definitely find them." Admiral John Tovey said.

Admiral Andrew Cunningham nodded: "The Germans can easily monitor their telegrams. With the Germans' strong anti-submarine capabilities, unless there is a miracle. Otherwise, the submarine will be dead."

"However, their sacrifices are valuable. We can seize this opportunity and kill the German home fleet in one fell swoop, thus gaining a decisive advantage in this naval battle. Using a submarine to win us such Undoubtedly, it is very worthwhile." Admiral Andrew Cunningham continued.

Indeed, if it weren't for this British submarine, it would be very difficult for the US and British fleets to find traces of the German Navy's home fleet. Even, it is very likely that it will be slipped away by the German Navy's home fleet. Once the home fleet of the German Navy merges with the other two fleets, the US and British fleets may never have a chance.

"Yes, they are the heroes of the Royal Navy. Even though we lost our homeland, we still continued to fight. It is because of this that we have a chance to defeat the Germans in one fell swoop and retake our homeland!" John? Admiral Tovey said.

If the U.S. and British navies can defeat the German navy in one fell swoop in this naval battle and win. Then, they may really have a chance to go to the east of the Atlantic Ocean and take back the British mainland in one fell swoop. However, this naval battle has only just begun. It is too early to conclude that they can win.

"General Cunningham, can we get rid of the German home fleet this time?" Admiral John Tovey asked.

Admiral Andrew Cunningham hesitated for a while, and then said: "It may be difficult to completely wipe out the German Navy's home fleet. However, if it is to severely damage the German Navy's home fleet, there should be no problem. We The number of carrier-based aircraft dispatched in the first batch was more than 600. If the two batches add up, it will exceed 1,200. Even, if necessary, a third wave or even It is the fourth wave of attack. This kind of power is enough to submerge the German Navy's home fleet. It is true that the performance of the German Navy's carrier-based aircraft is more advanced and the quality of the pilots is higher. However, we have a decisive advantage in terms of numbers. Moreover, we are the first to attack. This will give us a greater advantage. I really can't think of any way for the German Navy to escape this disaster. It can be said that we have already won this time!"

Chapter 1636

On the aircraft carrier "Poseidon", the flagship of the German Navy's home fleet, the commander of the fleet, Marshal Lütjens, looked ashen. Lieutenant General Carl Witzel, the chief of staff of the fleet, also had a very ugly expression on his face. In the entire war room, all the officers dared not even vent their anger, for fear of offending Marshal Lütjens who was in a rage.

Several anti-submarine frigates are attacking a sea area. Depth charges one after another were dropped into the sea, and then water jets shot up into the sky. The sonar soldiers on the anti-submarine frigate listened intently to the sounds under the sea.

"Sir, the noise has died down. The target should have been sunk!" a sonar soldier reported.

The officer nodded: "Report to the flagship, we have sunk the enemy's submarine."

It's just that although they sank the enemy's submarine, everyone was not happy at all. Because the previous radio monitoring can be very clear that the enemy's submarine has sent a telegram. There is no doubt that the position of the fleet has been exposed, which undoubtedly poses a huge threat to the local fleet. Even if you are a little careless, you may face a catastrophe.

"Your Excellency, the anti-submarine team reports that the enemy's submarine has been sunk." A staff officer reported.

Marshal Lütjens nodded: "Now sink the enemy's submarine, but our position must have been exposed. Next, what should we do?"

There is no doubt that the local fleet is now in crisis. After the US and British fleets discovered their traces, they would inevitably encircle and suppress them. Even, the carrier-based aircraft of the US and British fleets have now begun to take off, and will soon fly over their heads.

"Your Excellency, the Americans and the British may still be far away from us. Even if they know our location, they cannot pose a threat to us." Lieutenant General Carl Witzel said.

Marshal Lütjens shook his head: "No, Chief of Staff, you are too optimistic. We must prepare for the worst. Otherwise, if the situation is very unfavorable to us, we may not be able to deal with it. gone."

"Your Excellency, Commander, can we launch an attack? Although we don't know the location of the Americans and the British. But they should be in our west or southwest." Lieutenant General Hans, commander of the aircraft carrier formation of the local fleet, said.

"I haven't even figured out the position of the British. It is a waste to launch an attack at this time. It will even weaken our air defense force." Marshal Lütjens categorically rejected this suggestion.

Of course, fully dispatching carrier-based aircraft to attack the US and British fleets may severely damage the US and British fleets. But at the same time, the local fleet will also pay a heavy price under the attack of the carrier-based aircraft of the US and British fleets. Even, when the US and British fleets already have a huge advantage, the local fleet may be completely wiped out.

All the generals of the local fleet frowned. Obviously, no matter what to do, the local fleet will face a great crisis this time. There is no way to do this. Who makes the overall strength of the US and British fleets much stronger than the local fleet? If the two sides are evenly matched, perhaps they can choose to fight hard, even if it is a fight that hurts both sides, it is also beneficial to the German Navy.

"Gentlemen, is there any way for everyone to get out of the current predicament?" Marshal Lütjens continued to ask. As time goes by, the local fleet will become more and more dangerous, which makes Marshal Lütjens a little anxious.

"Your Excellency, Commander, I have a way to get out of the current predicament." Lieutenant General Gerke, the commander of the battleship formation, said.

"General Gerke, what can we do?" Marshal Lütjens asked.

"Your Excellency, the aircraft carrier formation and the capital ship formation immediately separate. The capital ship formation maintains its course and continues to head south. The aircraft carrier formation turns to the east and distances itself from us at the fastest speed. In this case, the Americans and the British Once human carrier-based aircraft find our capital ship formation, they may be attracted by us and attack the capital ship formation instead. In this case, the aircraft carrier formation will be safe." Lieutenant General Gerke said.

After hearing this suggestion, everyone fell silent. Everyone understands that Lieutenant General Gerke's solution is to sacrifice the capital ship formation to preserve the aircraft carrier formation. Although, the 7 capital ships of the capital ship formation are also very valuable. But compared to the 8 aircraft carriers in the aircraft carrier formation, the value is undoubtedly much smaller.

Marshal Lütjens also frowned, telling him to abandon the capital ship formation and instead preserve the aircraft carrier formation. Such an order was difficult for him to utter. After all, this is undoubtedly very cruel to the many officers and soldiers of the capital ship formation. They are very likely to be buried in the sea under the siege of American and British carrier-based aircraft.

"Your Excellency, Commander, we don't have much time. Please issue an order immediately. The Americans and British are bound to attack aggressively this time. If there is any further delay, both the capital ship formation and the aircraft carrier formation will be dead. Moreover, after we make such a choice, we may not necessarily lose the naval battle. We can also use carrier-based fighter jets and fleet anti-aircraft firepower to consume the carrier-based aircraft of the Americans and the British. As long as their carrier-based aircraft are lost If it is serious, then our aircraft carrier can also launch a counterattack, which will severely damage the U.S. Navy and the British Navy in one fell swoop." Lieutenant General Gerke said.

"Yes, Your Excellency, Commander. For us, this is also an opportunity to turn defeat into victory." Lieutenant General Carl Weitzer also said.

"If the Americans and the British did not attack our capital ship formation, but instead searched for our aircraft carrier formation and launched an attack, then our plan would be useless." Marshal Lütjens said.

"Yes, Your Excellency Commander. If that's the case, then God has not blessed us. We can only try our best to resolve this meeting. As for whether it will be successful, we don't know. I hope God will bless us Let's go!" Lieutenant General Gerke said.

Marshal Lütjens nodded, he also made up his mind at this moment.

"The fleet immediately separated, the capital ship formation continued to move south, and the aircraft carrier formation accelerated to move eastward. The air search radar is ready. The carrier-based fighter jets are ready to take off to meet the enemy at any time. Be careful not to let the Americans and British follow our carrier-based aircraft. The position of our aircraft carrier formation!" Marshal Lütjens immediately issued an order.

"Yes, Your Excellency Commander." The local fleet immediately began to move.

The two formations of the German Navy's home fleet immediately separated. Under the protection of cruisers, destroyers and frigates, the 7 capital ships of the capital ship formation quickly headed south. Under the protection of cruisers, destroyers and frigates, the eight aircraft carriers in the aircraft carrier formation increased their speed to 30 knots and sailed eastward at high speed.

Although, thirty knots is not slow. But compared to the speed of the aircraft at hundreds of kilometers per hour, this is nothing. The distance traveled by the fleet in an hour is only ten minutes for the plane. In this way, once the carrier-based aircraft of the US and British fleets launch a pursuit, they can easily catch up.

It's just that, after the carrier-based aircraft of the US and British fleets discover the capital ship formations of the German Navy's home fleet, will they turn a blind eye and directly give up attacking these capital ships, and continue to search until they find the German Navy's aircraft carrier formation Then attack again. If this is the case, then the German Navy's home fleet plan has come to naught.

No matter how the US and British fleets choose their carrier opportunities, the German Navy's home fleet must choose such a strategy in order to save itself. In this case, there will be a chance of survival.

On the battleship Kaiser, the flagship of the battleship formation, Lieutenant General Gerke looked serious. He knew that soon the capital ship formation he was leading would have to face a life-and-death battle. If it is not done well, the entire army will even be wiped out.

"General Rudolph, do any officers and soldiers in the formation resent me for making such a choice?" Lieutenant General Gerke asked. After all, his unsolicited suggestion put the entire battleship formation into a desperate situation.

"General, no one has the slightest complaint. We are all German soldiers, and it is only right to sacrifice for the empire. What's more, we may not necessarily die. The capital ship formation has dozens of warships, large and small. Every warship has powerful anti-aircraft firepower. It is not so easy for the carrier-based planes of the Americans and the British to sink us. Even under our powerful anti-aircraft firepower, they will be smashed to the head .After we consume the carrier-based aircraft of the Americans and the British, it will be time for our aircraft carrier formation to launch a counterattack. At that time, there will be no problem if the Americans and the British are severely damaged. The victors will still be us!" Major General Rudolph said.

Lieutenant General Gerke nodded: "For the German Empire, we must sacrifice. I also firmly believe that we will be able to win this battle. His Majesty the Great Emperor will lead us to defeat one enemy after another and dominate the world international."

The aircraft carrier formation is transferring at a high speed. On the deck, a carrier-based FW-190 fighter jet is lifted to the deck by an elevator. Before the planes were lifted onto the deck, they were fueled and ammunition loaded. The pilot has also climbed into the cockpit, making the plane ready to take off.

All those parked on the deck of the aircraft carrier are fighter jets. Such a state is entirely for air defense considerations. Once the carrier-based aircraft groups of the US Navy and the British Navy are found, these carrier-based fighter jets will take off to meet the enemy. There are a total of 316 carrier-based FW-190 fighters on the eight aircraft carriers of the German Navy's

home fleet. Once these carrier-based fighters are all launched, the combat effectiveness will be very powerful. Under their interception, it is not known how many carrier-based opportunities of the US Navy and the British Navy will be shot down. In this case, the threat posed by the carrier-based aircraft of the US and British fleets to the German Navy's home fleet will undoubtedly be much smaller.

In the sky, a large number of carrier-based aircraft launched by the US and British fleets formed a huge fleet and flew towards the position of the German Navy's home fleet. Hundreds of planes filled the sky, covering the sky and blocking out the sun, even blocking the sun's rays, leaving a large shadow on the sea.

All the carrier-based aircraft pilots of the U.S. Navy and the British Navy received orders before takeoff to try their best to sink the warships of the German Navy's home fleet and destroy the entire German Navy's home fleet.

The carrier-based aircraft pilots of the US and British navies also believed that they took off so many carrier-based aircraft. Once the German Navy's home fleet is discovered, they can definitely be killed.

A light cruiser in the capital ship formation of the German Navy's Home Fleet, located to the west of the fleet capital ship. The air search radar of this light cruiser was the first to discover the carrier aircraft groups of the US and British navies 300 kilometers away.

The shrill air defense siren sounded immediately. All the officers and soldiers of the entire battleship formation couldn't help feeling tense. They knew that they were about to face a tough battle next. It is not even known how many people will die in this battle. However, in order to win the final victory, they must sacrifice.

"Order the fleet to enter the air defense alert state! Everyone enters their posts and prepares for battle!" Lieutenant General Gerke issued the order with a serious face.

"Yes, General." Major General Rudolph replied.

The entire capital ship formation of the German Navy's home fleet has been seriously awaited, ready to deal with the attack of the carrier-based aircraft of the US Navy and the British Navy. A door of anti-aircraft guns has been pointed at the sky. Once they find the carrier-based aircraft of the US and British navies, they will open fire immediately. Use intensive anti-aircraft firepower to shoot down the carrier-based aircraft of the US and British navies.

Soon, the air search radar of the German Navy aircraft carrier formation also discovered the carrier aircraft groups of the US and British Navy.

"Take off the carrier-based fighter jets immediately and try our best to intercept the American and British carrier-based aircraft. Do your best to keep the capital ship formation." Marshal Lütjens ordered.

"Yes, Your Excellency, Commander!" Lieutenant General Hans, the commander of the aircraft carrier formation, replied.

After the order was issued, the eight aircraft carriers of the German Navy's home fleet began to take off fighter jets.

One after another, carrier-based FW-190 fighter jets soared into the sky. After forming a formation over the fleet, they rushed towards the carrier-based aircraft formation of the US and British fleets.

In order to ensure that the position of the aircraft carrier formation is not exposed, these carrier-based aircraft will first fly south, then turn west, and after flying over the capital ship formation, go to intercept the carrier-based aircraft group of the US and British fleets.

The carrier-based fighter pilots of the German Navy's home fleet also know that they must work hard in the air this time. Otherwise, their fleet will suffer heavy losses.

Under the guidance of the air search radar, the carrier-based fighter group of the German Navy directly killed the carrier-based aircraft group of the US and British navies. A large-scale air battle will begin immediately.

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"Fire!" The commander of the German carrier-based fighter gave the order.

"Boom boom boom!"

The 316 German carrier-based fighters immediately launched an attack. The 20mm cannons on the wings started firing. Cannonballs roared and flew into the ranks of the US and British naval carrier-based aircraft.

At this moment, countless carrier-based aircraft of the US and British navies were hit, burning and falling into the sea. Some carrier-based aircraft were even torn to pieces by shells and disintegrated in the air.

"Get ready to fight! Fighters hold down the German fighters and cover the breakthrough of the dive bombers and torpedo attack planes. The German anti-aircraft fighters have appeared, and their fleet should not be far away!" The carrier-based aircraft commander of the US and British Navy ordered.

"Yes, sir!" Countless carrier-based aircraft pilots of the US and British navies replied.

Although, the surprise attack of the German Navy's carrier-based fighter jets caused heavy losses to the carrier-based aircraft fleet of the US and British navies. Dozens of various aircraft were shot down in this attack. However, the carrier-based aircraft pilots of the US and British navies were not intimidated, and still mustered up their courage to face the Germans.

Especially those F4U fighter jets bravely charged towards the German army, trying to hold back the carrier-based fighter jets of the German Navy. Although these F4U fighters are not as good as the German carrier-based FW-190 fighters in terms of performance, they are even more disadvantaged in number. But they are still very brave. The fighter pilots of the U.S. and British navies knew that if they could not hold back these carrier-based fighter jets of the German navy, they could easily shoot down the dive bombers and torpedo attack aircraft of the U.S. and British navies. At that time, I am afraid that they will all be slaughtered.

"Da da da! Boom boom boom!"

A fierce air battle ensued, and nearly a thousand carrier-based aircraft from both sides engaged in a life-and-death fight over this sea area. The dive bombers and torpedo attack aircraft

of the US and British navies accelerated desperately, trying to break through and get rid of the pursuit of the German navy's carrier-based aircraft. Those F4U fighters fought bravely against the carrier-based fighters of the German Navy.

Fighters are shot down almost every moment. The F4U fighter jets of the US and British navies can barely fight against the German carrier-based FW-190 fighter jets. However, there is not only a gap in fighter performance between the two sides, but also a gap in pilot quality. This made the **** fighter jets of the US and British navies completely suppressed in the air battle, and fighter jets were shot down continuously.

As for those SBD2 dive bombers and TBD torpedo attack aircraft, they are not even the opponents of the German carrier-based fighter jets. These bombers are inherently inflexible, and after carrying heavy aerial bombs and heavy aerial torpedoes, they appear even more clumsy. Facing the carrier-based fighter jets of the German army, they could only be shot down.

"Boom boom!"

An SBD2 dive bomber was hit by a German carrier-based FW-190 fighter. The 20mm machine gun shells easily blasted holes the size of basketballs in the body. Even though the body structure of the SBD2 dive bomber is relatively strong, it was still hit and ignited a fire. The plane, dragging billowing smoke, crashed into the sea.

"Damn it, why did the Germans deploy so many carrier-based fighter jets? Did they take off all the carrier-based fighter jets in the entire fleet?" A squadron leader of a US-British naval carrier-based aircraft had a bitter look on his face.

Facing the interception of more than 300 German carrier-based FW-190 fighter jets, the carrier-based aircraft fleets of the US and British navies simply cannot resist it! They could only watch helplessly as a large number of their carrier-based aircraft were shot down.

"Fighter units, do your best to stop the German carrier-based fighter jets! Dive bombers and torpedo attack aircraft speed up to break through!" The carrier-based aircraft commanders of the US and British navies can only issue such orders.

However, the carrier-based aircraft pilots of the US and British navies tried their best. But still in the situation of being slaughtered.

"Boom boom boom!"

An F4U fighter was hit by several 20mm cannon shells. Although the empty weight of the F4U fighter has reached more than 4 tons, it can be regarded as a heavy fighter in this era. The American fighter design philosophy is that they don't care about the aerodynamic shape. They believe that as long as the engine horsepower is strong enough, even a brick can still fly into the sky. This also makes the body structure of the U.S. fighter jets relatively strong. But even so, after being hit by the cannon shells of German fighter jets, they will still be torn to pieces.

The F4U fighter jet was blown to pieces during the explosion, and the pilot was killed before he even had time to parachute. The wreckage of the plane fell to the surface of the sea trailing thick smoke, splashing high water columns.

"Damn Germans, go to hell!" An F4U seized the opportunity and bit a carrier-based FW-190 fighter, and the pilot decisively pressed the launch button.

"Da da da!"

Six 12.7mm aviation machine guns fired crazily, and dense aerial bombs formed a firepower net, completely covering the German carrier-based FW-190 fighter jet inside.

In just a few seconds, the carrier-based FW-190 fighter was smashed into a sieve. After the engine was shot, a fire broke out. The pilot immediately parachuted to escape, but unfortunately he was not able to escape, but was hit by a stray bullet. The white umbrella flower slowly fell towards the sea surface with his body.

"Attention all squadrons, all squadrons! Half of the fighter jets have eliminated the American and British fighter jets, and the other fighter jets have fully attacked their dive bombers and torpedo attack planes. Our fleet is not far from here, we must hurry up Shoot down more enemy carrier-based aircraft!" The commander of the German army ordered.

In comparison, the dive bombers and torpedo attack aircraft of the US and British navies pose a greater threat to the German fleet. The heavy aviation armor-piercing bombs and heavy aviation torpedoes they carry can pose a fatal danger to German ships. Whether it is a capital ship or an aircraft carrier, once it is hit, it will suffer heavy damage or even be sunk.

"Yes, sir!" The German pilots replied one after another.

The battle became more fierce. The German pilots fought bravely with their fighters, trying to eliminate all the carrier-based aircraft of the Americans and the British. However, the American pilots and British pilots also performed very bravely and tenaciously. They tried hard to break through the interception of the German carrier-based aircraft, so as to attack the German fleet.

Although fighter planes are shot down every moment, American pilots and British pilots are still working hard.

As time goes by, the battlefield is getting closer and closer to the German fleet.

Half an hour later, a US SBD2 dive bomber spotted the capital ship formation of the German Navy's home fleet driving on the sea.

"Sir, I found the German fleet. Seven battleships, this is their main fleet!" the pilot shouted excitedly.

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On the battleship "Kaiser", the flagship of the capital ship formation of the German Navy's home fleet, all officers and soldiers have entered a state of combat readiness. In particular, the sailors in charge of the anti-aircraft artillery positions have already arrived at their respective posts.

Not only the battleship "Caesar" is ready for air defense, but other battleships in the capital ship formation, whether they are capital ships or cruisers, as well as those destroyers and frigates, have also entered the mode of air defense operations.

The anti-aircraft guns and anti-aircraft machine guns are all aimed at the sky. Once the carrier-based aircraft of the US and British navies launch an attack on the fleet, they will use sharp anti-aircraft artillery fire to cause the US and British navies to pay heavy losses.

"General, the air battle is very fierce. Our carrier-based fighter jets are fighting desperately with the Americans and British. A large number of American and British carrier-based aircraft are being shot down by us. In front of our carrier-based FW-190 fighter jets, the carrier-based aircraft of the Americans and the British are vulnerable." Major General Rudolf said.

Lieutenant General Gerke nodded: "The carrier-based aircraft force also hopes to weaken the strength of the carrier-based aircraft of the US and British navies as much as possible, so as to protect us and ensure our safety. However, the American and British aircraft groups are too powerful. It is also very difficult for our air defense fighters to completely stop them. In the end, we still have to rely on our own air defense firepower."

"General, all the ships are ready for battle. Once the American and British carrier-based planes attack us, they will definitely be hit by our intensive anti-aircraft fire." Lu Major General Dove is very confident.

"I hope so! Even if all our warships are sunk, the American and British carrier-based aircraft must be consumed as much as possible. Only in this way can the aircraft carrier formation be able to launch a counterattack and severely damage the US Navy and the British Navy in one fell swoop. "Lieutenant General Gerke said.

Of course, Lieutenant General Gerke's real worry is that the carrier-based aircraft forces of the US and British navies will let go of their capital ship formations and continue to look for aircraft carrier formations. In that case, their plan would fail. In that case, the local fleet will pay an unimaginable price. There is even no chance of a comeback.

"I hope the Americans and the British will attack us directly!" Lieutenant General Gerke secretly prayed to God.

"General, the carrier-based aircraft groups of the US and British navies are only tens of kilometers away from us." A staff officer reported.

"The fleet is on combat readiness." Lieutenant General Gerke ordered.

"Yes, General."

After the order was issued, all the officers and soldiers of the entire fleet were fully motivated. Everyone is very clear that the next battle will be related to the life and death of the fleet and themselves. Therefore, in the next battle, they must work hard. Only in this way, they may be able to withstand the fierce attack of the carrier-based aircraft forces of the US and British navies and gain a chance of life.

Although, under the fierce attack of the German carrier-based fighter jets, the carrier-based aircraft of the US and British fleets suffered heavy losses. However, when they discovered the capital ship formation of the German Navy's home fleet sailing on the sea, they still cheered.

"Launch an attack and kill those German warships!" The carrier-based aircraft commander of the US and British fleets issued an order.

"Fighters cover, dive bombers and torpedo attack aircraft attack!"

After receiving the order, the carrier-based aircraft groups of the US and British navies began to rush towards the German fleet.

"Let our fighter jets evacuate, and the next battle will be handed over to us!" Lieutenant General Gerke ordered.

At this time, if one's own fighter jets also rush in, they may be accidentally injured by the battleship's anti-aircraft fire. Therefore, at this time, it is undoubtedly the best choice for one's own fighter jets to withdraw.

The carrier-based FW-190 fighter jets of the German army withdrew from the battlefield one after another. In the next battle, they can no longer help, it depends on the fleet's own anti-aircraft firepower.

However, fortunately at this time, the fleet's air search radar has discovered the second wave of the US and British navies that departed ahead of schedule. Therefore, under the guidance of the air search radar, these carrier-based FW-190 fighter jets rushed to the second wave of the US and British navies.

After encountering the interception of the German carrier-based fighter jets and suffering heavy losses, Admiral Ernest King, commander of the combined fleet of the US and British Navy, ordered the second wave of aircraft to take off ahead of schedule. He hoped to combine the strength of two batches of carrier-based aircraft, more than 1,200 carrier-based aircraft, to crush the German Navy's home fleet in one fell swoop and win this naval battle.

"Fire!"

The German air defense commander gave the order to fire.

"Boom! Boom! Boom!"

The 105mm high-level dual-purpose guns of each door started the shelling first, and the shells roared and fired at the aircraft fleet of the US and British navies more than ten kilometers away.

These shells are very powerful. Every time a shell explodes, it leaves a cloud of black smoke in the air. The shrapnel shot out in all directions, and the surrounding aircraft of the US and British navies were riddled with holes.

The carrier-based aircraft of the US and British navies were constantly hit by the anti-aircraft fire of the German fleet, and the fighter planes dragged thick smoke and fell to the sea. Even, some carrier-based aircraft were directly hit by 105mm anti-aircraft gun shells. The powerful power can directly tear the carrier-based aircraft of the US and British navies into pieces.

It's just that although the 105mm anti-aircraft gun is very powerful, it has a slow rate of fire. At the same time, there are relatively few such large-caliber anti-aircraft guns equipped on battleships, which cannot pose a fatal threat to the carrier-based aircraft of the US and British navies.

Battleships are equipped with more small and medium-caliber anti-aircraft guns. This is the main anti-aircraft firepower against the enemy.

Soon, the fleet's 88mm anti-aircraft guns also fired. The firepower of these anti-aircraft guns is also very powerful.

"Damn! Why is the German anti-aircraft firepower so powerful? At such a long distance, they can pose such a big threat to us!"

In the long distance, carrier-based aircraft have been shot down continuously. This made the carrier-based aircraft pilots of the US and British navies feel a little nervous.

Countless carrier-based aircraft of the US and British navies spread out and rushed towards the capital ship formation of the German Navy's home fleet at high speed.

"Boom boom boom!"

Soon, the fleet's 40mm anti-aircraft guns and 20mm anti-aircraft guns joined the shooting. This means that the carrier-based aircraft groups of the US and British navies have arrived above the fleet. The real battle begins from this moment.

"Attack, sink the German warship!" Numerous carrier-based aircraft pilots of the US and British navies roared loudly, driving their fighter planes to launch an attack.

Chapter 1640

"Boom boom! Da da da!"

The anti-aircraft firepower on the warships of the main fleet of the German Navy's home fleet was firing violently, and the dense anti-aircraft firepower formed a network of anti-aircraft firepower over the fleet. It is undoubtedly very difficult for the carrier-based aircraft of the US and British navies to break through their air defense firepower network and attack those warships. After many carrier-based aircraft of the US and British navies broke into the air defense firepower network of the German fleet, they were torn to pieces.

"Asshole, fighter cover!"

The F4U fighter jets of the U.S. and British navies shuttled nimbly through the air defense firepower network, as if they might be hit at any time, which seemed extremely thrilling.

Several 20mm anti-aircraft guns launched intensive firepower against it, but still failed to hit the target.

"Idiot, forget about those fighter jets! Shooting down those dive bombers and torpedo attack planes is the first priority."

Indeed, for the huge warships on the sea, unless those fighter jets launch a suicidal attack, they will not pose any threat to them at all. In contrast, the threat posed by dive bombers and torpedo attack aircraft is even greater.

"Go to hell, German!"

Four SBD2 dive bombers launched an attack on the German battleship "Kaiser". Bombs were dropped at a height of six or seven hundred meters above the sea. Aerial bombs weighing a thousand pounds slammed into the German battleships.

It's just that, unfortunately, these bombs all fell into the sea. Although a high water column was splashed, it did not cause the slightest damage to the battleship.

"Damn it!" Seeing this scene, the American pilots cursed.

Although, during normal training, they may do well, and they can easily hit the target ship. However, in a real battle, it is not so easy to hit the target. In the face of dense anti-aircraft firepower, it is difficult for pilots to fire calmly and calmly as in usual training. After all, those sharp anti-aircraft firepower are enough to tear their fighter planes to pieces.

"Idiots, you dropped the bomb too early. Dive to a height of 500 meters and then drop the bomb!" The squadron leader cursed.

"Boom boom boom!"

The anti-aircraft firepower of the German fleet opened fire crazily, and every air defense soldier tried his best. With all their strength, they fired shells into the sky, hoping to shoot down the enemy's planes and protect their warships.

"Boom!"

A dive bomber was hit by intensive anti-aircraft fire, and the entire plane was torn to pieces in the explosion.

Although the attack of the carrier-based aircraft groups of the US and British navies was very violent, under the attack of the intensive anti-aircraft firepower of the German army, the losses were very large. Carrier-based aircraft were continuously shot down, but the results achieved were very small.

"The torpedo attack aircraft and the dive bomber cooperate with each other and act together!" The commanders of the carrier-based aircraft groups of the US and British navies, seeing this situation, could not help but issue orders again and adjust their tactics.

Several TBD torpedo attack aircraft launched an attack on the battleship "Frederick the Great" from the flank. These torpedo attack aircraft descended and then prepared to release their torpedoes.

"There are enemy torpedo planes on the left, kill them!" The air defense commander on the left side of the battleship discovered this threat and immediately issued an order.

Several 88mm anti-aircraft guns, more 40mm anti-aircraft guns and 20mm anti-aircraft guns, launched an attack.

"Boom boom boom!"

Intensive artillery fire enveloped the few torpedo attack aircraft.

A TBD torpedo attack aircraft was hit on the spot, and the entire aircraft was torn to pieces in the explosion.

The remaining four TBD torpedo attack aircraft successfully released the torpedoes. However, when the two TBD torpedo attack aircraft were pulled up, they were hit by anti-aircraft fire. The body structure was severely damaged, and it fell into the sea.

Four 533mm heavy torpedoes rushed towards the battleship "Frederick the Great" at high speed.

"A torpedo is found on the left, avoid it!"

The battleship "Frederick the Great" immediately began to turn, trying to avoid these torpedoes. Although the lightning protection measures of the "Frederick the Great" are in place, it is an old warship that has been in service for more than 20 years. Once hit by a 533mm heavy torpedo, it will definitely be severely damaged. Therefore, finding ways to avoid these torpedoes is the most critical.

The huge battleship began to turn in an emergency, and the huge centrifugal force even threw some unsuspecting sailors into the sea. The entire battleship is like a huge bison, going crazy on the sea.

At this time, several SBD2 dive bombers also launched an attack. A squadron leader of the US military personally led the team to launch the attack.

"Steady, steady!" Despite the fierce anti-aircraft fire, countless anti-aircraft shells exploded around them. But the squadron leader of the US military was still loudly instructing those pilots.

"Bomb!"

The squadron leader gave the order to drop the bomb only when it was only 500 meters above the sea.

Four heavy aviation armor-piercing shells weighing one thousand pounds hit the battleship 'Frederick the Great'.

At this moment, the battleship "Frederick the Great" is mainly focused on avoiding torpedoes on the sea. For aerial bombs falling from the sky, it is somewhat powerless.

"Boom!"

A violent explosion sounded, and an aerial bomb hit the front deck of the 'Frederick the Great'. Deck armor was penetrated and bombs exploded inside the battleship.

Fire and smoke rushed into the sky.

"Great, I hit the German warship!" An American pilot yelled excitedly.

However, tragedy is often staged at this time. When he pulled up the fighter plane, an 88mm anti-aircraft gun shell hit the SBD2 dive bomber. The huge power immediately tore the SBD2 diving battleship into pieces. The pilot was also killed on the spot.

It's just that no one cares about the death of a pilot. In such a tragic war, people are killed every moment. Either the sailors of the German Navy were killed, or the pilots of the carrier-based aircraft of the US and British Navy were shot down.

"Boom boom! Da da da!"

Although the attacks of the carrier-based aircraft groups of the US and British navies were very fierce, their attacks did not achieve much results. On the contrary, the anti-aircraft firepower of the German fleet shot down many carrier-based aircraft of the US and British navies.

The seven capital ships of the German Navy's home fleet are all guarded in the center by cruisers and destroyers. This caused the carrier-based aircraft of the US and British navies, which directly attacked these capital ships, to be hit by anti-aircraft fire from all directions. As a result,

they were often shot down by intensive anti-aircraft fire before they had time to drop bombs, let alone sink the capital ships of the German Navy.