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## WORLD WAR II STORY OF SECRET INTELLIGENCE GROUP

WASHINGTON—The largest amphibious assault during the Pacific campaign of World War II occurred on April 1, 1945. As the 62<sup>nd</sup> anniversary of the Battle of Okinawa approaches, a new publication tells the story of a secret weapon the American and Allied forces used to achieve victory.

*Nisei Linguists: Japanese Americans in the Military Intelligence Service During World War II* chronicles the history of these soldiers in the Pacific Theater. At the outbreak of the war, the U.S. Army turned to Americans of Japanese ancestry, Nisei, to provide intelligence against the Japanese forces. The Nisei served in every major battle. The group translated enemy documents, intercepted communications, persuaded Japanese militia to surrender and interrogated Japanese prisoners of war. The work of the Nisei was a closely guarded secret, but now author James C. McNaughton brings to light the mission of this elite group of soldiers.

The book is just a click away at the U.S. Government Printing Office's online bookstore:

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