

## 旧佐世保海兵团第八号兵舎

(海上自衛隊平瀬庁舎)

The Imperial Japanese Navy Sasebo Naval Boot Camp (Sasebo Kaihei-Dan) 8th Barracks

(Hirase Office Building of Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force Sasebo)

この建物は、佐世保海兵団第八号兵舎として昭和12年(1937)に完成したものである。佐世保海兵団は明治22年(1889)に本部庁舎と2棟の煉瓦造兵舎を中心施設として発足した。海兵団は新兵の徴募と育成が重要な任務であり、日本海軍の勢力拡大に伴って海兵団の施設も兵舎を中心に充実が図られ、最終的には10棟の兵舎が建てられた。

第八号兵舎は鉄骨鉄筋コンクリート3階建てで、モダニズム建築が浸透していた昭和10年代らしいシンプルな建物で、兵舎等にL型に便所棟が付属している。梁や柱を特に太くした耐爆構造を取り入れていることが大きな特徴である。

This building was completed in 1937 as the 8th barracks of Sasebo Naval Boot Camp (Sasebo Kaihei-Dan). Sasebo Naval Boot Camp was established in 1889 with the main facilities such as the headquarters building and two brick-made barracks. Its main purposes were to enlist new recruits and provide them with military training. As the Imperial Japanese Navy expanded rapidly, its facilities were improved accordingly to meet the Navy's requirements. Eventually, as many as ten barracks were built.

The 8th barracks is a simple reinforced-concrete three-story building influenced by modernist architecture which was popular in the 1930s. An L-shaped restroom facility was attached to the main building. One remarkable feature of the building is its explosion-proof structure with thick beams and columns.



