

FT08 THE ULTIMATE TREACHERY

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HISTORICAL ACCOUNT

LOCATION: The Citadel of Hanoi, Briere de l'Isle barracks

DATE: 10 March 1945

COMMENTARY: Since November 1944 tensions had been growing between the Japanese occupation troops and the government of Indo-China. The approach of Allied forces in Burma, the Philippines and Iwo Jima worried the Japanese command and created a climate of insecurity.

In mid-January, the 37th Infantry Division was pulled back to the Tonkin from China, despite the protests of the Governor General. The French and Japanese troops that occupied the territory overlapped completely some in others. These troops were well equipped and had the benefit of several years experience of war. Facing them, the French troops were identical to those of 1940, with a material uses and after four dramatic inactivity years. They were isolated in their mountain stations or surrounded in their garrisons.

At the end of February, the French intelligence services named the day of the planned Japanese attack on all the Indo-Chinese territory as the time of the celebration of the Tet festival. In spite of this, the persons responsible didn't seem to be worried too much and surprise was complete when at 2015 hours on 9 March, the French garrisons were attacked.

The French high command was immediately put out of state to be harmful. Most of the officers were made prisoners when they answered an invitation to have dinner with their Japanese counterparts. Settings are captures has their domiciles, no one having been order in garrisons.

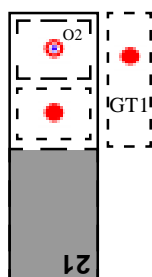
In Hanoi, the Japanese troops seized several public buildings and the local headquarters bit before 20 hours. The citadel was attacked at 2010 hours from the south-east. Men under General Massimi resisted all night long and into the following morning, hoping to succeed an exit overnight her come back. But the fight ended at 1530 hours under Japanese pressure. The same scenario repeated itself throughout French Indo-China. The tragedy gets settled a new time has Langsons where 400 French prisoners are executed and wound them finish. Begin then for survivors a long lone errance in the bush, waiting for the Allied victory and final liberation.



TURN RECORD CHART

FRENCH Sets Up First	1	2	3	4	5	END
JAPANESE Moves First						

THE BATTLEFIELD AND CONDITIONS



Only hex rows R-GG are playable.

Woods and orchards are Palm Trees.
Place Overlay **O2** in EE10-FF9.

EC are Overcast with No Wind at start.

VICTORY CONDITIONS

The Japanese player wins if, at game end, he Controls ≥ 35 Building Locations more than he starts with, or if he accumulates ≥ 15 CVPs.

SCENARIO SPECIFIC RULES:

- 1 Kindling is NA.
- 2 The crew of the French AFV cannot abandon its vehicle to Control a Building Location.
- 3 Banzai is NA.

Elements of the I/9th R.I.C., of the 1st R.T.T. and of the D.M. of Hanoi set up to the north west of perimeter W1-X2-X7-Z8-BB8-GG6 inclusive.

Balance: The Japanese must control ≥ 40 Building Locations or accumulate ≥ 18 CVPs.

ELR: 3
SAN: 4

4-5-7	4-3-7	8-0	7-0	1	2	3	1	1
6	6							

Elements of the 21st Infantry Division set up south of the perimeter S1-U2-U9-X10 inclusive and/or enter on the east edge on GT1.

Balance: The Japanese must control ≥ 30 Building Locations or accumulate ≥ 12 CVPs.

ELR: 4
SAN: 4

4-4-7	3-4-7	2-2-8	10-1	9-0	1	2	2
6	8						