Cover image: Captain Korent at his home in Majuro, looking at a wave map prepared by physicist John Huth. Photo courtesy of Mark Peterson/Redux, 2015.
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