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From: Chief of Naval Operations.
To: All Bureaus and Offices, Fleets, Forces,
Aviation Units and Stations Concerned.
Subject: Naval Aeronautic Organization - Revised (No. 3) -
Fiscal Year 1941.

Reference: (a) Naval Aeronautic Organization - Revised (No. 2)
of 14 October 1940 and Change No. 1 thereto.

1. Reference (a) is cancelled and superseded by this issue. The following assignments constitute the Naval Aeronautic Organization for the fiscal year 1941 and are effective 1 February 1941, except as noted.

2. The Bureau of Aeronautics is responsible for the supply of aircraft in accordance with these assignments. The supply of spare airplanes for maintaining authorized operating strengths shall be governed by the following general provisions:

- (a) Fleet Aviation
 - (1) Carrier and ship based - 50% spare airplanes
 - (2) Patrol planes and utility planes (multi-engine) in Fleet Squadrons - 25% spare airplanes
 - (3) Fleet Marine Force - 50% spare airplanes
- (b) Naval Air Stations Pensacola, Corpus Christi, Miami, and Jacksonville. - 20% spare airplanes
- (c) Other Squadrons and Units No spare airplanes

3. The Bureau of Aeronautics is authorized to assign, for utility purposes, such experimental, obsolescent and obsolete airplanes as are in safe flying condition. These airplanes may be operated in excess of authorized operating strength, but only authorized operating strength will be considered in determining personnel allowances and flight orders of squadrons and units concerned.

4. Squadrons and units shall not be equipped with airplanes, other than experimental, obsolescent or obsolete, in excess of authorized operating strengths, except that patrol squadrons may retain physical custody of spare VPB type aircraft not to exceed, in number, 25% of authorized complement. Spare

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airplanes will be supplied as replacements for those expended or undergoing major overhaul. In the case of patrol squadrons, operation of spare aircraft may be authorized at discretion of Commander Aircraft, Scouting Force, Commander Patrol Wing Ten and Commander Patrol Wings Atlantic Fleet who may delegate this authority. Temporary reductions in authorized operating strengths are necessary for minor repairs, inspections and minor overhauls.

5. Responsible officers shall see that the Chief of Naval Operations is informed when other than temporary reductions in authorized operating strengths are necessary.

6. Detailed assignments are arranged in sections as shown below. No section is provided for special assignments. These, when authorized by the Chief of Naval Operations, may be made for naval aviators detailed to duty as inspectors of naval aircraft or assistant naval attaches and to other special duties.

- Section I. Fleet Aviation.
 - (A) U. S. Pacific Fleet.
 - (a) Battle Force.
 - (b) Scouting Force.
 - (c) Base Force.
 - (B) U. S. Atlantic Fleet.
 - (C) U. S. Asiatic Fleet.
 - (D) Fleet Marine Force.
 - (E) Aircraft Assigned Seagoing Vessels Attached to Naval Districts.
 - (F) Aircraft assigned vessels whose assignment Naval Districts. is indefinite.
- Section II.
- Section III. Naval and Marine Corps Reserve.
- Section IV. Summary of Operating Airplanes.

7. All fleet aircraft are assigned to pools as follows:

(a) U. S. Pacific Fleet Aircraft

(1) Commander Aircraft Battle Force-Aircraft Battle Force aircraft
 Battleships Battle Force aircraft
 Cruisers Battle Force aircraft
 Destroyers Battle Force aircraft

(2) Commander Aircraft Scouting Force -Aircraft Scouting Force
 aircraft

(3) Commander Cruisers Scouting Force -Cruisers Scouting Force
 aircraft
 Submarine Scouting Force
 aircraft

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Ashore - Total 2371 (Including Reserve)

Type	: Inner : Patrol	: Details	: Training	: Reserve	: Total
VN	:	:	923	240	1163
VOS-VSO	24	4	498*	:	526
VSB	:	:	115	182	297
VPB	:	:	82	:	82
VF	:	8	123	:	131
VTB	:	:	0	:	0
VR	:	14	:	:	14
VM	:	95	:	:	95
VJ	:	25	:	10	35
VG	:	13	:	:	13
VJR	:	15	:	:	15
Totals	24	174	1741	432	2,371

* Includes VSN

Regular Establishment

Reserve Establishment

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/s/ H. R. STARK.

Dept. Distribution:

I, IV, (for VII(a),(b),(c)
 VI(a),(d),(h),(i)
 VIII(b),(c),(d),(g),(h),(k),(m)),
 V, IX, X
 All Naval Reserve Aviation Bases
 All Ships Concerned with Aircraft
 Commandant, Marine Corps School, Quantico.

(74) Commander Utility Wing - Base Force aircraft

(b) U. S. Atlantic Fleet

Commander Aircraft Atlantic Fleet-Atlantic Fleet Aircraft

(c) U. S. Asiatic Fleet

Commander Aircraft Asiatic Fleet -Airaf aircraft

(d) Fleet Marine Force Aircraft - air groups will handle their own overhauls and replacements.

Commander Aircraft Battle Force will coordinate the Fleet overhaul schedule at Naval Air Station, San Diego. Commander Aircraft Atlantic Fleet will coordinate the Fleet overhaul schedule at Naval Air Station, Norfolk. The Commanding Officer, Naval Air Station, San Diego will coordinate the transcontinental ferry schedule.

SECTION I. FLEET AVIATION

Squadron or Unit	: Authorized Operating Strength	: Assigned
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A. U. S. PACIFIC FLEET

Flag Unit	: 1 VOS	: CinC, U. S. Fleet and
		: CinC, U. S. Pacific
		: Fleet.
Ship Unit	: Will operate with VO-1	: PENNSYLVANIA

(a) BATTLE FORCE, PACIFIC FLEET

Flag Unit	: 1 VOS	: Combatfor
Ship Unit	: Will operate with VO-2	: CALIFORNIA

(1) Commander Battleships, Battle Force, Pacific Fleet.

Twelve three-plane units.

VO-1	: 9 VOS <i>a. nev. + Penn.</i>	: Batdiv One
VO-2	: 9 VOS	: Batdiv Two
VO-3	: 9 VOS	: Batdiv Three
VO-4	: 9 VOS	: Batdiv Four

(U.S.S. NORTH CAROLINA aviation unit, 3 VOS; will be formed at NRAB Floyd Bennett on 11 April. The ship plus aviation unit will operate under CNO for some months thereafter).

(b) Organization and Designation of Naval and Marine Corps Reserve Aircraft Squadrons.

<u>N.R.A.B.</u>	<u>:N.R. Squadron:</u>	<u>M.C.R. Squadron</u>
Boston (Squantum), Mass.	: VS-1R	: VMS-1R
	: VS-2R	
New York (Brooklyn), N. Y.	: VS-3R	: VMS-2R
	: VS-4R	
Philadelphia, Pa.	: VS-5R	
Miami (Opa-Locka), Fla	: VS-7R	: VMS-4R
Chicago (Glenview), Ill.	: VS-9R	
Detroit (Grosse Ile), Mich.	: VS-8R	: VMS-5R
Minneapolis, Minn.	: VS-10R	: VMS-6R
St. Louis (Robertson), Mo.	: VS-11R	
Kansas City, Kansas	: VS-12R	: VMS-10R
	: VS-19R	
Long Beach, Calif.	: VS-13R	: VMS-7R
	: VS-14R	
Oakland, Calif.	: VS-15R	: VMS-8R
	: VS-20R	
Seattle, Washington.	: VS-16R	: VMS-9R
Washington (Anacostia), D.C.	: VS-6R	: VMS-3R

NOTE: Aircraft are assigned to Reserve Bases as indicated in preceding paragraph and not to individual squadrons. For this reason no aircraft are shown in above table.

SECTION IV. SUMMARY OF OPERATING AIRPLANES FOR FISCAL YEAR 1941.

Afloat - Total 1219

Class:	US Fleet:	Pac:	Bat- for:	Sco- for:	Base- for:	Atlan- tic:	Asi- atic:	FMF:	Naval: Dist.:	Indefi- nite:	Total
VOS/VSO:	1	: 96	: 63	:	: 51	: 11	: 12	: 2	: 10	:	246
VSB	:	: 160	:	:	: 62	:	: 78	:	: 6	:	306
VF	:	: 72	:	:	: 72	:	: 36	:	:	:	180
VTB	:	: 60	:	:	: 12	:	:	:	:	:	72
VPB	:	:	: 140	:	: 92	: 24	:	:	:	:	256
VJR	:	:	:	: 26	: 5	:	: 7	:	:	:	38
VJ	:	: 8	:	: 26	: 11	: 3	: 11	:	:	:	59
VR	:	:	:	:	:	:	: 6	:	:	:	6
VM	:	: 17	: 10	: 11	: 14	:	: 4	:	:	:	56
Totals :	1	: 413	: 213	: 63	: 319	: 38	: 154	: 2	: 16	:	1,219

Squadron :
 or Unit : Authorized Operating Strength : Assigned

A. U. S. PACIFIC FLEET Cont.

(a) BATTLE FORCE, PACIFIC FLEET Cont.

(2) Commander Cruisers, Battle Force,
Pacific Fleet, and
Commander Cruiser Division Nine
 Two two-plane units.
 Nine four-plane units.

VCS-3 : 4 VSO : Crudiv Three
 VCS-8 : 16 VSO : Crudiv Eight
 VCS-9 : 20 VSO : Crudiv Nine

(3) Commander Destroyers, Battle Force,
Pacific Fleet
Commander Flotilla One, and
Commander Flotilla Two.

Ship Unit : 2 VSO : RALEIGH
 Ship Unit : 2 VSO : DETROIT

(4) Commander Aircraft, Battle Force,
Pacific Fleet, and
Commander Carrier Division Two.

Flag Unit : 4 VM : Comairbatfor (Com-
 : : cardiv Two)
 Tactical Unit : 3 VM :

Carrier Division One

Flag Unit : 2 VM : Comcardiv One
 VB-3 : 21 VSB : SARATOGA
 VF-3 : 18 VF, 2 VM* : "
 VS-3 : 21 VSB : "
 VT-3 : 12 VTB : "
 Utility Unit : 3 VSO, 2 VJ, 1 VSB** : "

VB-2 : 21 VSB : LEXINGTON
 VF-2 : 18 VF, 2 VM* : "
 VS-2 : 21 VSB : "
 VT-2 : 12 VTB : "
 Utility Unit : 3 VSO, 2 VJ, 1 VSB** : "

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Squadron :
or Unit : Authorized Operating Strength : Assigned

Fifteenth Naval District

Utility Unit : 2 VF, 1 VOS, 2 VJR, 1 VJ : NAS Coco Solo

NOTE: VF aircraft assigned NAS Seattle, NAS Pearl Harbor and NAS Coco Solo are for primary purpose of providing services to Patrol Wings there based, in connection with gunnery exercises.

SECTION III. NAVAL AND MARINE CORPS RESERVE

(a) Assignment of Aircraft to Naval Reserve Aviation Bases.

	: Authorized Operating:			: District
	: Strength :			
	: VN*	: VSB**	: VJ :	
Boston (Squantum), Mass.	: 16	: 14	: 1 :	1
New York (Brooklyn), N. Y.	: 16	: 14	: 1 :	3
Philadelphia, Pa.	: 10	: 11	: 1 :	4
Miami (Opa-Locka), Fla.	: 19	: 14	: 1 :	7
Chicago, (Glenview), Ill.	: 16	: 11	: 1 :	9
Detroit (Grosse Ile), Mich.	: 19	: 11	: 1 :	9
Minneapolis, Minn.	: 11	: 11	: 1 :	9
St. Louis (Robertson), Mo.	: 10	: 11	: - :	9
Kansas City, Kansas	: 16	: 14	: - :	9
Long Beach, Calif.	: 20	: 14	: 1 :	11
Oakland, Calif.	: 16	: 14	: 1 :	12
Seattle, Wash.	: 16	: 14	: 1 :	13
Washington (Anacostia), D. C.	: 10	: 14	: - :	D.C.
***Atlanta, Ga.	: 15	: 5	: :	6
***New Orleans, La.	: 15	: 5	: :	8
***Dallas, Texas	: 15	: 5	: :	8
TOTALS	: 240	: 182	: 10 :	

NOTE: Name in parenthesis is only for the purpose of indicating exact location.

- * Of VN planes assigned Naval Reserve Aviation Bases for elimination training, 80% will be operating - remainder in rotating reserve or overhaul. Personnel furnished on basis of 80% of planes assigned.
- ** It is not expected these planes can be made available during the period the Naval Reserve is mobilized.
- *** Dates of commissioning to be determined later.

Squadron :
 or Unit : Authorized Operating Strength : Assigned

(4) Commander Aircraft, Battle Force,
Pacific Fleet, and
Commander Carrier Division Two (Cont.)

Carrier Division Two

VB-5	:	18 VSB	:	YORKTOWN
VF-5	:	18 VF, 2 VM*	:	"
VS-5	:	18 VSB	:	"
VT-5	:	18 VTB	:	"
Utility Unit	:	3 VSO, 2 VJ, 1 VSB**	:	"
VB-6	:	18 VSB	:	ENTERPRISE
VF-6	:	18 VF, 2 VM*	:	"
VS-6	:	18 VSB	:	"
VT-6	:	18 VTB	:	"
Utility Unit	:	3 VSO, 2 VJ, 1 VSB**	:	"

* VM's assigned squadrons with single seater airplanes will be equipped for instrument flying. No additional personnel authorized.

** One VSB assigned each CV Utility Unit for Group Commander.

(b) SCOUTING FORCE, PACIFIC FLEET

Flag Unit : 1 VSO : Comscofor

(1) Commander Cruisers, Scouting Force,
Pacific Fleet

Twelve four-plane units.

*VCS-4	:	16 VSO	:	Crudiv Four
VCS-5	:	16 VSO	:	Crudiv Five
VCS-6	:	16 VSO	:	Crudiv Six

* INDIANAPOLIS Unit will operate with VCS-4.

(2) Commander Aircraft, Scouting Force,
Pacific Fleet and Commander
Patrol Wings, U. S. Fleet

Flag Unit : 3 VM, 1 VPB (Class B) : Comairscofor

Squadron :
 or Unit : Authorized Operating Strength : Assigned

Eighth Naval District - (Cont)

VN-11D8-A	: 100 VN primary	: NAS Corpus Christi*
VN-11D8-B	: 100 VN primary	: "
VN-12D8	: 40 VSO/VN basic	: "
VN-13D8	: 27 VSO/VN instrument	: "
VN-14D8	: 18 VF	: "
VN-15D8	: 18 VSB	: "
VN-16D8	: 12 VSB (to be supplied with VTB later)	: "
VN-17D8	: 12 VN primary seaplane	: "
	: 20 VOS seaplane	: "
VN-18D8-A	: 12 VPB	: "

Utility Unit : 1 VJ, 1 VJR, 1 VR, 1 VG, 2 VM** NAS Corpus Christi

* Date of commissioning to be determined later. Planes to be assigned about 1 April 1941 and above complement to be filled by 30 June. Begin pilot training about 1 April 1941.

** No additional operating personnel authorized.

Tenth Naval District

Utility Unit	: 1 VJ, 1 VJR	: NAS San Juan
Utility Unit	: 1 VJR	: NAS Guantanamo*

* To be commissioned 1 February 1941.

Eleventh Naval District

VJ-5D11	: 8 VM, 1 VR, 1 VG, 1 VJR	: NAS San Diego
Utility Unit	: 1 VOS	: NAS San Pedro

Twelfth Naval District

VJ-6D12	: 4 VM, 1 VR, 1 VJ	: NAS Alameda
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Thirteenth Naval District

Utility Unit	: 2 VF, 2 VM, 1 VJ, 1 VJR	: NAS Seattle
Utility Unit	: 1 VOS	: NAS Sitka

Fourteenth Naval District

Utility Unit	: 4 VF, 1 VOS, 1 VJR, 4 VJ	: NAS Pearl Harbor
Utility Unit	: 1 VJ	: NAS Kaneohe Bay*

* Date of commissioning of station to be determined later.

Squadron :
 Or Unit : Authorized Operating Strength : Assigned

(2) Commander Aircraft, Scouting Force,
Pacific Fleet (Cont.)

Patrol Wing One (San Diego)

<u>Squadrons</u>	:	:	:
*VP-11	: 12 VPB (Class A)	:	: Patrol Wing One
**VP-12	: 12 VPB (Class A)	:	: " " "
***VP-13	: 5 VPB (Class B)	:	: " " "
****VP-14	: 12 VPB (Class A)	:	: " " "
Project Baker:	: 1 VPB	:	: " " "
Utility Unit :	: 1 VOS, 2 VM	:	: " " "

*Present VP-11, now on temporary duty with Patwing 2, will become VP-21 on 1 February 1941. About April 1941 present VP-53 will re-equip with new planes at San Diego and become VP-11.

**Transfer of VP-12 to Patwing 3, as formerly planned is cancelled.

***VP13 will transfer to Hawaiian Area about 1 July 1941.

****VP-14 will complete expansion from 6 to 12 plane strength about 15 February 1941.

<u>Tenders</u>	:	:	:
WRIGHT*	: 2 VOS	:	: Flag, Comairscofor
	:	:	: (after reporting to
	:	:	: Patwing One)
HULBERT	:	:	: Flag, Comairscofor
	:	:	: (until assumed by
	:	:	: WRIGHT)
BALLARD	: Will report about 1 March 1941:	:	: Patrol Wing One
AVOCET	:	:	: Patrol Wing One

* WRIGHT transfers to Patwing 1 upon reporting ALBEMARLE to Patwing 2.

Patrol Wing Two (Pearl Harbor)

<u>Squadrons</u>	:	:	:
*VP-21	: 12 VPB (Class A)	:	: Patrol Wing Two
VP-22	: 12 VPB (Class A)	:	: " " "
VP-23	: 12 VPB (Class A)	:	: " " "
VP-24	: 12 VPB (Class A)	:	: " " "
VP-25	: 12 VPB (Class A)	:	: " " "
Utility Unit :	: 1 VOS, 2 VM	:	: " " "

* Present VP-11, now on temporary duty with Patwing Two, will become VP-21 on 1 February 1941.

Squadron : :
 or Unit : Authorized Operating Strength : Assigned

Seventh Naval District

VN-11D7-A : 90 VN primary : NAS Jacksonville*
 VN-11D7-B : 90 VN primary : "
 VN-11D7-C : 70 VN primary : "
 VN-12D7 : 80 VSO/VSN basic : "
 VN-13D7 : 36 VSO/VSN instrument : "
 VN-14D7 : 37 VOS, 20 VN sea : "
 VN-15D7 : 30 VPB : "
 Utility Unit : 1 VJ, 1 VJR, 1 VR, 1 VG, 4VM** : "

* Planes will be provided as rapidly as available. Complement will be filled about 1 June 1941.

**No additional Operating personnel authorized.

Utility Unit : 1 VJ : NAS Banana River

VN-1D7 : 105 VF : NAS Miami*
 VN-2D7 : 55 VSB : "
 VN-3D7 : 30 VSB(VTB will be supplied : "
 : later) : "
 Utility Unit : 1 VJ, 1 VJR, 1 VR, 1 VG, 2 VM** : "

* Planes will be provided as rapidly as possible. Complement will be filled about 1 June 1941.

** No additional operating personnel authorized.

Utility Unit : 1 VJ : NAS Key West

Eighth Naval District

VN-1D8-A : 100 VN primary : NAS Pensacola*
 VN-1D8-B : 100 VN primary : "
 VN-1D8-C : 100 VN primary : "
 VN-1D8-D : 100 VN primary : "
 VN-2D8 : 135 VSO/VN basic : "
 VN-3D8 : 62 VSO/VN advanced, instrument : "
 VN-4D8 : 40 VPB patrol : "
 VN-5D8 : 61 VOS battleship & cruiser : "
 : 26 VN primary : "
 Utility Unit : 3 VJ, 2 VJR, 2 VG, 2 VR, 8VM** : "
 Instructor's : : "
 School : 15 VN primary : "

* Planes will be provided as rapidly as available. Complement will be filled about 1 June 1941.

** No additional operating personnel authorized.

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Squadron :
 or Unit : Authorized Operating Strength : Assigned

(2) Commander Aircraft, Scouting Force,
Pacific Fleet (Cont.)

Patrol Wing Two (Pearl Harbor) Cont.

Tenders :
 *WRIGHT : 2 VOS : Flag, Compatwing 2
 **ALBEMARLE : 3 VOS : Patrol Wing Two
 ***TANGIER : 3 VOS : " " "
 McFARLAND : : " " "
 THORNTON : Will report about 20 March 1941 : " " "
 SWAN : : " " "

*WRIGHT transfers to Patwing 1 upon reporting of ALBEMARLE to Patwing 2.
 **ALBEMARLE reports about 1 April 1941.
 ***TANGIER will report to Patwing Two, instead of Patwing Three, about 15 July 1941 after completion conversion. Aviation unit will be formed at NAS Alameda about 1 February 1941.

Patrol Wing Four (Seattle)

Squadrons :
 *VP-41 : 9 VPB (Class A) : Patrol Wing Four
 **VP-42 : 9 VPB (Class A) : " " "
 ***VP-43 : 9 VPB (Class A) : " " "
 Utility Unit : 1 VOS, 2 VM, 1 VPB (Class B) : " " "

*VP-41 will expand from 6 to 9 plane strength about 30 June 1941.
 **VP-42 will expand from 6 to 9 plane strength about 1 June 1941.
 ***VP-43 will expand from 6 to 9 plane strength about 15 March 1941

Tenders :
 TEAL : : Flag, Compatwing 4
 WILLIAMSON : : Patrol Wing Four
 *GILLIS : : Patrol Wing Four

*GILLIS will report about 20 March 1941.

Patrol Wing Six (Alameda)

Squadrons :
 *VP-61 : 9 VPB (Class A) : Patrol Wing Six
 Utility Unit : 1 VOS, 1 VM : " " "

* VP-61 will expand from 6 to 9 plane strength about 15 May 1941

Tenders :
 PELICAN : : Flag, Compatwing 6

(3) Commander Submarines, Scouting Force,
Pacific Fleet

Ship Unit : 2 VSO : USS RICHMOND

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Squadron or Unit	:	Authorized Operating Strength:	:	Assigned
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Fourth Naval District (Cont)

VX-4D4	:	3 VM and such other planes for experimental purposes as may be assigned	:	Naval Aircraft Factory, Phila., Pa.
VS-5D4	:	6 VOS	:	Cape May, N. J.
L.T.A.	:	6 ZN and such other ZN's for experimental purposes as may be assigned	:	NAS Lakehurst
H.T.A.	:	1 VM, 1 VG	:	NAS Lakehurst

Activities on Severn and Potomac

VX-4D5	:	24 VM, 6 VR, 2 VJR, 4 VJ, 4 VG and such other planes for experimental purposes as may be assigned.	:	NAS Anacostia
VX-5D5	:	6 VM, 1 VJ and such other planes for experimental purposes as may be assigned:	:	Naval Proving Ground Dahlgren, Va.
VN-8D5	:	7 VM, 1 VJ	:	US Naval Academy Annapolis, Md.
Marine BaseAir Detachment-1	:	3 VM, 1 VR, 1 VJ and such other experimental, obsolescent and obsolete planes as may be assigned	:	Marine Barracks, Quantico, Va.

Fifth Naval District

VJ-4D5	:	4 VM, 1 VG, 1 VJR and such other planes for experi- mental purposes as may be assigned	:	NAS Norfolk
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Sixth Naval District

Air Detachment, Marine Barracks, Parris Island	:	2 VM or other aircraft required for AA towing	:	Marine Barracks, Parris Island
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Squadron :
 or Unit : Authorized Operating Strength : Assigned

(c) BASE FORCE, PACIFIC FLEET

(1) Commander Utility Wing, Base Force, Pacific Fleet.

Utility Wing :
 *VJ-1 : 11 VJ; 11 VJR; 1 VM : USS RIGEL
 *VJ-2 : 11 VJ; 11 VJR; 1 VM : USS RIGEL
 VJ-3 : 4 VJ, 4 VJR, 9 VM : USS RIGEL

* Include Hawaiian Utility Detachment assigned USS KINGFISHER.

(B) U. S. ATLANTIC FLEET

Flag Unit : 1 VSO : CinC U.S. Atlantic
 : : Fleet
 Ship Unit : 4 VSO : USS AUGUSTA

(a) Commander Battleship Division Five

VO-5 : 9 VOS : Batdiv 5

(b) Commander Cruisers, Atlantic Fleet

VCS-2 : 6 VSO : Crudiv 2
 VCS-7 : 16 VSO : Crudiv 7

(c) Commander Destroyers, Atlantic Fleet

Ship Unit : 2 VSO : OMAHA
 Ship Unit : 1 VOS : NOA

(d) Commander Aircraft, Atlantic Fleet and Commander Carrier Division Three

Flag Unit : 2 VM, 1 VPB (Class B)* : Comairlant (Com-
 : : cardiv 3)

* With Utility Unit Patwing 5.

Carrier Division Three

*VS-41 : 15 VSB, 3 VTB : USS RANGER
 VS-42 : 15 VSB, 3 VTB : "
 *VF-41 : 18 VF, 2 VM** : "
 *VF-42 : 18 VF, 2 VM** : "
 Utility Unit : 3 VSO, 2 VJ, 1 VSB*** : "

* Effective 15 March 1941: Present VS-41 will be reequipped with VF planes and become VF-42; VF-4 will become VF-41; VB-4 will become VS-41.

** VM's will be equipped for instrument flying; no additional personnel authorized.

*** VSB for Air Group Commander.

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Squadron or Unit	Authorized Operating Strength	Assigned
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D. FLEET MARINE FORCE

Wing	: 1 VSB, 1 VJR	: Comdg. Gen., FMF
VMB-1	: 18 VSB	: 1st MarAirGroup (Quantico)
VMF-1	: 18 VF, 2 VM*	: " " " " " "
VMS-1	: 18 VSB	: " " " " " "
VMJ-1	: 3 VR, 1 VJR, 3 VSB, 2VJ	: " " " " " "
VMO-1	: 12 VOS, 3 VJR	: " " " " " "
VMB-2	: 18 VSB	: 2nd MarAirGroup (Pearl Harbo
VMF-2	: 18 VF, 2 VM*	: " " " " " "
VMS-2	: 18 VSB	: " " " " " "
VMJ-2	: 3 VJ, 3 VR, 1 VJR, 2 VSB	: " " " " " "
VMS-3	: 6 VJ, 1 VJR	: St. Thomas, V. I.

*VM's for instrument instruction. No additional personnel authorized.

E. AIRCRAFT ASSIGNED SEAGOING VESSELS
ATTACHED TO NAVAL DISTRICTS

Ship Unit	: 1 VOS	: USS CHARLESTON, Com 13
Ship Unit	: 1 VOS	: USS ERIE, Com 15

F. AIRCRAFT ASSIGNED TO VESSELS WHOSE
ASSIGNMENT IS INDEFINITE

VS-201	: 10 VOS/VSO, 6 VSB	: AVG-1*
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*Merchant vessel with partial flight deck converted for convoy escort duty.

SECTION II. NAVAL DISTRICTS

First Naval District

VX-2D1	: 9 VM, 1 VJ and such other	: Naval Torpedo Sta-
	: planes for experimental	: tion, Newport, R.I.
	: purposes as may be assigned	:
VS-2D1	: 6 VOS	: Quonset Point
*VS-3D1	: 6 VOS	: Boston

* To be commissioned about 1 April 1941.

Third Naval District

*VS-1D3	: 6 VOS	: New York
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* To be commissioned about 1 April 1941.

Fourth Naval District

VX-3D4	: 6 VM, 1 VG and such other	: Naval Aircraft
	: planes for experimental	: Factory, Phila., Pa.
	: purposes as may be assigned	:

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Squadron or Unit : Authorized Operating Strength : Assigned

(4) Commander Aircraft Atlantic Fleet, and
Commander Carrier Division Three (Cont.)

Carrier Division Three (Cont.)

VS-71	: 15 VSB, 3 VTB	: USS WASP
VS-72	: 15 VSB, 3 VTB	: "
VF-71	: 18 VF, 2 VM*	: "
VF-72	: 18 VF, 2 VM*	: "
Utility Unit	: 3 VSO, 2 VJ, 1 VSB**	: "

* VM's equipped for instrument flying; no additional personnel authorized.

** VSB for Air Group Commander.

Commander Patrol Wings, Atlantic Fleet

Utility Unit : 1 VPE (Class A)* : Patwing 5

* With Utility Unit Patwing 5.

Patrol Wing Three* (Coco Solo)

<u>Squadrons</u>	:	:
VP-31	: 12 VPB (Class A)	: Patwing Three
VP-32	: 12 VPB (Class A)	: " "
VP-33	: 12 VPB (Class A)	: " "
Utility Unit	: 1 VOS, 2 VM	: " "

* Former plan to form VP-34 is cancelled.

<u>Tenders</u>	:	:
CLEMSON	:	: Flag Compatwing Thre
BELKNAP	:	: Patwing Three
LAPWING	:	: " "
SANDPIPER	:	: " "

Patrol Wing Five (Norfolk)

<u>Squadrons</u>	:	:
VP-51	: 12 VPB (Class A)	: Patwing Five
VP-52	: 12 VPB (Class A)	: " "
*VP-53	:	:
VP-54	: 12 VPB (Class A)	: " "
**VP-55	: 9 VPB (Class B)	: " "
VP-56	: 9 VPB (Class B)	: " "
Utility Unit	: 1 VOS, 2 VM	: " "

* VP-53 will transfer to Patwing 1 about April 1941 and become VP-11

** VP-55 will not transfer to Patwing 1 as previously planned.

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Squadron :
or Unit : Authorized Operating Strength : Assigned

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Commander Carrier Division Three (Cont.)

Patrol Wing Five (Norfolk) Cont.

Tenders : :
CURTISS : 3 VOS : Flag, Compatwing 5
GOLDSBOROUGH : : Patwing Five
THRUSH : : " "
GEO.E.BADGER : : " "
GREENE : Will report about 1 April 1941: " "
GANNET : : " "

Patrol Wing Seven (San Juan)

Squadrons (Will be formed in fiscal year 1942)
Utility Unit : 1 VCS : Compatwing Seven
Tenders : :
OSMOND INGRAM: : Flag, Compatwing 7
BARNEGAT * : 1 VJ : Patwing Seven

* BARNEGAT will report about 1 July 1941. Aviation unit formed at Puget Sound 1 November 1940.

Utility Squadron U. S. Atlantic Fleet, (Norfolk)

VJ-4 : 6 VJ, 5 VJR : Airlant (USS GANNET)

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Ship Unit : 4 VSO : USS HOUSTON
Ship Unit : 2 VSO : USS MARBLEHEAD
Ship Unit : 5 VOS : USS LANGLEY

Patrol Wing Ten (Cavite)

Squadrons : :
VP-101 : 12 VFB (Class A) : Patwing 10
VP-102 : 12 VFB (Class A) : Patwing 10
Utility Unit : 3 VJ : USS HERON

Tenders : :
LANGLEY : : Flag, Comairaf and
: : Compatwing 10

CHILDS : : Patwing 10
WM.E.PRESTON : : " "
HERON : : " "