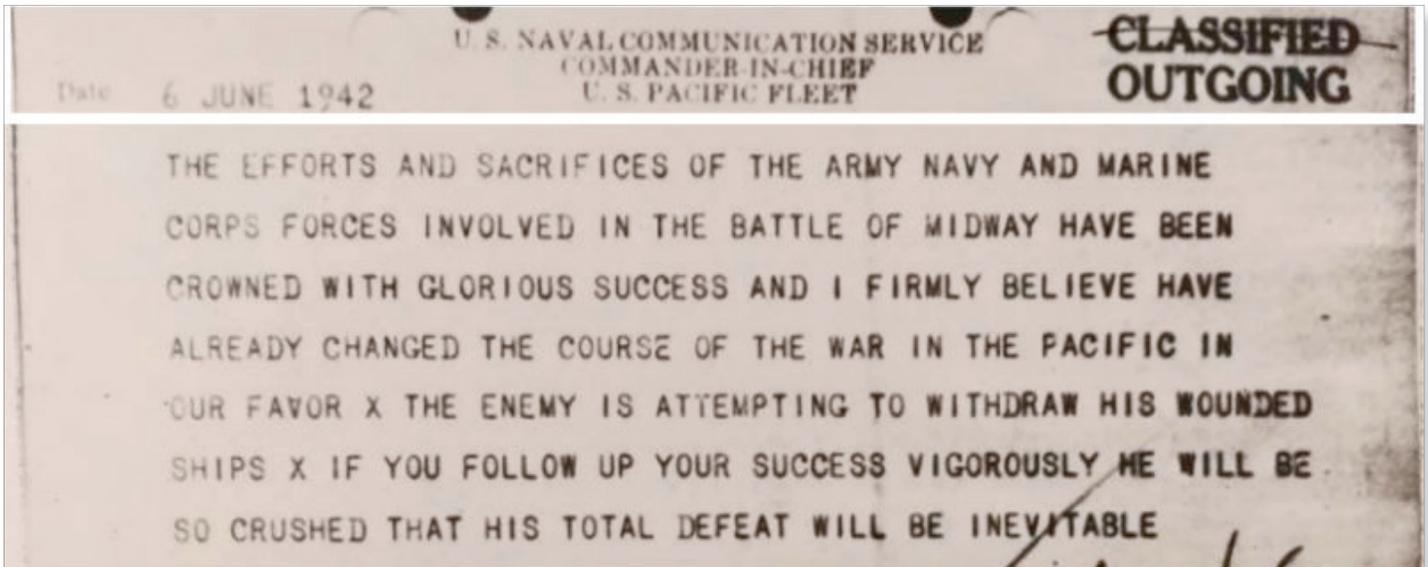


# Message, Chester Nimitz to Task Force Commanders, Midway, June 6, 1942 (excerpt)

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This note of congratulations and encouragement was one of many messages sent by the head of the U.S. Navy's Pacific Fleet, Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, to the units that participated in the Battle of Midway.

## What Was Ensign Hopper Doing?

When the battle was over, the Navy searched for survivors who had been in the water since their planes crashed or ships sank. Ensign Hopper was never recovered. The U.S. Navy later declared him Killed in Action.