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Collection Overview

Repository:	National Air and Space Museum Archives
Title:	Captured German and Japanese Aviation Technical Documents
Date:	[ca. 1939-1945]
Identifier:	NASM.XXXX.0431
Creator:	United States. Army Air Forces
Extent:	3,732 Microfilm reels
Language:	German .

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Defense Documentation Center, Transfer, 1966, XXXX-0431, Public Domain

Restrictions

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Biographical / Historical

In the final days of World War II, the advancing Allied armies captured a large number of documents from the German and Japanese governments. These documents were taken to various sites in Europe and the United States for evaluation and appraisal. Those documents considered valuable were microfilmed for preservation. Aviation-related documents were turned over to the United States Army Air Force and microfilmed by the Air Documents Division, Technical Information Section (T-2), Air Material Command at Wright Field, OH [now Wright-Patterson AFB].

Scope and Contents

This collection consists of the Air Force master microfilm of captured German and Japanese documents pertaining to aviation. The documents cover a wide variety of subjects, including aircraft and engines, flight test reports, proposals, and engineering studies. English translation is provided for some documents.

General

All documents in this collection are unclassified.

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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 -- Germany
- Airplanes -- Japan
- Airplanes -- Motors
- Airplanes, Military -- Flight testing
- Research aircraft
- World War, 1939-1945

Types of Materials:

- Microfilms

Places:

- Germany
- Japan