

# Admiral Chester W. Nimitz Signs the Japanese Surrender for the United States



## Description

Admiral Chester W. Nimitz (seated) is signing the Allied Surrender Terms agreement which finalized the unconditional surrender of the Japanese and the end of the war with Japan. Behind Admiral Nimitz are (left to right) General Douglas MacArthur, Admiral William F. Halsey and Rear Admiral Forrest Sherman. Other soldiers and sailors in the background are unidentified. The ceremony took place aboard the USS Missouri. The photograph was given to Colonel Westray B. Boyce during her tour of the Pacific Theatre in the Fall of 1945.

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**People Pictured** Nimitz, Chester W. (Chester William), 1885-1966 Halsey, William Frederick, 1882-1959  
MacArthur, Douglas, 1880-1964 Sherman, Forrest P. (Forrest Percival), 1896-1951

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