On July 20, 1944, an anti-Nazi cabal tried to kill Hitler. In the aftermath, the German Foreign Minister had to reassure his Japanese allies that all was well. Oshima’s report was welcomed by the US and Great Britain. That meant that within a day of the event, they knew as much as the German government and Japan did about the attempted assassination.

Oshima had meetings with the German Minister of Armaments as well as high-ranking military officers. In his reports to Tokyo, he cited exact statistics about existing German weaponry and the manufacturing capability for more weapons.