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Task Force 501 (also known as the "Goryō") was a joint Rikugun/Uchugun ad-hoc unit of the Star Army of Yamatai tasked with the transport and support of quick reaction Rikugun units, namely the Star Army Giretsu Century, Special Operations Fire Team, ranger, etc. It was created in YE 42 and disbanded in YE 44. It was commanded by Taisa Sato Erika.

History

The Battle of Hanako's Star was a disastrous battle for the Star Army of Yamatai. One of the lessons learned from the battle was that the Kagai-Class Assault Ship was not an ideal platform to support Giretsu fulfilling space/boarding oriented tasks. Nor was the ship particularly ideal for quick reaction scenarios where said centuries and other quick reaction type units might be deployed on their own to support a legion's efforts or other objectives for the Star Army as a whole. A more nimble and well-armed vessel would be needed for the task.

Luckily, instead of redesigning a variant of the Kagai for the task, the Ke-S3-R4000 Rikugun Plumeria Deck Package already existed. Initially, Taisa Sato Erika wanted to push up a proposal to Star Army Command to ask for First Expeditionary Fleet to fulfill the role with their gunship squadrons. She quickly reconsidered, as 1XF would be too busy for this. Thus, she submitted a proposal asking for 20 Plumeria gunships to create a joint Rikugun/Uchugun task force to fill the role. Command transferred over only half that of old Plumeria 2Ds, which were refitted to the 2E model, and 12 Chaiki 1B models.

To ensure there was unit cohesion on the gunships, Taisa Sato Erika has done her best to staff the ships with fleet members that were familiar with Rikugun culture. Another notable quirk of the task force is ship commanders are officers that either started or spent a considerable time commanding centuries and Kagai classed vessels.

Details About Task Force 501

Currently, there are 8 Plumeria-class (2E) Medium Gunship with the Ke-S3-R4000 Rikugun Plumeria Deck Package configuration and 12 Chiaki-class (1B) Escort Destroyer. As the Plumerias rarely do not operate together as a squadron, 2 Chiaki are attached to each deployed gunship. They serve as both stealthy escorts and aerial artillery assets to Rikugun forces operating on planets.

1st Gunship Squadron (TF501-G01)

	Imperial Registry Number (IRN)	Class	Commander	Status/Remarks
TF501-G01 Dock	NK-TF501-316	Ikoi-Class Light Starbase	Taii Korey Hensley	Active

Name	Imperial Registry Number (IRN)	Class	Commander	Status/Remarks
YSS Yukikaze	NG-TF501-434	Plumeria-class (2E) Medium Gunship	Shosa Sakurai Mizuki	Active (Fromerly known as Truth's Vengenance)
YSS Asashio	NG-TF501-438	Plumeria-class (2E) Medium Gunship	Taii Fujita Yoko	Active
YSS Harugumo	NG-TF501-459	Plumeria-class (2E) Medium Gunship	Taii Asher Saburo	Active
YSS Agano	NG-TF501-460	Plumeria-class (2E) Medium Gunship	Taii Oshiro Fumika	Active

2nd Gunship Squadron (TF501-G02)

Name	Imperial Registry Number (IRN)	Class	Commander	Status/Remarks
TF501-G02 Dock	NK-TF501-317	Ikoi-Class Light Starbase	Taii Brynja Arinori	Active
YSS Noshiro	NG-TF501-891	Plumeria-class (2E) Medium Gunship	Shosa Jokichi Minase	Active
YSS Inazuma	NG-TF501-776	Plumeria-class (2E) Medium Gunship	Taii Jeremiah Poole	Active
YSS Asagumo	NG-TF501-666	Plumeria-class (2E) Medium Gunship	Taii Bergdis Ogawa	Active
YSS Hatsuharu	NG-TF501-899	Plumeria-class (2E) Medium Gunship	Taii Thomas Mejia	Active

501st Destroyer Squadron (TF501-D501)

Name	Imperial Registry Number (IRN)	Class	Commander	Status/Remarks
TF501-D501 Dock	NK-TF501-318	Ikoi-Class Light Starbase	Taii Auda Oshiro	Active
YSS Kamikaze	ND-TF501-800	Chiaki-class (1B) Escort Destroyer	Shosa Yabuki Chikaku	Active
YSS Minekaze	ND-TF501-801	Chiaki-class (1B) Escort Destroyer	Taii Brynhildr Andi	Active
YSS Urakaze	ND-TF501-802	Chiaki-class (1B) Escort Destroyer	Chui Huld Goto	Active
YSS Shimakaze	ND-TF501-803	Chiaki-class (1B) Escort Destroyer	Chui Anastasia Tetsuya	Active
YSS Okikaze	ND-TF501-804	Chiaki-class (1B) Escort Destroyer	Taii Irim Masao	Active
YSS Nokaze	ND-TF501-805	Chiaki-class (1B) Escort Destroyer	Chui Sean Randall	Active
YSS Tachikaze	ND-TF501-806	Chiaki-class (1B) Escort Destroyer	Chui Miyagi Rika	Active
YSS Sawakaze	ND-TF501-807	Chiaki-class (1B) Escort Destroyer	Chui Jason Velazquez	Active

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Name	Imperial Registry Number (IRN)	Class	Commander	Status/Remarks
YSS Numakaze	ND-TF501-808	Chiaki-class (1B) Escort Destroyer	Taii Kelda Tetsuya	Active
YSS Akikaze	ND-TF501-809	Chiaki-class (1B) Escort Destroyer	Chui Johnathan Sykes	Active
YSS Kawakaze	ND-TF501-810	Chiaki-class (1B) Escort Destroyer	Chui Maxwell Nichols	Active
YSS Yamakaze	ND-TF501-811	Chiaki-class (1B) Escort Destroyer	Chui James Sawajiri	Active

Deployment Group

The following units are currently attached to or make use of the task force:

• Giretsu Century of the 75th Legion

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