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Collection Overview

Repository:	National Air and Space Museum Archives
Title:	World War II Propaganda Leaflet Slides
Identifier:	NASM.2008.0018
Date:	1945
Extent:	0.05 Cubic feet (1 folder)
Language:	Japanese .
Summary:	Shortly before the crew of the B-29 Superfortress <i>Enola Gay</i> completed their mission to bomb Hiroshima on August 6, 1945, U.S. pilots dropped leaflets over Japan warning citizens to evacuate the cities. This collection consists of four original leaflets, as well as 15 color slides taken by the National Air and Space Museum photo lab of the propaganda leaflets

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

I.A. Kurzman, Gift, 1985, NASM.2008.0018

Processing Information

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Biographical / Historical

Shortly before the crew of the B-29 Superfortress *Enola Gay* completed their mission to bomb Hiroshima on August 6, 1945, U.S. pilots dropped leaflets over Japan warning citizens to evacuate the cities. The leaflets warned Japanese citizens that their government was leading them to death and that the U. S. government had no wish to kill civilians. I.A. Kurzman was a machinist mate, 2nd class stationed in the Pacific aboard the USS *Wasp* (CV-18) from which the aircraft carried the leaflets.

Scope and Contents

This collection consists of four original leaflets, printed on both sides that range in size from 5.5 by 7.5 inches up to 10.75 by 8 inches. The collection also includes 15 color slides taken by the National Air and Space Museum photo lab of the propaganda leaflets, some of which appear to be duplicates.

Arrangement

Collection is arranged by type of material.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

- Aeronautics
- World War, 1939-1945
- World War, 1939-1945 -- Aerial operations
- World War, 1939-1945 -- Propaganda

Types of Materials:

- Slides (photographs)