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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	National Air and Space Museum Archives
<b>Title:</b>	World War II Japanese Bombing Collection
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## Administrative Information

### Acquisition Information

David Dibelius, Gift, 1995, 1995-0037, unknown

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No restrictions on access

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## Scope and Contents

This collection includes leaflets, photos and reports relating to the United States bombing missions, both conventional and atomic, against Japan during 1945. Included are propaganda leaflets dropped by the United States over Japanese cities warning of bombings, including English translations of the leaflets. There is also a formerly restricted comment on engine pressure ratios, and a copy of eight congratulatory telegrams to the bombers. The photographs include aerial photos and negatives of bombings of Japanese cities of Kobe, Kyushu, Tokyo, Kure, and Nakajima, as well as the Mitsubishi Engine Plant; Boeing B-29s over Fujiyama and Yokohama; and two photographs of Hiroshima before and after the atomic bomb was dropped. There are formerly confidential bombing reports by the 499th Bombardment Group from March, 1945, for the cities of Tokyo, Nagoya, Osaka, Kobe, and the Tachiarai Machine Works; and a report, "Incendiary Raids by B-29s," from the 73rd Bombardment Wing dated 6/15/45.'

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## General

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## Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

Subjects:

- Aeronautics
- Aeronautics, Military
- Airplanes, Military
- Atomic bomb
- Boeing B-29 Superfortress
- World War, 1939-1945
- World War, 1939-1945 -- Aerial operations
- World War, 1939-1945 -- Japan -- Hiroshima
- World War, 1939-1945 -- Propaganda

Types of Materials:

- Photographs
- Reports

Geographic Names:

- Hiroshima-shi (Japan) -- History -- Bombardment, 1945