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Background: Admiral Yamamoto again attempts an offensive to control the waters around Guadalcanal.
Forces:

Blue: Division 1: 1 x Yorktown CV [Squadrons: 1 x F4F-4, 1 x F4F-4 (8 planes), 2 x SBD-3, 1 x TBF-1 Avenger (Jun 1942 model)],
1 x South Dakota BB, 1 x Indianapolis CA, 1 x Porter DD, 6 x Mahan DD,
1 x Gridley/Bagley DD
Division 2: 1 x Yorktown CV, [Squadrons: 1 x F4F-4, 1 x F4F-4 (8 planes), 2 x SBD-3 (12 planes each), 1 x TBF-1 Avenger (Jun-1942 model)],
1 x Northampton CA, 1 x Pensacola CA, 1 x Atlanta CL, 5 x Sims DD,
1 x Benson/Gleaves DD

Red: Division 1: 1 x Shokaku CV [Squadrons: 1 x A6M2, 1 x D3A1, 1 x B5N2],
1 x Shokaku CV [Squadrons: 1 x A6M2, 1 x D3A1, 1 x B5N2],
1 x Zuiho CV [Squadrons: 1 x A6M2, 1 x B5N2 (10 planes)],
1 x Mogami CA, 7 x Kagero DD, 1 x Akitsuki DD
Division 2: 2 x Kongo BC, 2 x Tone CA, 1 x Mogami CA, 1 x Nagara/Sendai CL,
4 x Yugumo DD, 3 x Kagero DD

Map: Strategic Map 1 *Game Type*: Air Superiority
Starting Positions: Blue: Div 1 hex T11 heading 6, Div 2 hex T11 heading 6.
Red: Div 1 hex J07 heading 4, Div 2 hex I10 heading 4.
Environment: Day, Fair weather. *Intelligence:* Blue= Fair, Red = Fair
Special Rules: None.
Victory Conditions: Standard Victory Conditions apply.
Historic Outcome: IJN tactical victory – the USN lost the CV Hornet, and the CV Enterprise was damaged. IJN forces had 2 carriers badly damaged, lost more planes and pilots than did the USN, and failed in their bid to secure the Guadalcanal area from American naval forces, so this was a strategic loss for them.

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