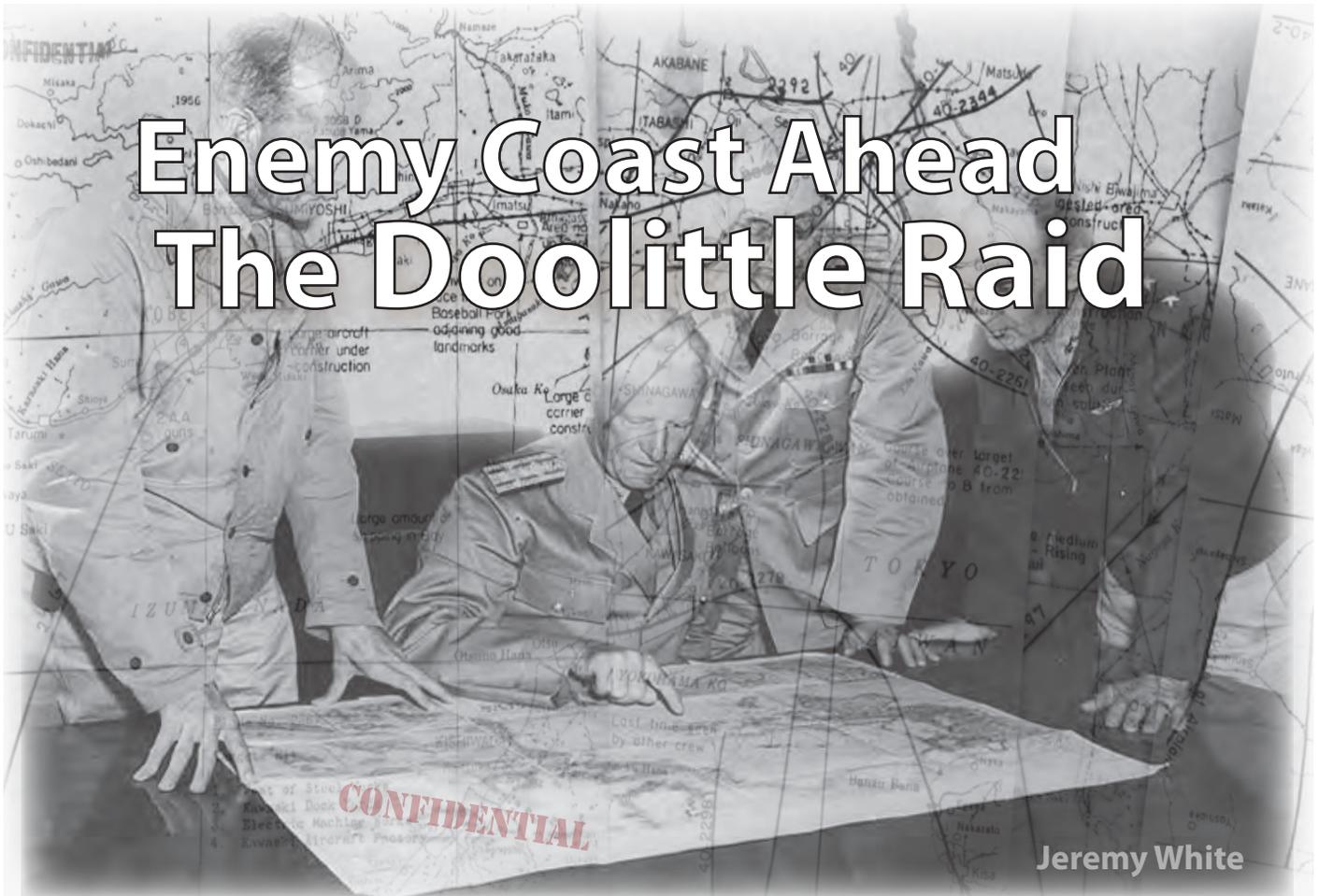


Enemy Coast Ahead The Doolittle Raid



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debriefing manual

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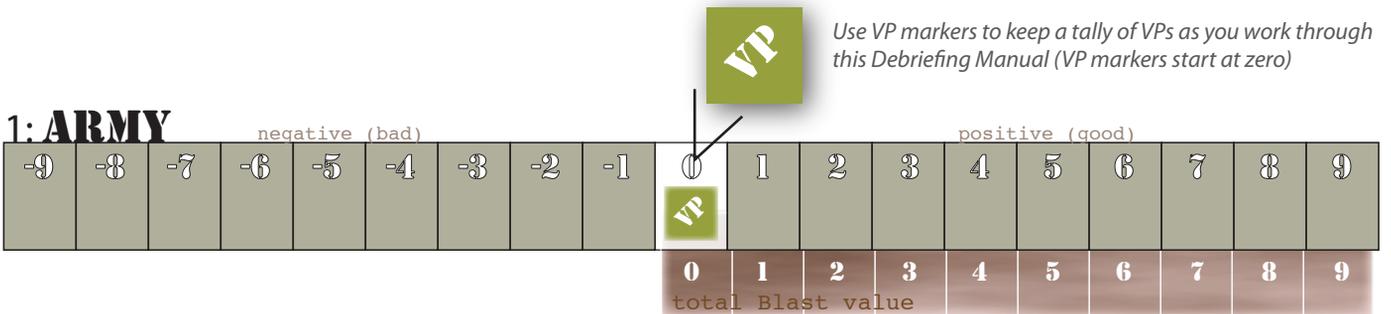
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DEBRIEFING

After completing the Denouement segment of the game, determine the mission's outcome using this manual. This is mandatory for Scenario 10, and for scenarios 7-9 too if you played Denouement. Do not use this manual unless you play Denouement.

Debriefing happens as a five stage narrative, each stage assessing how the mission was received by a particular stakeholder (the Army, for example, or the White House). Several steps are necessary to complete each stage. By the end of the process you should have a picture of the raid, its outcome, and implications for the future course of the war.

Procedure: Proceed through this manual in its entirety, page by page. Each has one or more sections posing questions about game play. Each "answer" may only be a positive or negative number, called a "Victory Point," a tool used to help gauge interpretation of the events. *For example, A1 on page 2 is asking about the fate of the bombers. How many are in Chungking? Historically there were 16 B-25s loaded onto the carrier deck and none made it to Chungking, so the answer would be "-5 VP."* As you proceed, note the results on scratch paper, or use the Debriefing Log provided on the back of this booklet (you are welcome to copy it). Alternatively, you may find it helpful to use the 8.5"x11" player aid and VP markers (shown here), but that is optional.



Results: In many cases the VP number is associated with notes that expand on the results. The VP of each section is totaled together to generate a general measure of success pertaining to that section, and the stakeholder it represents. In some cases the result of one table or Debriefing section will influence the outcome of another. Historical results, where given, are boxed.

1: ARMY

Determine how the Army's high command perceived the mission. It is concerned with the integrity of the squadron as a fighting force (the fate of its aircraft and its crews). It is also greatly interested in the effectiveness of the bombing.

A1. Fate of B-25s

total number of B-25s landed in Chungking, Vladivostok, and Pearl Harbor*

		0	1-4	5-7	8-10	11-14	15-17	18-20
number of B-25s on the Carrier Deck	20	-8	-5	-4	-2	2	4	5
	18-19	-6	-4	-2	0	3	4	5
	16-17	-5	-3	-1	1	4	5	
	14-15	-4	-2	0	3	5	5	
	11-13	-3	0	2	4	5		
	1-10	-2	1	3	5			

* If B-25s launched for Midway, they automatically landed there, and then refueled and continued on to Pearl Harbor where they landed without incident.

A2. Fate of Crews

total number of Crew markers in Chungking, USSR, and Pearl Harbor

		0	1	2-5	6-7	8-10	11-14	15-17	18-20
number of B-25s on the Carrier Deck	20	-10	-8	-5	-3	0	2	4	5
	18-19	-9	-7	-4	-2	2	3	4	5
	16-17	-8	-6	-3	-1	3	4	5	
	14-15	-7	-5	-2	1	3	5	5	
	11-13	-6	-4	-1	2	4	5		
	1-10	-5	-3	0	3	5			

This result means Doolittle is not promoted. It negates all other instructions in this manual regarding his promotion.

Bombing Effectiveness

If B-25s launched for Midway or Pearl Harbor, ignore this page.

A3. Blast Value total Blast value of all Blast markers in Areas and Target Boxes

0	1	2-5	6-10	11-15	16-20	21-25	26-29	30-39	40-49	50+
-5	-4	-3	-2	-1	0	1 ^B	2 ^B	3 ^B	5 ^B	7 ^B

B → **Doolittle skips a rank:** This result does not guarantee his promotion. Rather, if another instruction/outcome in this manual indicates that he is promoted, his promotion will be to the rank of Brigadier General.

A4. Blasted Target Boxes Target Boxes with one or more Blast Markers

0	1	2	3	4	5	6-7	8-11	12-15	16-19	20
-5	-4	-3	-2	-1	0	1	3	4	5	7

A5. Blasted Areas

Areas with one or more Blast Markers (include Blast markers in Target Boxes)

0	1	2	3	4	5	6-7	8-10	11-14	15-18	19
-5	-4	-3	-2	-1	0	1	2	3	4	5

A6. Significant Damage Target Boxes with Blast value of 3 or more

0	1	2	3	4	5	6-10	11-14	15+
-5	-3	-1	1	2	4	6	10	12

The result for **A6** can be shifted to the right for the two items below. Two shifts right maximum, once for A and once for B. If this would shift the result off the chart, award 15 VP for **A6**:

A. Ryuho and/or Hiyo

If a Target Box containing the *Ryuho* or *Hiyo* (Hazard marker) has a Blast marker in it, shift the result of **A6** one box to the right.

B. Obliterated Targets

If a Target Box has a Blast Value of 8 or more, shift the result for **A6** one box to the right.

A7. Norden Bombsight

Ignore A7 if B-25s were not equipped with the Norden bombsight.

	yes	no
A B-25 was destroyed on a Target Map.	-3	0
A B-25 ditched in a Flight Zone with a target/landing box.	-2	0

Hap Arnold's Assessment

Army VP Total (A1-A7)

-5 or worse	-1 to -4	0-10	11-17	18-24	25+
scapegoat	failure	worth it?	Hap is happy	splendid	key to victory

scapegoat

If Doolittle survives and the Army VP total was -10 or worse, his conduct is deemed wanting. If the VP total was -15 or worse all mention of the raid is kept a secret (Japanese radio broadcasts of an American debacle are down played).

failure

General "Hap" Arnold reports to General Marshall, the head of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, that the mission failed to achieve its objectives.

worth it?

General Arnold dismisses further discussion of attacking Japan from the air until a strong foothold in China is established from which long range bombers can be based. The investment in time and material was not worth the effort of this raid.

Hap is happy

General "Hap" Arnold encourages the Joint Chiefs of Staff to build up air assets in China to hit Japanese cities from the air in a sustained campaign. He is also amenable to the idea of putting medium bombers on an aircraft carrier again, but only if the Navy can assure him that it can deliver. He is eager to award promotions to survivors of the mission, starting with Doolittle.

splendid

General Arnold is ecstatic. Promotions are awarded to Doolittle (if he survived), and others, as recommended by Doolittle himself. He lobbies General George Marshall, commander of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, to build up air assets in China.

key to victory

Doolittle is promoted to Brigadier General and given command of a department specializing in long range carrier based raids. Not willing to wait for a build up of air assets in China, General Arnold is convinced this attack can and should be repeated as soon as possible. If more than ten B-25s landed in China, he lobbies the Joint Chiefs of Staff to use this method of raid not only to wreak destruction over Japan, but to build up the Army's air assets in China. If Doolittle flew on the mission, Arnold writes a letter to President Roosevelt commending Doolittle's leadership, urging him to recommend the Medal of Honor.

2: NAVY

The B-25s and its crews were carried and protected by the United States Navy. Determine how the Navy's high command perceived the mission and its cooperative experience with the Army. The high command is concerned mainly with the integrity of its force (the task force), the execution of its mission, and the destruction of targets of opportunity.

Tally the VP (Navy Ships, Mission Execution, and Targets of Opportunity) to derive a total. Use that total to assess the mood of Admiral Nimitz (in charge of the Pacific fleet).

N1. Navy Ships

	number of sunk American ships					number of damaged American ships				
	0	1	2	3	4+	0	1	2	3	4+
DD	0	-1	-2	-3	-5	0	0	-1	-2	-3
CL or CA	0	-3	-5	-7	-10	1	0	-1	-3	-5
AO	0	-8	-12			1*	-1	-2		
CV	0	-10	-15			3**	-2	-5		
submarine	0	-1	-3	-5						

* Reduce to zero if an AO was sunk

** Reduce to zero if a CV was sunk

A Submarine can be sunk only if the target of an Airstrike.

N2. Mission Execution

	yes	no
Task Force was delayed? (Scenario 10 only; Scenario 9 = "no")	-1	1
Rendezvoused in the Sea Area with the Planned RV marker?	1	-3
Rendezvoused on the turn with the Planned RV Turn marker?	1	-2
Launched in Planned Launch marker's Sea Area (or west of it)?	1	-3
1 or more B-25s crashed on carrier deck attempting to launch.	-3	0

N3. Targets of Opportunity

	yes	no
Destroyed Japanese boat or I-boat hazard? If an I-Boat was removed via Reaction, it is considered "destroyed."	1 each	0
Sunk Japanese ship via airstrike?	2 each (5 if an aircraft carrier)	0

Nimitz's Assessment

Navy VP Total

-11 or worse	-10 to -1	0 to 5	6 to 10	11 or better
catastrophe	frustrating	risky	well done	victory

catastrophe

Nimitz informs Fleet Admiral Ernest King that he can no longer ensure a line of communication to Australia. If the Imperial Japanese Navy asserts itself in the Solomons, he will be unwilling to contest them until he receives more carriers, cruisers, and other naval assets.

frustrating

If a United States CV or AO was sunk, treat this result as **catastrophe**. This mission hardly seemed worth the effort, given the resources and time diverted from raids elsewhere in Japan's maritime perimeter.

risky

Nimitz is relieved the mission is over. It could have been much worse and he is not sure this was worth the risk in Naval assets. If the task force entered a Defense sea area, the Navy did learn valuable information about Japan's picket line.

well done

Nimitz reads the reports with great interest, and offers congratulations to Captain Mitscher of the *USS Hornet* for a job well done.

victory

Nimitz is ecstatic. If a Japanese aircraft carrier was sunk, he informs Fleet Admiral King that this mission proved to be a serendipitous turning point. Posterity will see it as a decisive moment in the Pacific war. Nimitz insists on recommending Vice Admiral Halsey for a Distinguished Service Medal (or Mitscher, if TF-16 did not enter play).

3: JOINT CHIEFS

The Joint Chiefs of Staff was in a nascent state in April, and it had a lot riding on this mission. Back in December, President Roosevelt ordered an attack on Japan from the air, and very quickly it became a jointly planned operation. In particular, the Joint Chiefs are concerned about the security of the mission, the build up of Army bombers and crews in China against Japan, and the prospects of replicating this style of raid in the future. Is it feasible to load the army's medium bombers on an aircraft carrier and send it within launching distance of Tokyo? Does China now have the nucleus of a viable fighting air arm?

Tally the VP for Security, Build Up in China, and Raid Effectiveness. Use the total to assess the mood of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

C1. Security

Alert Level at Launch

0	1	2	3	4
5	3	0	-2	-5

If you did not play the Planning segment, the answer is "no."

Failed first Secrecy Test?

Was there an Airstrike?

yes	no
-1	5
-5	0

C2. Build Up in China

number of B-25s in Chungking

0	1-4	5-6	7-8	9-12	13-15	16-19	20
-5	-3	0	1	2	3	4	5

x2 if B-25s equipped with the Norden bombsight

INFRASTRUCTURE:

If 3 or more Landing Sites in China have Fuel in them, and there is 20 or more Fuel in China, shift the **C2** result one box to the right.

C3. Nordens in China

A B-25 with Norden bombsight was destroyed on a target map or ditched in a Flight Zone with a target/landing box?

yes	no
-3	0

C4. Raid Effectiveness

		Army VP total		
		+	0	-
Navy VP total	+	5	0	-3
	0	0	-3	-4
	-	-2	-4	-6

- +** positive VP total
(Scenario 7-8, Navy VP total is +)
- negative VP total

More Subtractions:

If a CV was sunk, deduct 1. If two CVs were sunk, deduct 3. For each AO sunk, deduct 1.

Example: If the Army VP total was positive (let's say it was 2 VP), and the Navy VP total was also positive (let's say it was 5 VP), then the result for C4 is 5 VP.

Joint Chief's Assessment

Joint Chief's VP total (C1-C4)

-11 or worse	-10 to -1	0 to 15	16 to 24	25
debacle	poorly executed	mission accomplished	objective achieved	turning point?

debacle

Nothing seemed to have gone right. If the Alert Level at launch was 2 or higher, General Marshall orders an investigation, and if the first Secrecy Test was failed, he finds a way to discretely inform Henry Stimson, the Secretary of War, that the mission was compromised in Washington.

poorly executed

A spirited argument breaks out between Fleet Admiral King and other members of the Joint Chiefs about which service was to blame. If the total Army VP was less than the total Navy VP, Lt. Colonel Doolittle is ordered before the next session of the Joint Chiefs to account for the mission's lack of success (if Doolittle is dead, interned, or captured, Arnold is brought instead). If the Navy VP is lower, Admiral Nimitz is taken to task. If he was briefed during the Planning segment, serious thought is given to replacing him.

mission accomplished

After a brief discussion involving Doolittle's promotion, the Joint Chiefs set the mission reports aside and get on with the business of fighting a multi-front global war.

objective achieved

The mood of the Joint Chiefs is animated. The brass is particularly satisfied about how well the Army and Navy cooperated on this mission, and each encourages their chain of command to find opportunities for future joint operations.

turning point?

If the total Blast value on all target maps was 21 or more, the Joint Chiefs agree, after a spirited and contentious discussion, to divert Doolittle's squadron from its base in China to North Africa. The success of the mission indicated that assets can be soaked off from the Pacific. If that total is 20 or less, Doolittle is reassigned while his squadron gets to work pounding Japanese military targets in China and Burma.

4: WHITE HOUSE

President Roosevelt is keen to boost America's morale, looking for this raid to be the first good news of the five month old war. He is also concerned about the alliance with China and the Soviet Union (USSR). What effect will this raid have on his government's relationship with those two powers?

First, assess Roosevelt's mood as he interprets the news of the raid on the morale in the United States (Temperature at Home). Then, check the health of the United States' alliances with the Republic of China and the Soviet Union. Then, total all of the VP to find the President's overall assessment of the raid. Will he give his Shangri-la speech If the result is "encouraged" or better, he does.

"Shangri-la" is a fictitious place imagined by novelist James Hilton in his 1930s best seller, Lost Horizon. He described it as a strange valley lost to the world, where war is not known and its inhabitants lead blissful lives lasting centuries.

W1. Morale At Home Army VP Total (A1-A7) from page 4

negative	0	1-4	5	6-9	10-15	16-19	20
-5	-1 ●	0 ●	1 ★	3 ★	5 ★	7 ★	10 ★

Doolittle?

- If Doolittle flew on the mission and is not killed, captured, or interned, and unless overridden by the **P** result of A2, he is promoted to full Colonel. If not promoted here, other results in this book may promote him.
- ★ If Doolittle flew on the mission and is not killed, captured, or interned, he is promoted and awarded the Medal of Honor. If he did not fly on the mission, he is promoted. A **P** result in A2 will cancel the promotion but not the medal.

	yes	no
W2. Ordnance was dropped on Tokyo (at least 1 Blast marker)?	5	0
W3. One or more Japanese aircraft carriers were sunk?	5	0
W4. One or more United States CV was sunk?	-5	0
W5. A B-25 was destroyed on a Target Map?	-3	0
W6. Doolittle was killed, interned, or missing in action?	-2	0
W7. Doolittle was captured by the Japanese?	-5	0

Use the total (W1-W7) to measure the "Temperature at Home," before determining the health of alliances.

Temperature at Home

total Morale At Home VP (W1-W7)

-11 or worse	-10 to -1	0 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 19	20
fatalistic and paranoid	scared and angry	encouraged	inspired	elated	triumphant

fatalistic and paranoid

The list of defeats seem endless: Pearl Harbor, Guam, Wake, Bataan, and now this debacle. Sightings of Japanese submarines and hysterical reports of lone aircraft off the Pacific coast occupy law enforcement almost every night, and gun dealers do a brisk business.

Meanwhile, February's Executive Order 9066 is amended to encompass the entirety of the United States, as the project to round up Japanese Americans is hastened. If captured American prisoners are tried and executed by the Japanese, roll **two dice**: if the sum is less than the number of Crew markers executed, an internment camp in the California desert is broken into by vigilantes. Inmates are beaten, some die, and some escape, intensifying the mood of paranoia.

Scared and angry

The Doolittle Raid is added to the list of defeats: Pearl Harbor, Guam, Wake, Bataan. Sightings of Japanese submarines and reports of lone aircraft off the Pacific coast occupy law enforcement almost every night.

The internment of Japanese Americans is zealously hastened. If captured American prisoners are tried and executed by the Japanese, roll **three dice**: if the sum is less than the number of Crew markers executed, an internment camp in the California desert is broken into by vigilantes. Inmates are beaten and some die.

encouraged

The president's fireside chat is sprinkled with the words "sacrifice" and "strain" and "test", revisiting the tone of his first broadcast following Pearl Harbor when he urged listeners to realize that "we are all in it, all the way, every one of us." And yet, there is an unmistakable sense of relief in the coming days. Even radio showman Bob Hope takes time out to say "This is only the beginning, Tojo." In the coming weeks columnists in dozens of newspapers will mention the raid as the start of something bigger.

Meanwhile, the internment of Japanese Americans continues, as camps are established in the California, Nevada, and Arizona deserts, and places farther east.

inspired

Although President Roosevelt's fireside chat on Sunday is cautious, radio broadcasts strike a more positive tone. Newspaper columnists certainly seem to think the news from the Pacific is good. In the coming months author James Hilton, now working for Frank Capra in Hollywood, is unexpectedly delighted to receive increased royalties for his book *Lost Horizon*.

elated

President Roosevelt's fireside chat is positively animated, and radio broadcasters follow suit. If Doolittle survived the mission, he and a handful of other airmen spend months touring stateside. Honored and decorated as heroes, they sell war bonds.

triumphant

Radio broadcasters offer hyperbolic pronouncements about the war having turned around. Even the usually restrained print journalist Walter Lippman refers to the Tokyo Raid as a decisive blow. President Roosevelt's next three fireside chats are distinctly positive, but he concludes each with a cautious note: "This war is far from over. There is much work yet to accomplish."

Health of Alliances: China

H1. Reinforcing Stilwell B-25s in Chungking

0	1-3	4-5	6-7	8-10	11-15	16-19	20
-3	-1	0	1	2	3	4	5

"By mid-January (1942), the Air War Plans Division had already advanced plans to establish a major fighting air command – the 10th Air Force – in Burma to support the Allied effort against the ever-encroaching Japanese on the Chinese mainland. Operation Aquila was to be launched to establish an advanced detachment that would be the nucleus for the eventual buildup of American air power in China. There were to be five separate but related projects in this initial buildup...(starting with) the flight of B-25s to be dispatched from a carrier..."

- James Doolittle, I Could Never Be So Lucky Again.

H2. Blast Value Total total Blast value of all Blast markers in Areas and Target Boxes

0	1-5	6-10	11-15	16-19	20+
0	1	2	3	4	5 

 If the total Blast Value is 20 or more, and at least 10 B-25s landed or ditched in China, Chiang is furious. He cables the U.S. State Department that "Japanese troops are attacking the coastal areas where the B-25s landed, slaughtering every man, woman, and child."

yes	no
-5	0
-1	0

H3. One or more Landing Sites in China were attacked by Japan?

H4. One or more Crew markers were captured by the Japanese?

Health of Alliance with China: Assessment

Health of Alliance (China) VP total (H1-H4)

-9	-8 to -1	0 to 5	6 to 9	10
paper	weak	okay	good	strong

paper When General Stilwell visits Chiang Kai-Shek's headquarters in Chungking, Madame Chiang spitefully mutters something about an alliance as thin as rice paper.

weak General Chiang has no interest in assisting Allied forces in Burma, until the Japanese pushing out of Shanghai and Nanking are dealt with first.

okay General Chiang is frustrated. If he was not briefed, treat this result as **weak**.

good General Chiang is delighted. If Doolittle is in Chungking, Chiang awards him a medal, taking it impromptu from around the neck of one of his own generals.

strong General Stilwell has Chiang Kai-Shek's undivided attention.

Health of Alliances: USSR

H5. Tokyo Bombed

Blast value of all Blast markers in Areas and Target Boxes on the Tokyo Map

0-5	6-10	11-19	20+
x0	x1	x2	x3

Result is a multiplier for "B-25s in the USSR"

H6. B-25s in the USSR

B-25s in Vladivostok Do not count those that crash landed.

	0	1-5	6-10	11-15	16-19	20
Landing Agreed	0	1	2	3	4	5
Landing not agreed	0	-1	-2	-3	-4	-5

Example: if H5 is x2, and Stalin agreed to a landing, and there are 4 B-25s in Vladivostok, then H6 is 2.

H7. Internment

Ignore if B-25s did not land in Vladivostok.

Crew markers imprisoned (after passage)

	0	1-5	6-10	11-15	16-19	20
Landing Agreed	0	-1	-2	-3	-4	-5
Landing not agreed	5	3	0	-1	-2	-3

	yes	no
H8. B-25 interned with Norden bombsight?	-1*	0
H9. Doolittle interned?	-3	0

* If a B-25 equipped with a Norden bombsight was interned, roll a die: if EVEN, no additional effect, if ODD, crews are not released (this may overturn the USSR Passage Check during the Denouement segment).

Health of Alliance with USSR: Assessment

Health of Alliance (USSR) VP total (H5-H9)

-10 or worse	-9 to -1	0 to 5	6 to 15
strained	awkward	normal (not great)	encouraging

strained

Prime Minister Winston Churchill can't believe American bombers brazenly flaunted the Neutrality Pact. What was Roosevelt thinking? It will take a long time to repair the diplomatic damage. As the Soviet Army braces for the Wehrmacht's impending summer offensive, he encourages the American President to offer some kind of concession to Stalin: air assets to Archangel perhaps, or maybe raids against Germany's oil assets in Rumania? Meanwhile, if Crews were released as the result of a Passage Check, they are imprisoned by the Soviets instead.

awkward

President Roosevelt insists on talking to Premier Stalin personally. The resulting telephone conversation would prove one of the more memorable of the President's third term in office.

normal

The Soviet Union continues to be an important but cold ally to the United States.

encouraging

President Roosevelt cables Premier Stalin his gratitude. He then remarks to his secretary to remind him to find a good job for that Thompson fellow. He is indispensable.

Roosevelt's Mood

White House VP total (W1-H9)

-10 or worse	-9 to -3	-2 to 2	3 to 9	10 to 19	20 or more
puzzled	morose	sober	cautious	positive	jubilant

puzzled

The war will have to be won in Europe while the United States attempts to stave off collapse in Asia and the Pacific as best it can.

morose

After days of eluding tenacious journalists the President angrily confides to his secretary that he may not live long enough to see this war turn around.

sober

Roosevelt and Secretary of War Stimson have a long and unusually candid discussion about what to do next in the Pacific. On one issue they agree: Doolittle will be promoted to full colonel (if he survived and is not captured or interned).

cautious

The President grins for the press but refuses invitations to elaborate. "I assure you gentleman that the Empire of Japan will be receiving more visits from our boys in Shangri-la." If the total Blast value was 20 or more, Doolittle is promoted to Brigadier General, and if 25 or more and at least 10 Crew markers are in Chungking, and Doolittle is one of them, he is awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor.

positive

The flaws were many but the President is as great a showman as ever. Light bulbs pop and the press hang on every word as Roosevelt waxes poetic about Shangri-la. If the total Blast value was 20 or more, Doolittle is promoted to Brigadier General. If he is in Chungking, he is awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor.

jubilant

Doolittle is promoted to Brigadier General. If he is in Chungking, he is awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor. Members of the press can't help but enjoy the President's new mood. It is contagious, and for the next day or so headlines are effusive. If the total Blast value was 30 or more, American listeners hear President Roosevelt call the mission on the radio a "great victory."

5: JAPAN

Even before the raid on Pearl Harbor, Japan's Navy General Staff and the leaders of the Combined Fleet had bitterly debated the wisest course of strategy. Should it focus on prized targets in the south thus garnering vital resources such as rubber, petroleum, and rice, or should it finish off the United States' Pacific Fleet? That debate continued into April, 1942, just as American bombers launched against Japan. This section of Debriefing explores the Doolittle Raid's influence on the Navy General Staff's debate over strategy. Historically, the plan to lure American carriers into decisive battle by threatening the installation at Midway had been approved on April 16.

First, check the mood at the Imperial Palace in Tokyo. The sum (of Army VP total and four questions below) will provide a rough assessment that is used to answer several questions on the following pages. Then, determine the Imperial Japanese Navy's next likely move in the Pacific.

J1. Mood at the Imperial Palace

U.S. Army VP Total (A1-A7) from page 4

negative	0	1-4	5	6-10	11-14	15-18	19-20
5	4	2	-1	-3	-5	-7	-10

	yes	no
J2. B-25 destroyed on a Target Map?	1 each	-1
J3. Crew marker captured by the Japanese?	1 each	-1
J4. One or more United States CV was sunk?	5	0
J5. Blast value in Tokyo West is 6 or more?	-3	1

J6. Carnage

Total Blast Value on all Target Maps

0	1-5	6-15	16-20	21-29	30+
10	5	0	-3	-5	-10

Shift the result one box to the right if **Tokyo West** and **Tokyo East** each have a Blast Value of 5 or more. If the result shifts off the chart, award negative fifteen VPs for **J6** (-15).

Mood Assessed

Mood at the Imperial Palace VP Total (J1-J6)

positive	0 to -2	-3 to -5	- 6 to -9	-10 or lower
confidence	outrage	doubt	shock	horror

confidence

The wail of the air raid siren finally cycles off. Most people on the streets in Tokyo ignored it as usual, and hours later some are surprised to hear on the radio that the Americans actually attempted to attack the capital. Admiral Yamamoto Isoroku reads the report but says nothing to his aid. His staff will debate the Admiral's plan to wipe out the American carrier fleet enthusiastically for days, preparing for the next Imperial Conference. Roll a die: if EVEN, the Admiral bides his time and refrains from urging his Pearl Harbor plan again. If ODD, a zealous adjutant forwards it to Imperial General Headquarters and is soundly berated afterward.

outrage

Emperor Hirohito listens as his ministers explain how the damage was minimal. Bombs have never fallen on Japanese soil before. With irony and an unexpected sense of panic, he thinks of his father's elation at the news from the great sea victory in 1905. Now, in the evening after the raid, the Prime Minister offers assurances. If the Blast Value in Tokyo West is 5 or higher (including Target Boxes), roll a die: if EVEN, the Emperor can only think to ask about repairs to the Imperial Palace and is assured they will be handled discretely. If ODD, he inquires about a plan to deal with the United States fleet. Admiral Yamamoto is summoned to the palace.

doubt

Karusu Saburo, chief architect of the Tripartite Pact, has just embarked from Rio De Janeiro. His long route home from Washington, where he had delivered his country's declaration of war on the afternoon of December 7, will not bring him to Yokohama until August. He hears the news of the raid on the radio with deep regret. He does not need to read the details that will come forth in the coming weeks to know that this is only the beginning. Meanwhile, in Tokyo, air raid sirens are taken seriously. Few can look up at the sky anymore as planes fly by without feeling a sense of dread.

shock

Konoe Fumimaro watches the commotion on the street as he catches a sympathetic aid on his way to the Imperial Palace. Having stepped down as Prime Minister back in October, he no longer has access to Tojo's office or his staff, and he can only imagine how the new Prime Minister will explain this to the Emperor.

horror

Prime Minister Tojo Hideki confers with staff at the War Guidance Office and is quick to acknowledge the Navy's culpability. If Tokyo West has a Blast Value of 2 or more (not counting Target Boxes), roll a die: if EVEN, the Imperial Palace was damaged and Tojo will confer with the Emperor at the War Ministry. If ODD, Tojo rails against Admiral Oikawa Koshiro, Navy Minister, before the Emperor at the palace, insisting that the Navy is not taking the menace to the east seriously (shift the result of J12 one box to the left). In either case, for days, people in Tokyo will look at planes in the sky with great trepidation. When will the Americans return?

J7. Captured Crew? If no Crew markers are in the Captured box, skip this page.

Mood Assessed (from page 15)

confidence	outrage	doubt	shock	horror
held	tried	tried	tried	executed

- “held” means there is no trial (skip J8); the crew are prisoners of war and will be released at war’s end, if they survive.
- “tried” means the crew are accused of war crimes, placed on trial after lengthy and brutal interrogations (for the trial, see J8).
- “executed” means the prisoners are interrogated and tortured, and then executed without a trial (skip J8).

J8. Outcome of Trial?

Ignore if crews are not tried. If they are tried, answer the questions and tally the **Xs** to find the verdict and sentence below.

The outcome of the trial hinges on the civilian casualties inflicted by the raid, as well as by the magnitude of destruction.

Mood Assessed page 16

outrage		doubt		shock	
yes	no	yes	no	yes	no
		X		X	
		X		X	
XX		X		XX	
XX		XX	X	XX	X

A Blast marker is in an Area on a target map?
do not include those in Target Boxes

A Blast marker is in the Tokyo West area?
do not include those in Target Boxes

At least five Blast markers on each target map?

At least five Crew markers are captured?

Example: the Mood is “doubt” and there is at least one Blast marker in an Area on one of the Target Maps (not in a Target Box), so that is one X. There is a Blast marker in the Tokyo West area for another X. Each Target Map does not have 5 Blast markers, so no X there, and only one Crew was captured, so only one X there as well. In total, there are three Xs, so the Verdict and Sentence is “guilty” and some crewmen are executed but not all of them.

Verdict and Sentence	no X	X	XX	XXX	XXXX or more
Guilty?	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
Some crew are executed?	no	no	no*	yes	yes
All are executed?	no	no	no	no	yes

* Not executed right away.

J9. China?

Mood VP total (J1-J6)

	negative	0	1-5	6+
New offensive to capture landing sites?	yes	yes	maybe	no
New campaign to suppress population?	yes	probably	maybe	no
Army to terror bomb Chungking?	yes	yes	probably	maybe

If two or more answers are "yes," or if all are "yes" and "probably," the Japanese military conducts a three month campaign to capture air strips robbing the Chinese and their American allies the opportunity to launch raids against Japan from China. This campaign will also involve the destruction of villages and towns nearby, and the deaths of civilians. Historically, over 200,000 died.

If the Japanese conduct an offensive to capture landing sites, the Haverson Project (known as Special Aviation Project Number Two), will be scratched by the U.S. Army, diverting the squadron known as Halpro to North Africa, where it will make the first raid on oil refineries at the Romanian city of Ploiesti in August, 1942. If the Japanese do not conduct an offensive to capture landing sites, Halpro will continue to China as planned, joining the 10th Air Force. Comprised of twenty B-24 heavy bombers, they will use those landing sites to raid industrial cities in Japan. If two results are "maybe" the Japanese conduct an offensive to capture landing sites after Halpro's Tokyo raid later in the year.

J10. USSR?

Answer these questions and tally the Xs. Note the effect on Prime Minister Tojo's attitude towards the Soviet Union.

	yes	no
Crew markers landed in Vladivostok?	X	
Crews interned? Ignore this question if there were no Crews to intern.		X

	no X	X	XX
Tojo's attitude?	warm	cool	sour
Neutrality Pact?	strong	weak	farcical – if more than 10 B-25s landed in Vladivostok it is broken

Japan and the Soviet Union shared a Neutrality Pact, preventing either nation from taking up arms against the other. This was mutually beneficial. For Japan, it meant its Army could focus on China and Burma and not fight a second front to the north. For the Soviets, it meant it could focus on the rather alarming German invasion on its western border, without worrying about fighting the Japanese on its eastern border. Historically, the pact lasted until 1945.

J11. Home Defenses Improved?

Mood at the Imperial Palace from page 15

confidence	outrage	doubt	shock	horror
no	maybe	probably	yes	yes

no Sortie times at Tateyama, Kasumigaura, and Yokohama naval air bases are targeted for improvement, and there is some discussion of improving the response time of searchlight batteries as well as emergency crews. A wag, training at Yokosuka Naval Air Base, jokes that he hopes the Americans will try this again so he can get more practice shooting them down.

maybe Although Prime Minister Tojo finds the pressure to redeploy Army air assets to Honshu a nuisance, he finds it difficult to argue against the proposal. Roll a die: if EVEN, he acquiesces at the next Imperial War Conference and at least one squadron is installed near Tokyo. If ODD, he insists that anti-aircraft guns, searchlight batteries, and low altitude air defense balloons need to be increased.

probably Prime Minister Tojo acknowledges that Honshu's defenses must be improved, but he is reluctant to strip the army or navy's assets. Roll a die: if EVEN, he orders more than one squadron be redeployed to Tokyo. If ODD, he insists that anti-aircraft guns, searchlight batteries, and low altitude air defense balloons need to be increased, and more importantly, he demands that the Navy improve its response time at its Naval Air bases at Kisarazu, Yokohama, and Maizura.

yes Both Army and Navy air assets are redeployed to Honshu, weakening Japan's operational capabilities overseas. Tojo rails against the Navy, demanding action to eradicate the American threat.

J12. Midway Invasion Amended?

Home Defenses Improved? J11

Example: There was an Airstrike, so the top row is used. The result of J11 was "maybe," so the maybe column is used. If a CV was sunk in the Airstrike, the result is "no." If a CV was not sunk, the result is "yes."

	yes	probably	maybe	no
There was an Airstrike:	yes	CV sunk: no CV not sunk: yes	CV sunk: no CV not sunk: yes	no
There was no Airstrike:	yes	yes	maybe	no

yes Admiral Yamamoto Isoroku's approved plan to lure U.S. carrier assets into battle by threatening Midway Island (Operation MI) is reviewed again by Prime Minister Tojo. If the total Blast Value on the Tokyo Target Map is 16 or more, roll two dice: if their sum is **10 or higher**, the Admiral is instructed to draft up a plan to attack Pearl Harbor instead, in preparation for an invasion of Hawaii. If **9 or less**, that more ambition plan is shelved until after implementation of the Coral Sea operation (Operation MO), to be conducted simultaneously with MI.

maybe Admiral Yamamoto's plan is hotly debated once again. Roll a die: if EVEN, despite threatening to resign, Yamamoto's plan is shelved (roll two more dice: if their sum is 12, the Admiral actually resigns). If ODD, the plan is finally put into motion, but only after Operation MO.

no The Combined Fleet will concentrate its forces on the project to isolate Australia (Operation MO). Until further developments reveal the situation has changed, the U.S. carrier fleet is deemed a manageable threat and the Midway plan is put on hold.

DEBRIEFING LOG

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- A1. **Fate of B-25s**
- A2. **Fate of Crews**
- total Blast value of all Blast markers in Areas and Target Boxes
- A7. **Norden Bombsight**
- Hap Arnold's Assessment** A1-A7 _____
- A3. **Blast Value**
- A4. **Blasted Target Boxes**
- A5. **Blasted Areas**
- A6. **Significant Damage**

- H5. **Tokyo Bombed**
- H6. **B-25s in the USSR**
- H7. **Internment**
- H8 & H9
- Roosevelt's Mood** W1-H9 _____
- USSR: Assessment** H5-H9

- N1. **Navy Ships**
- N2. **Mission Execution**
- N3. **Targets of Opportunity**
- Nimitz's Assessment** N1-N3

- J1. **Imperial Palace**
- J2-J5
- J6. **Carnage**
- Mood Assessed** J1-J6

- C1. **Security**
- C2. **Build Up in China**
- C3. **Nordens in China**
- C4. **Raid Effectiveness**
- Joint Chief's Assessment** C1-C4

- J7. **Captured Crew?**
- J8. **Outcome of Trial?**
- J9. **China?**
 - New offensive to capture landing sites?** _____
 - New campaign to suppress population?** _____
 - Army to terror bomb Chungking?** _____
- Verdict & Sentence**

- W1. **Morale At Home**
- W2-W7
- Temperature at Home** W1-W7

- J10. **USSR?**
 - Tojo's Attitude?** _____
 - Neutrality Pact?** _____

- H1. **Reinforcing Stilwell**
- H2. **Total Blast Value**
- H3 & H4
- China: Assessment** H1-H4

- J11. **Home Defenses Improved?** _____
- J12. **Midway Invasion Amended?** _____