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(Second World War - Okinawa) Okinawa Shima (Target Map of Yontan Area | Target Map of Naha and Machinato Areas)

Stock#: 63667

Map Maker: (Interpron Two)

Date: 1945 (Revisions March 19)

Place: n.p.Color: ColorCondition: Good

Size:

Price: SOLD



Description:

Immediate Pre-Invasion, SECRET Map Set Showing the Landing Beaches and Defenses on Okinawa.

Fantastic set of three color-printed maps (the complete set) "prepared at the request of 10th ARMY" showing the west coast of Okinawa and the extent of the U.S. landing beaches on the island. The map was



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produced by the U.S. Navy Photographic Interpretation Squadron Two (Interpron Two) with revisions to March 14-19, 1945. The base map is AMS-2 Revised to January 1945, the defenses shown were updated through March 1, 1945.

The map shows roughly 30 miles of coastline on the western side of Okinawa, from the major city of Naha and the Naha airfield in the south, through Katena (Kadena) Airfield, to the northeast of the Yontan Airfield in the north. The map illustrates the landing zones and beaches; they are labeled Beach Black 1-6, Beach Green 1-2, Beach Red 1-3, Beach Blue 1-2, Beach Yellow 1-3, Beach Purple 1-2, Beach Orange 1-2, Beach White 1-3, and Beach Brown 1-4. At Beach Orange 1 and 2 there is a pencil manuscript note: "2 Phototeams and lab | AP 203 3 Apr. | LST 890 5 Apr."

The map is classified SECRET, with the typical declaration that it would become RESTRICTED in the combat zone.

Defensive Emplacements

The legend relays the immense diversity of defensive impediments:

- Heavy AA 75MM 80MM
- Heavy AA Position (Empty)
- AW 20MM 40MM
- AW Position (Empty)
- Machine Gun
- MG Position (Empty)
- Mortar Position
- Searchlight
- Covered Artillery Emplacement
- Artillery Emplacement
- Fire Trench
- Anti-Tank Trench
- Rifle Pit.
- Trench with Rifle Pits
- Underwater Barrier
- Underground Entrance
- Pillbox
- (Dotted Symbols Indicate Possible Installations)



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Rarity

Very Rare. We locate no copies of any of the sheets in OCLC, nor any sale databases, nor in general Google searches.

Detailed Condition:

Sheets 1 and 3 in Good to Very Good condition, Sheet 2 in Fair to Good condition. Old folds. Some soiling, especially at folds on Sheet 2.