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SHORT ESSAY: THE TECHNOLOGY AND THE WAR

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HELLO. THIS IS YUKI INOUE, SHOROKU KYUTOKU, HIROKI NAKAMOTO, YUICHIRO YAMAOKA AND KISHIN INOUE. IN THIS ESSAY, WE ARE GOING TO TELL YOU ABOUT I-400 AS AN EXAMPLE OF THE TECHNOLOGY WHICH IS PRODUCED BY THE WAR.

First, let us explain the reason why we chose this topic. I-400 is a submarine that gave very big influence on current technology. We think that the history of I-400 is the right topic for the theme - "The Peace and The War". Most people think the war is bad. The history of the war is wrong. But, please think. In current society, we live with a lot of technology. And many of them were made for the war. Now, we must think the war in a different view. Absolutely, killing other people is wrong. But the war also produced many useful things. The war is not just bad. We should know the truth without any prejudices. (Kishin, Hiroki)

Second, we are going to explain the fact of the I-400. Since 2005, when I-401 was found off Hawaii, I-400 was found off Hawaii in 2013, and yes, I-402 was detected of the Goto Islands in 2014. I-400 has gone through the path of innovation and tragedy over the 60th and 70th years, and has changed its shape in various ways, and it also shows its shape today. The 400 I-class submarine is a huge submarine with a crew of 200 and a total length of 122 meters. And three special fighters “晴嵐” are attached, and available to attack with it. The cruising power is enough to make a round trip around the earth without resupply, and it is a submarine that can attack anywhere from 40,000 nautical miles.

The original strategy of I-400 was to bomb the east coast of the United States, where the naval shipyard was located, before aiming at the Panama Canal. The reason for aiming for Panama Canal is that it connects the Pacific Ocean and the Atlantic Ocean. If Germany loses in Europe, the forces of the Allied Forces head for the Public Ocean through the Panama Canal. Due to the intimacy of the operation, it was necessary to be a special aircraft carrier like I-400, which is different from ordinary aircraft carriers. The operation was quite a secret even within the military, so it was sometimes attacked by allies of Japanese army. There is also such an episode. I-400 is equipped with a special fighter plane called “晴嵐”. Though it is violation of international law, in order not to notice by the US military, it is known that it was marked the US military's one.

However, as the battlefield deteriorated, breaking the battlefield became a predecessor, and the target was changed from the Panama Canal to the Ulithi Atoll. This is because the main US aircraft carrier was anchored there. In order to attack the Ulithi Atoll, we decided to attack using the two-stage attack operation “light” and “storm”. In that way, it was planned to bomb the Ulithi Atoll with a two-stage attack, but the first stage “light” failed.

Due to circumstances such as the inability of I-400 and I-401 meet, the operation was unable to be carried out as planned. A few days later, I-400 and I-401 ended the war with Gyokuon Broadcasting without participating in the war. By the end of the war, both submarines dumped the confidential document and the storm with the bomb into under the sea. Later, I-400 was captured by The US military and entered Pearl Harbor. It was great advertising value. The US military was interested in the technical capabilities of the I-400 submarine, but because it entered the Cold War, in order not to pass on that information about I-400, in June 1946, areal lightning strike including a torpedo detonator test. It was sunk throughout Hawaii as the target. (Yuichiro, Yuki, Shoroku)

In conclusion, we are going to tell you our opinion.

This submarine made for bombing the mainland of US. In other words, it made for the war. War is very cruel because people kill same family human under official order of own country. However, technology developed with the war. Almost machine around us is made for the war. For example, a computer, a tv, an airplane... There is no limit. Of course, we never think war is good, but we think that people all over the world must not forget most of technology that we use our life advanced due to war. We desire the world peace. (Soichiro)

Thank you for reading!

