

AN ARMoured REGIMENT (MEDIUM TANKS)  
(TROPICAL SCALE)

Consisting of –

Regimental headquarters – 4 tanks

Headquarters squadron of –

Squadron headquarters

Administrative troop

Three squadrons, each of –

Squadron headquarters – 4 tanks

Four troops – each of 3 tanks

## WAR ESTABLISHMENT

| Detail  | Battalion headquarters | Headquarters squadron |                      |                              | Three squadrons (each) |                   |                | Total, armoured regiment (medium tanks)(tropical scale) |
|---|------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------|----------------|---|
|   |                        | Squadron headquarters | Administrative troop | Total, headquarters squadron | Squadron headquarters  | Four troop (each) | Total squadron |   |
| Lieutenant-colonel                                  | 1                      |                       |                      |                              |                        |                   |                | 1   |
| Majors  | 1                      | 1                     |                      | 1                            | 1                      |                   | 1              | 5   |
| Captains –  |                        |                       |                      |                              |                        |                   |                |   |
| Adjutant  | 1                      |                       |                      |                              |                        |                   |                | 1   |
| Liaison officer                                     |                        | 1                     |                      | 1                            |                        |                   |                | 1   |
| Quatermaster  |                        |                       | 1                    | 1                            |                        |                   |                | 1   |
| Transport officer                                   |                        |                       | 1                    | 1                            |                        |                   |                | 1   |
| Captains  |                        | 1                     |                      | 1                            | (a)2                   |                   | 2              | 7   |
| Lieutenants –                                       |                        |                       |                      |                              |                        |                   |                |   |
| Intelligence officer                                | 1                      |                       |                      |                              |                        |                   |                | 1   |
| Signal officer                                      | (b)                    |                       |                      |                              |                        |                   |                |   |
| Lieutenants   | (c)1                   |                       |                      |                              |                        | 1                 | 4              | 13  |
| Total, officers                                     | 5                      | 3                     | 2                    | 5                            | 3                      | 1                 | 7              | 31  |
| Warrant officer class I (regimental sergeant-major) | 1                      |                       |                      |                              |                        |                   |                | 1   |
| Warrant officers class II                           |                        |                       |                      |                              |                        |                   |                |   |
| Regimental quartermaster-sergeant                   |                        |                       | 1                    | 1                            |                        |                   |                | 1   |
| Quartermaster-sergeant (technical)                  |                        |                       | 1                    | 1                            |                        |                   |                | 1   |
| Squadron sergeant-majors                            |                        | 1                     |                      | 1                            | 1                      |                   | 1              | 4   |
| Total, warrant officers                             | 1                      | 1                     | 2                    | 3                            | 1                      |                   | 1              | 7   |
| Squadron quartermaster-sergeants                    |                        |                       | 1                    | 1                            | 1                      |                   | 1              | 4   |
| Sergeants –   |                        |                       |                      |                              |                        |                   |                |   |
| Intelligence  | 1                      |                       |                      |                              |                        |                   |                | 1   |
| Orderly room  |                        |                       | (d)2                 | 2                            |                        |                   |                | 2   |
| Provost   |                        |                       | 1                    | 1                            |                        |                   |                | 1   |
| Signal  |                        |                       | 1                    | 1                            |                        |                   |                | 1   |

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|   |                        | Squadron headquarters | Administrative troop | Total, headquarters squadron | Squadron headquarters  | Four troop (each) | Total squadron |  |
| Tailor  |                        |                       | 1                    | 1                            |                        |                   |                | 1  |
| Technical stores  |                        |                       | 1                    | 1                            |                        |                   |                | 1  |
| Transport   |                        |                       | 1                    | 1                            | 1                      |                   | 1              | 4  |
| Sergeants   | 2                      |                       | 1                    | 1                            | 3                      | 1                 | 7              | 24   |
| Total, staff sergeants and sergeants                    | 3                      |                       | 9                    | 9                            | 5                      | 1                 | 9              | 39   |
| Corporals   | 3                      |                       | 9                    | 9                            | 5                      | 3                 | 17             | 63   |
| Troopers (includes 53 lance-corporals)                  | 17                     | 3                     | 94                   | 97                           | 41                     | 19                | 117            | 465  |
| Total, rank and file                                    | 20                     | 3                     | 103                  | 106                          | 46                     | 22                | 134            | 528  |
| Total, other ranks                                      | 24                     | 4                     | 114                  | 118                          | 52                     | 23                | 144            | 574  |
| Total, all ranks  | 29                     | 7                     | 116                  | 123                          | 55                     | 24                | 151            | 605  |
| Attached –  |                        |                       |                      |                              |                        |                   |                |  |
| A.A.Ch.D. –   |                        |                       |                      |                              |                        |                   |                |  |
| Chaplain 4th class                                      |                        |                       | 1                    | 1                            |                        |                   |                | 1  |
| Batman-driver   |                        |                       | 1                    | 1                            |                        |                   |                | 1  |
| A.A.M.C. –  |                        |                       |                      |                              |                        |                   |                |  |
| Captain   |                        |                       | 1                    | 1                            |                        |                   |                | 1  |
| Sergeant (hygiene inspector)                            |                        |                       | 1                    | 1                            |                        |                   |                | 1  |
| Sergeant  |                        |                       | 1                    | 1                            |                        |                   |                | 1  |
| Corporals   |                        |                       |                      |                              | 1                      |                   | 1              | 3  |
| A.A.O.C. –  |                        |                       |                      |                              |                        |                   |                |  |
| Corporal (shoemaker)                                    |                        |                       | 1                    | 1                            |                        |                   |                | 1  |
| A.A.C.C. –  |                        |                       |                      |                              |                        |                   |                |  |
| Warrant officer class II (caterer)                      |                        |                       | 1                    | 1                            |                        |                   |                | 1  |
| Sergeants   |                        |                       | 1                    | 1                            | 1                      |                   | 1              | 4  |
| Corporals   |                        |                       | 1                    | 1                            | 1                      |                   | 1              | 4  |
| Privates (trade group II)                               |                        |                       | 3                    | 3                            | 2                      |                   | 2              | 9  |
| A.A.P.C. –  |                        |                       |                      |                              |                        |                   |                |  |
| Sergeant  |                        |                       | 1                    | 1                            |                        |                   |                | 1  |
| Corporal  |                        |                       | 1                    | 1                            |                        |                   |                | 1  |
| A.A. Postal Service                                     |                        |                       | 1                    | 1                            |                        |                   |                | 1  |
| Sergeant  |                        |                       | 1                    | 1                            |                        |                   |                | 1  |
| Total, all ranks, including attached                    | 29                     | 7                     | 131                  | 138                          | 60                     | 24                | 156            | 635  |
| (ii) Distribution of rank and file by trades and duties |                        |                       |                      |                              |                        |                   |                |  |
| Trade group II  |                        |                       |                      |                              |                        |                   |                |  |
| Carpenter   |                        |                       | 1                    | 1                            |                        |                   |                | 1  |
| Driver-operators  | (e)6                   | 2                     | 5                    | 7                            | (e)7                   | (e)5              | 27             | 94   |
| Gunner-operators  | 3                      |                       |                      |                              | 7                      | 7                 | 35             | 108  |
| Intelligence duties                                     |                        |                       |                      |                              | (e)1                   |                   | 1              | 3  |
| Trade group III   |                        |                       |                      |                              |                        |                   |                |  |
| Butcher   |                        |                       | 1                    | 1                            |                        |                   |                | 1  |

| Detail               | Battalion headquarters | Headquarters squadron |                      |                              | Three squadrons (each) |                   |                | Total, armoured regiment (medium tanks)(tropical scale) |
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|                      |                        | Squadron headquarters | Administrative troop | Total, headquarters squadron | Squadron headquarters  | Four troop (each) | Total squadron |   |
| Clerks               |                        |                       | (f)6                 | 6                            | (e)2                   |                   | 2              | 12  |
| Driver-mechanics     | (e)6                   | 1                     | (e)10                | 11                           | (e)6                   | (e)5              | 26             | 95  |
| Equipment repairer   |                        |                       | 1                    | 1                            |                        |                   |                | 1   |
| Tailor               |                        |                       | (e)1                 | 1                            |                        |                   |                | 1   |
| Storemen, technical  |                        |                       | (e)4                 | 4                            | (e)1                   |                   | 1              | 7   |
| Non-specialist       |                        |                       |                      |                              |                        |                   |                |   |
| Batmen               |                        |                       | 12                   | 12                           | 7                      |                   | 7              | 33  |
| Drivers, M.T.        | (e)1                   |                       | (g)54                | 54                           | 2                      |                   | 2              | 61  |
| Gun numbers          | 4                      |                       |                      |                              | 10                     | (e)5              | 30             | 94  |
| Hygiene dutymen      |                        |                       | 2                    | 2                            | 1                      |                   | 1              | 5   |
| Regimental polices   |                        |                       | 3                    | 3                            |                        |                   |                | 3   |
| Storemen             |                        |                       | 2                    | 2                            | 1                      |                   | 1              | 5   |
| Water dutymen        |                        |                       | 1                    | 1                            | 1                      |                   | 1              | 4   |
| Total, rank and file | 20                     | 3                     | 103                  | 106                          | 46                     | 22                | 134            | 528   |

(iii) Transport

|                      |    |
|----------------------|----|
| Trucks, ¼-ton        | 45 |
| Trucks, 2½-ton, G.S. | 13 |
| Truck, 3-ton, water  | 1  |
| Tanks, M3, medium    | 52 |
| Trailers –           |    |
| 8-cwt                | 40 |
| 8-cwt for water      | 3  |

| Detail                                   | Number | Ammunition - rounds |         |         |
|--|--------|---------------------|---------|---------|
|  |        | On man or with gun  | Reserve | Total   |
| Pistols, .38-inch                        | 448    | 12                  | 2,688   | 8,064   |
| Rifles, .303-inch                        | 101    | 50                  | 10,000  | 15,050  |
| Rifles, .303-inch for attached personnel | 21     | 20                  |         | 420     |
| Sub machine guns                         | 59     | 200                 | 23,600  | 35,400  |
| A.A.L.M.Gs., .303-inch                   | 14     | 1,000               | 7,000   | 21,000  |
| Tanks, M3, medium (52)                   |        |                     |         |         |
| 37-mm guns                               | 52     | 139                 | 3,588   | 10,816  |
| 75-mm guns                               | 52     | 65                  | 1,716   | 5,096   |
| Brownings, cal .30                       | 104    | 3,000               | 156,000 | 468,000 |
| Sub machine guns                         | 104    | 300                 | 15,600  | 46,800  |
| Pistols, signal                          | 52     | 12                  | 312     | 936     |
| Bomb throwers, 2-inch                    | 52     |                     |         |         |
| Bombs, smoke                             |        | 30                  | 780     | 2,340   |
| Grenades, No. 36M, hand                  | 6      | 156                 | 468     |         |
| Grenades, 77 W.P.                        |        | 10                  | 260     | 780     |

- (a) Includes one 2nd in command, who commands half the squadron when it is operating detached and one rear link.
- (b) One lieutenant, Aust Corps of Signals will be attached for the Armoured Regiment Signal Troop, Australina Corps of Signals (Tropical Scale) for duty as regimental signal officer.
- (c) Commands headquarters tank.
- (d) One will be attached to Echelon and Records.
- (e) Includes or is a corporal.
- (f) Includes 2 corporals.
- (g) Includes 4 corporals.

#### NOTES ON FIRST REINFORCEMENTS AND ATTACHED

##### Details left at base

|                                       |     |
|---------------------------------------|-----|
| Orderly room sergeant                 | 1   |
| First reinforcements                  |     |
| Captain                               | 1   |
| Lieutenants                           | 5   |
| Rank and file (includes 6 corporals)  | 74  |
| (Includes –                           |     |
| Driver-operators (trade group II)     | 13  |
| Gunner-operators (trade group III)    | 15  |
| Clerks (trade group III)              | 2   |
| Driver-mechanics (trade group III)    | 13  |
| Storeman, technical (trade group III) | 1   |
| Drivers, M.T.                         | 9   |
| Gun numbers                           | 13) |

1. At least one officer and 20 other ranks will be trained in anti-gas duties and decontamination work'
2. On man in each squadron will be trained to repair boots as a part time employment.
3. The driver of the trucks, 3-ton, water will be trained in water duties.