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# Destruction of Old Chemical Bombs using DAVINCH™ at Kanda, Japan



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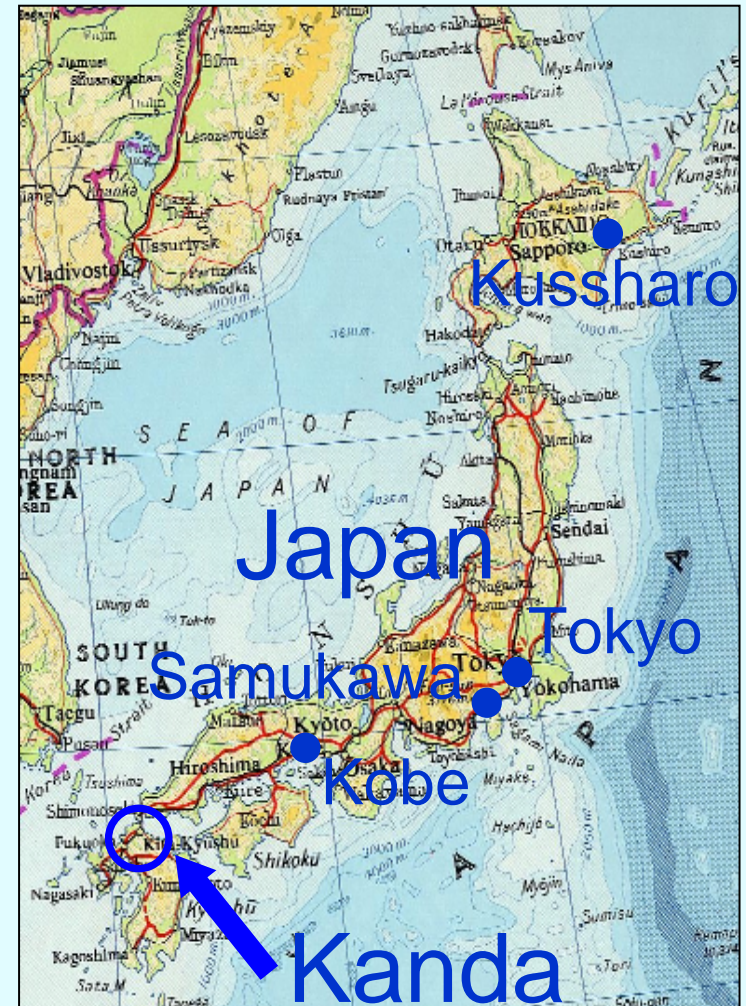
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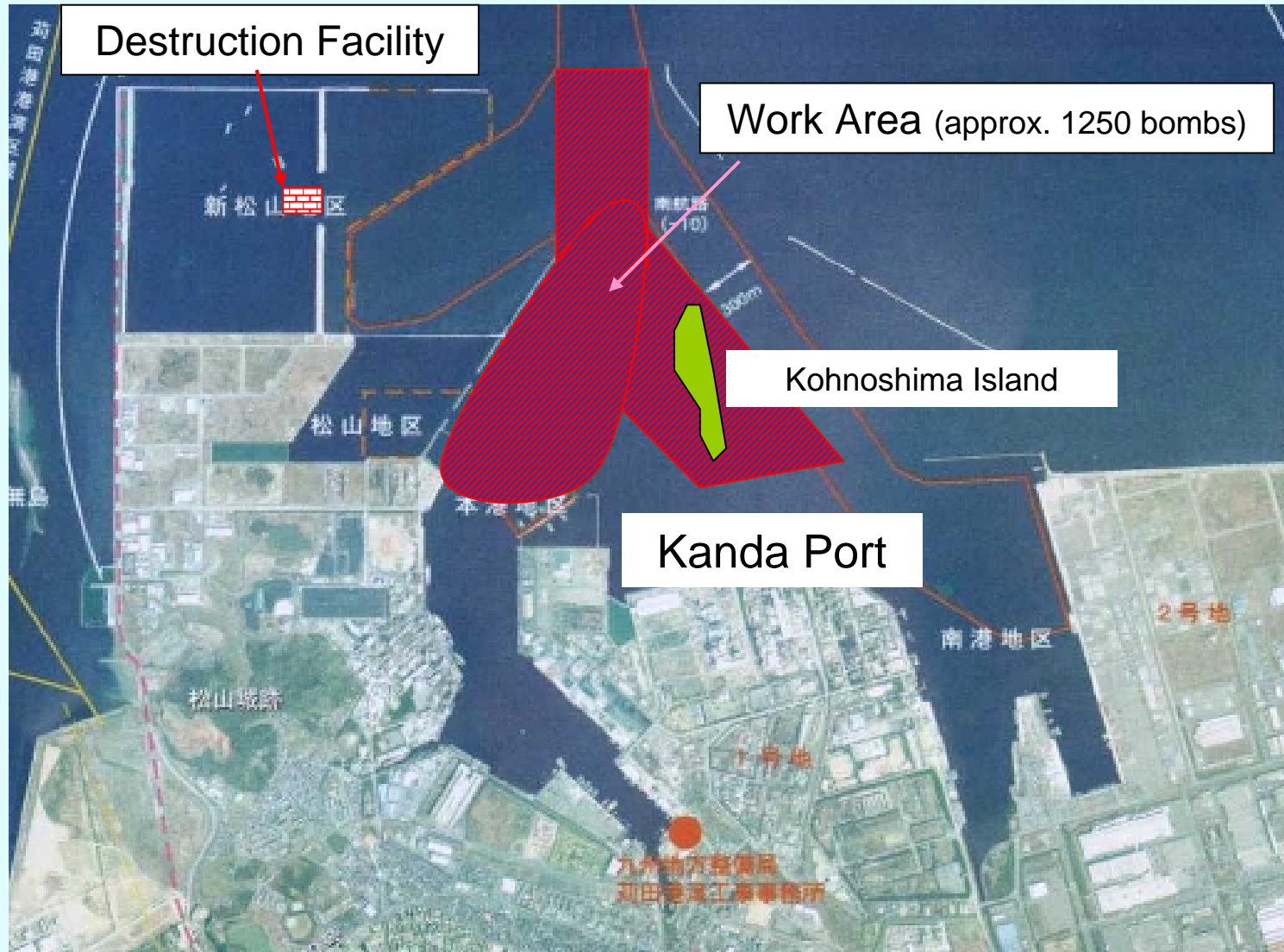
# Operations at Kanda

Chemical Bombs from WW2 on the sea bed in Kanda Port

- Locate Suspicious OCWs
- Recovery of OCWs
- Destruction of OCWs



# Location of Destruction Facility and Work Area





# Old Chemical Bombs Destructed at Kanda, Japan

Phase 1 (2004) 57 bombs

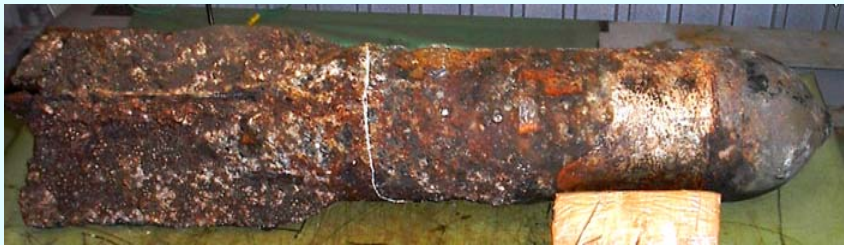
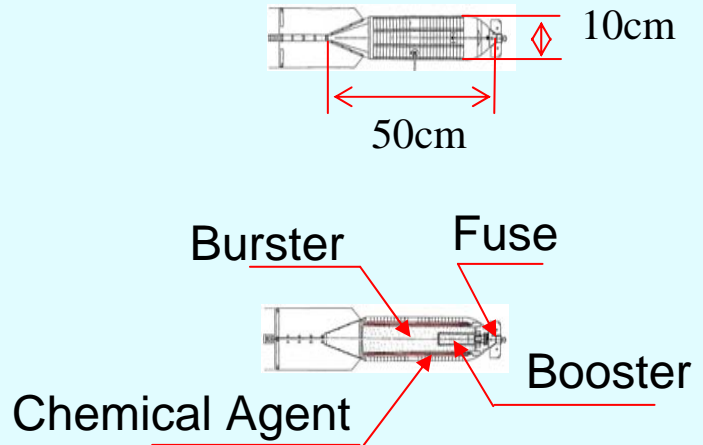
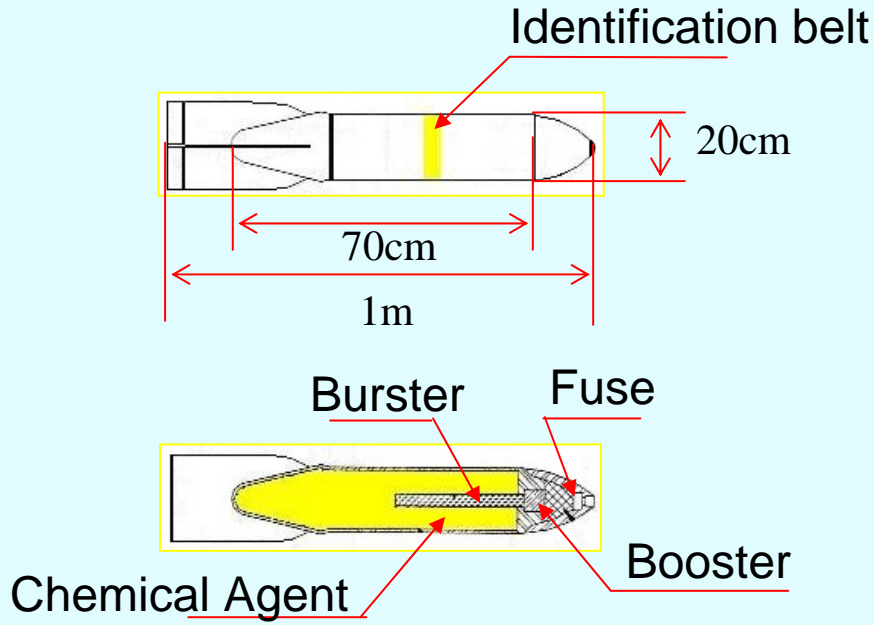
Phase 2 (2005) 538 bombs

Phase 3 (2006) 659 bombs

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total 1,254 bombs

# Old Chemical Weapons recovered from Kanda Port



**50kg Yellow Bomb**

(2.3kg of High Explosive , 18 L of CA)



**15kg Red Bomb**

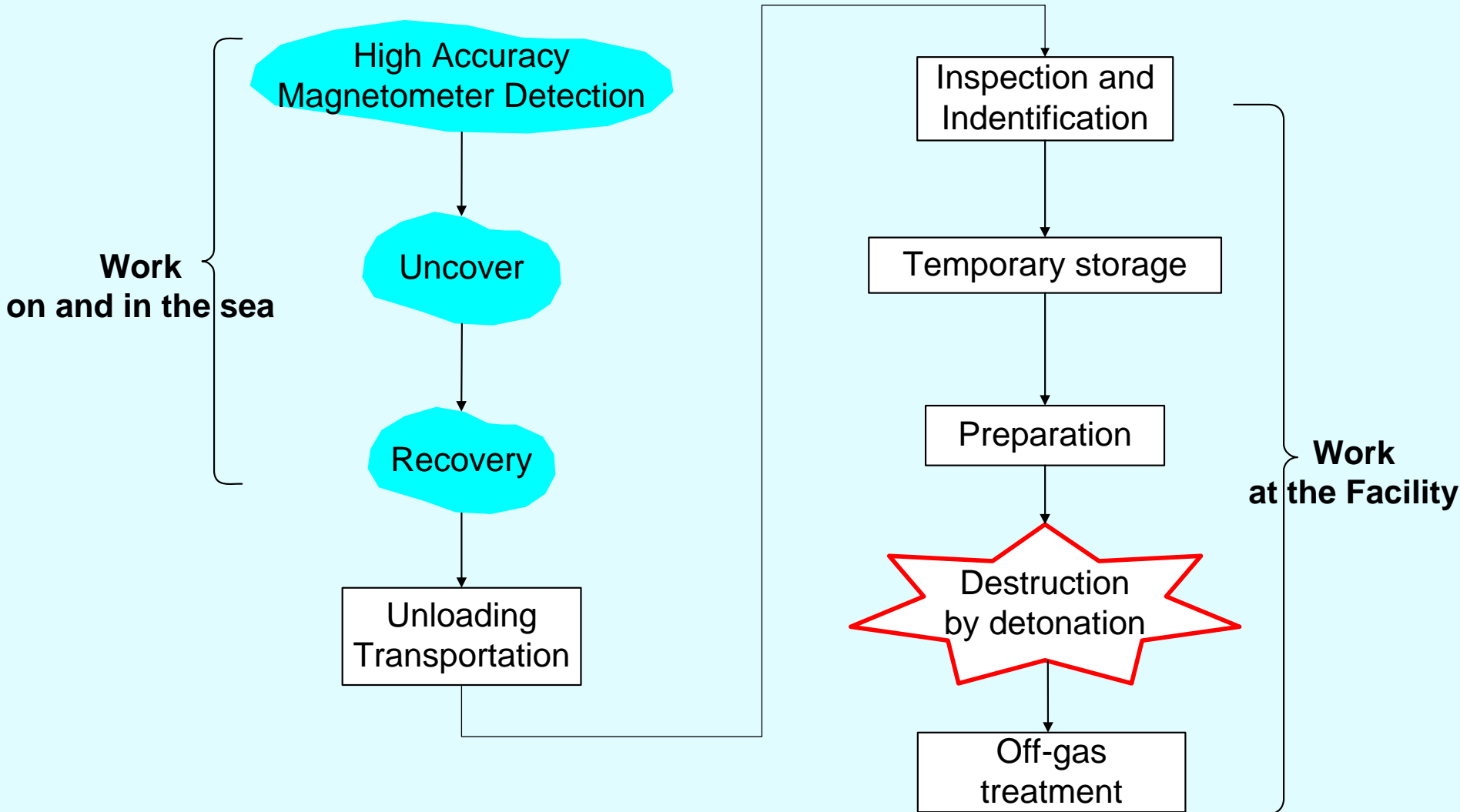
(1.3kg of High Explosive , 368 g of CA)

# Characteristics of Old Chemical Weapons recovered from Kanda Port

- ① Contain As,
- ② Heavily deteriorated, deformed and corroded,
- ③ Covered with shellfish

	<b>Chemical Agent</b>	<b>Explosive</b>
<b>Yellow Bombs</b>	<b>Mustard + Lewisite</b>	<b>Picric Acid + TNT</b>
<b>Red Bombs</b>	<b>DA, DC (similar to Clark I, II)</b>	<b>Picric Acid + TNT</b>

# Work Procedure at Kanda

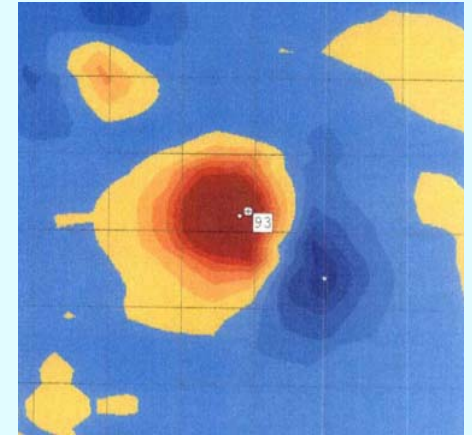
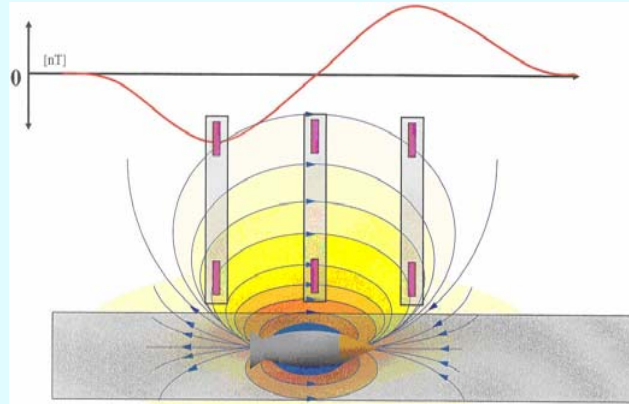




# Locate Suspicious OCWs (High Accuracy Magnetometer Detection)



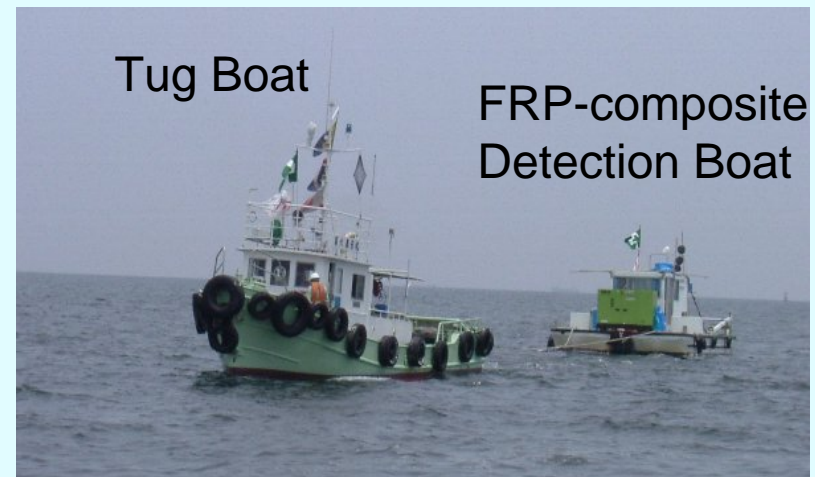
**Magnetometer Detection Probe**



**Magnetic Anomaly Map**

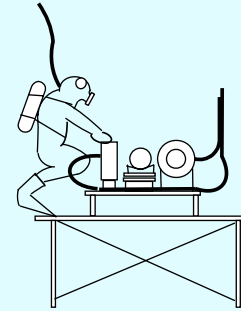
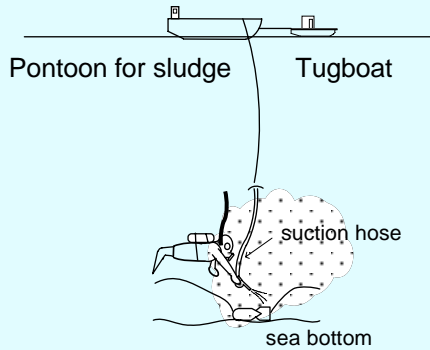


**Data Recorder**



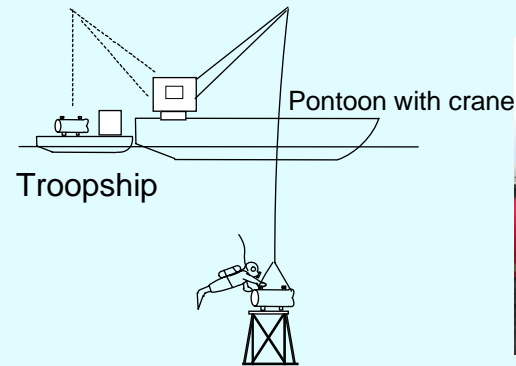
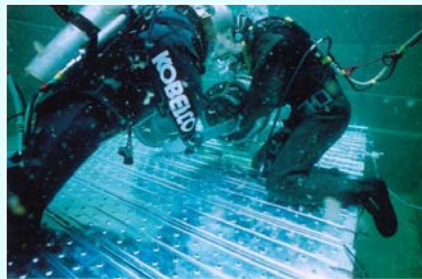
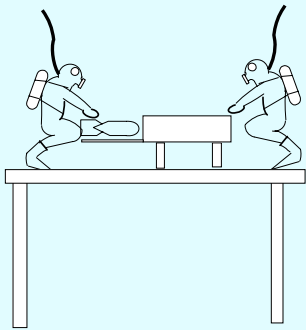
**Detection Operation**

# Uncovering / Recovery of OCWs



① Uncover objects

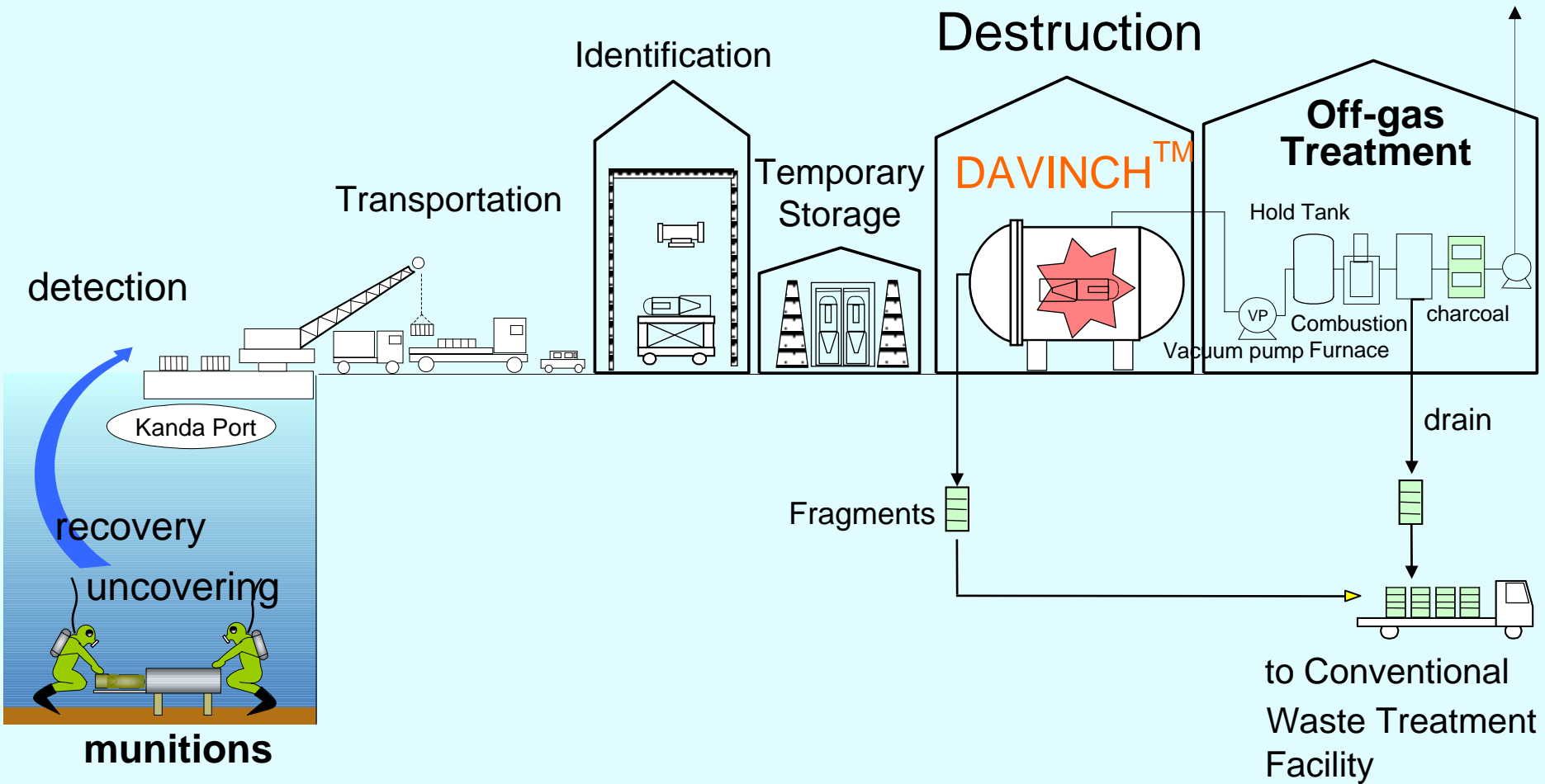
② Take X-rayed picture in the sea



③ Put into a cylinder

④ Recovery

# Schematic Flow of Kanda Chemical Weapons Destruction Facility



# DAVINCH<sup>TM</sup>

## Detonation of Ammunition in Vacuum Integrated Chamber



### Structural Characteristics

- Double-Shelled Cylinders (Outer & Inner Cylinders)
- Multi-layered Outer Cylinder (Pressurized container)
- Removable Inner Cylinder (Can be replaced if it is damaged)

### Operational Characteristics

- Detonation in Vacuum
- Sequential Detonation
- Emulsion explosive as donor charge
- Implosion Process

### Performance Characteristic

- High-DRE only by detonation

# Double walled structure with removable inner chamber

Inner chamber

Sacrificial chamber against fragments



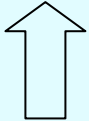
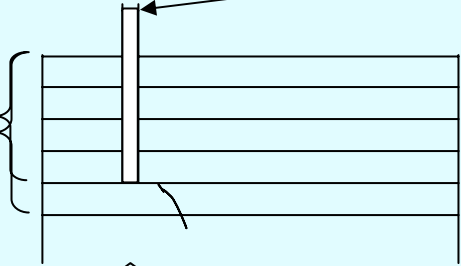
Outer chamber

High-pressure vessel against impulsive pressure

# Multi-layered Outer Chamber

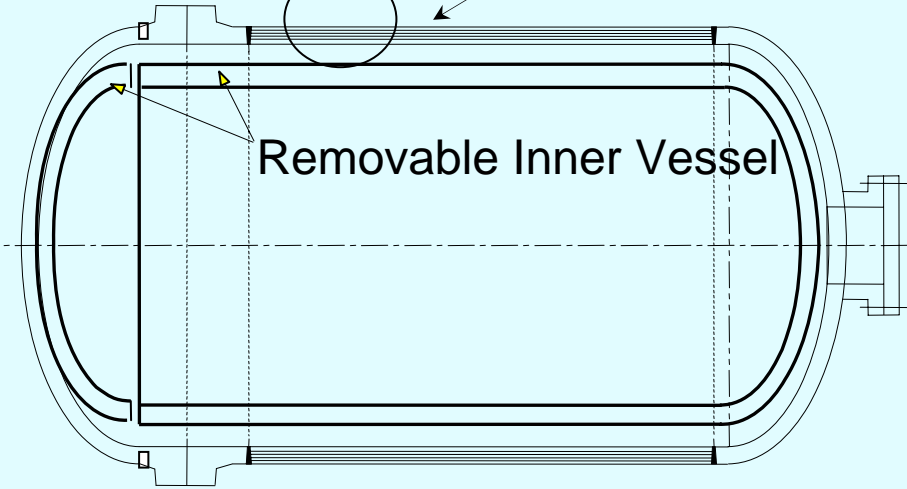
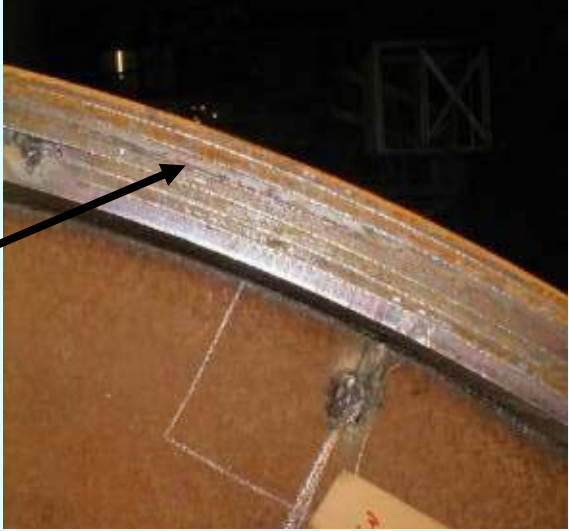
Detection hole to monitor the leakage from the 1<sup>st</sup> layer

Carbon steel



Multiple- Layered Outer Chamber

Removable Inner Vessel



# DAVINCH™ in operation



Remote Operation

# Examination & Improvement

- Longer Chamber
- Minimize Amount of Explosives
- Improve Setting Method of Bombs
- Trace Arsenic Behavior
- Data acquisition of pressure, strain, composition of off-gas for further improvement
- Cleansing Shot
- Application of Cold Plasma

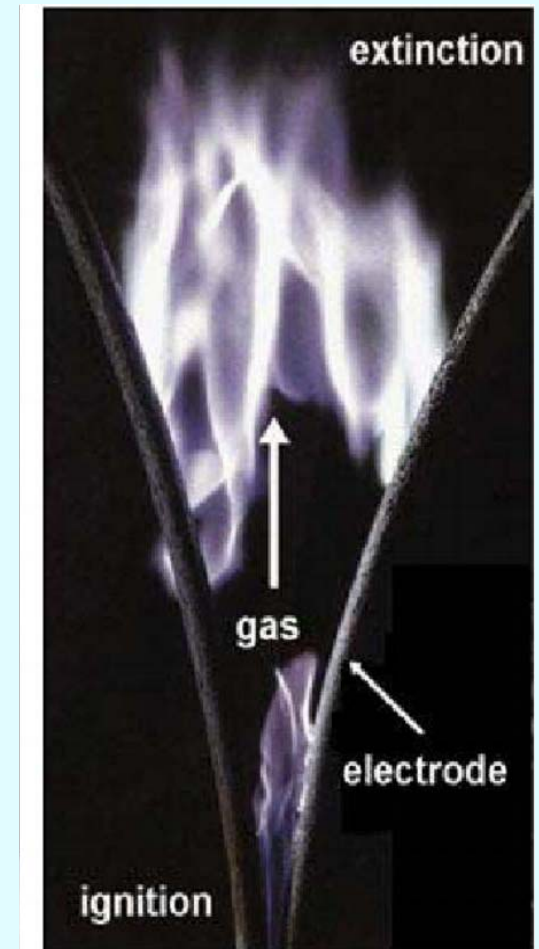
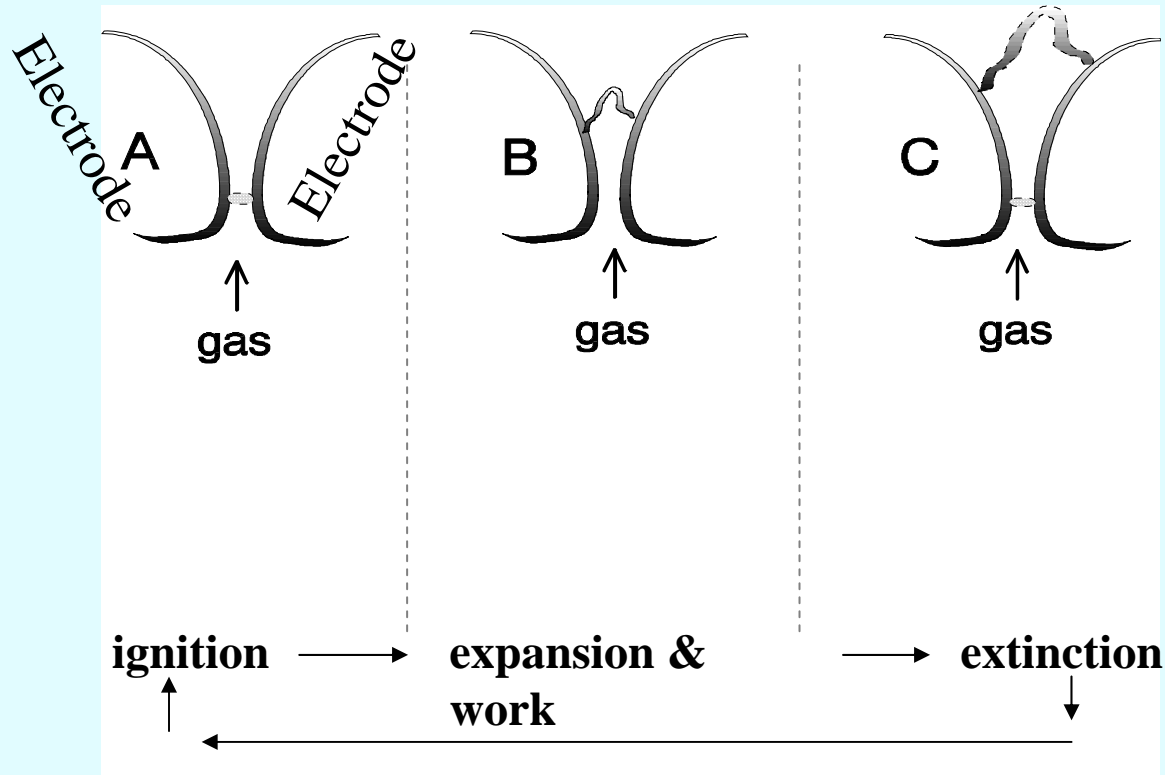


# Cold Plasma

- Compact
- High efficiency burning
- Low power requirement
- Rapid start-up



# Cold Plasma GlidArc Operating Principle



**Thank you !**

**Hope we can be of service to you!!**

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