

HEADQUARTERS, AN ARMoured BRIGADE

WAR ESTABLISHMENT

(i) PERSONNEL

| Detail | Fighting group | Office and reconnaissance group | Administrative | Total, headquarters, an armoured brigade |
|--|----------------|---------------------------------|----------------|--|
| Commander (brigadier) | 1 | | | 1 |
| STAFF | | | | |
| Brigade major | 1 | | | 1 |
| General staff officer, 3rd grade | 1 | | | 1 |
| Staff captain | 1 | | | 1 |
| Total, staff | 3 | 1 | | 4 |
| HEADQUARTER SQUADRON | | | | |
| Major | | | 1 | 1 |
| Captain | (a)1 | | 1 | 2 |
| Brigade intelligence officer (subaltern) | 1 | | | 1 |
| Captains or lieutenants (for liaison) | 3 | | | 3 |
| Subaltern | 1 | | | 1 |
| Liaison officer (subaltern) | | 1 | | 1 |
| Total, officers | 6 | 1 | 2 | 9 |
| Regimental quarter-master-serjeant | | | 1 | 1 |
| Quarter-master-serjeant (technical) | | | 1 | 1 |
| Clerk, R.A.C. (b) | | 1 | | 1 |
| Squadron serjeant-major | | | 1 | 1 |
| Mechanist quarter-master-serjeant | | | 1 | 1 |
| Total, warrant officers | | 1 | 4 | 5 |
| Clerks, R.A.C. (b) | | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Mechanist | | | 1 | 1 |
| Serjeants | 5 | 1 | 1 | 7 |
| Total, serjeants | 5 | 2 | 3 | 10 |
| Corporals (includes 1 lance-serjeant) | 14 | 2 | 4 | 20 |
| Troopers (includes 9 lance-corporals) | 40 | 11 | (c)87 | 138 |
| Total, rank and file | 54 | 13 | 91 | 158 |
| Total, other ranks | 59 | 16 | 98 | 173 |
| Total, headquarters squadron | 65 | 17 | 100 | 182 |
| SERVICES | | | | |
| R.A.S.C.— | | | | |
| Captain | | | 1 | 1 |
| Clerk (corporal) (b) | | | 1 | 1 |
| Batman-driver | | | 1 | 1 |
| Orderly | | | 1 | 1 |
| R.A.Ch.D.— | | | | |
| Chaplains | | | 4 | 4 |
| R.A.O.C.— | | | | |
| Clerk (warrant officer, class 1) (acts as brigade warrant officer) | | | 1 | 1 |
| A.C.C.— | | | | |
| Cooks (includes 1 corporal) | | | 6 | 6 |

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|--|----------------|---------------------------------|----------------|--|
| Total, services | | | 15 | 15 |
| Total, headquarters, an armoured brigade | 68 | 18 | 115 | (f)201 |
| (ii) DISTRIBUTION OF RANK AND FILE BY TRADES AND DUTIES | | | | |
| Tradesmen— | | | | |
| Clerks, R.A.C. (b) | | (d)3 | 1 | 4 |
| Driver-mechanics, A.F.V. | 17 | | 1 | 18 |
| Driver-operators | 13 | | | 13 |
| Gunner-operators | 8 | | 4 | 12 |
| Gunner-mechanics | 7 | | 9 | 16 |
| Electrician } (includes 1 corporal and 1 lance-corporal) | | | 1 | 1 |
| Fitters } | | | 3 | 3 |
| Motor-mechanics (includes 1 corporal and 1 lance-corporal) | 1 | | 5 | 6 |
| Storemen (technical) (includes 1 corporal) | | | 2 | 2 |
| Total, tradesmen | 46 | 3 | 26 | 75 |
| Non-tradesmen (e) | | | | |
| Batmen | | | 12 | 12 |
| Batmen-drivers | | 1 | 4 | 5 |
| Drivers, I.C. | 8 | 4 | 37 | 49 |
| Motor-cyclists | | 5 | 6 | 11 |
| Officers' mess N.C.O. (lance-serjeant) | | | 1 | 1 |
| Storemen | | | 2 | 2 |
| Sanitary dutymen | | | 2 | 2 |
| Water dutyman | | | 1 | 1 |
| Total, non-tradesmen | 8 | 10 | 65 | 83 |
| Total, rank and file of headquarters squadron | 54 | 13 | 91 | 158 |
| (iii) TRANSPORT | | | | |
| Motor-cycles, solo | | 6 | 8 | 14 |
| Cars, 2-seater, 4 x 2 | | 2 | 4 | 6 |
| Cars, 4-seater, 4 x 2 | | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Trucks, 15-cwt, 4 x 2,— | | | | |
| G.S. | | 1 | | 1 |
| Personnel | | | 2 | 2 |
| Water | | | 1 | 1 |
| Office | | 1 | | 1 |
| Lorries, 3-ton, 4 x 4, G.S. (1 fitted for stores) | | | 9 | 9 |
| Carrier, slave battery | | | 1 | 1 |
| Scout cars | 9 | | | 9 |
| Tanks, cruiser | 10 | | | 10 |
| Scissors bridges | 3 | | | 3 |
| Armoured cars, A.A. | 2 | | | 2 |
| R. Signals transport | | | | |
| Trucks, 15-cwt., 4 x 2, wireless | | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Armoured command vehicle | 1 | | | 1 |
| Total, vehicles (less motor-cycles) | 24 | 5 | 19 | 48 |
| (iv) WEAPONS | | | | |
| Pistols, .38-inch | 44 | 10 | 46 | 100 |
| Rifles, .303-inch | 9 | 3 | 51 | 63 |

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| Machine carbines, .45-inch | 15 | 5 | 14 | 34 |
| L.M.Gs., .303-inch | 9 | | | 9 |
| Twin L.M.Gs., .303-inch | | 1 | 4 | 5 |
| A.Tk. rifles, .55-inch | | 1 | 4 | 5 |
| Grenades No. 75 | | | | 72 |

(v) ORGANISATION

NOTE: The organisation may be varied, within the number of ranks, tradesmen and vehicles provided, according to tactical and administrative requirements. Tanks are fully equipped with weapons and ammunition and wireless sets.

Signals vehicles attached, and tanks, are equipped with wireless sets, No. 19

The armoured fighting vehicles with which headquarters on this establishment are equipped, will vary and may consist of a combination of the various marks of tanks in service at any given time.

Tank armament and equipment will be issued in conformity with the scales applying to the actual A.F.Vs. by marks, which the unit holds on charge, within the numbers authorised by this establishment.

These scales will be given in A.F. G.1098

| FIGHTING GROUP | | | | OFFICE AND RECONNAISSANCE GROUP | | | |
|---|---|-----|--|---------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------|-----|
| | | | | Tank cruiser | 9 | Subaltern | (P) |
| <i>Armoured command vehicle, R.</i> | Brigadier | (P) | | Driver | | | (S) |
| <i>Signals Signal section</i> | Brigade major | (P) | | Operator | | | (P) |
| | Brigade intelligence officer (subaltern) | (P) | | Gunner | | | (P) |
| | <i>Squadron commander R. Signals Driver</i> | | | Tank cruiser | 10 | Serjeant | (P) |
| | <i>2 Operators</i> | | | Corporal | | | (P) |
| Tank cruiser (rear link) | 1 General staff officer | | | Driver | | | (S) |
| | 3rd grade | (P) | | Operator | | | (P) |
| | Serjeant | (P) | | Armoured car A.A. | 1 | Serjeant | (P) |
| | Driver | (S) | | Driver | | | (S) |
| | <i>Signalman</i> | | | Gunner | | | (P) |
| Trank cruiser (air) | 2 <i>Signal officer</i> | | | Armoured car A.A. | 2 | Corporal | (P) |
| | Corporal | (P) | | Driver | | | (S) |
| | Driver | (S) | | Gunner | | | (P) |
| | <i>Signalman</i> | | | Scout car L.M.G. | 1 | Serjeant | (P) |
| Tank cruiser (control) | 3 Intelligence serjeant | (P) | | Driver-operator | | | (R) |
| | Corporal | (P) | | Scout cars L.M.G. | 2 and 3 (each) | Corporal | (P) |
| | Driver | (S) | | Driver-operator | | | (R) |
| | <i>Signalman</i> | | | Scout cars L.M.G. | 4 and 5 (each) | Driver-operator | (R) |
| Trank cruiser (B echelon transport and spare) | 4 Corporal | (P) | | Driver, I.C. | | | (P) |
| | Driver | (S) | | Scout cars, L.M.G. | 6, 7, 8 and 9 (each) | Driver, I.C. | (R) |
| | Gunner-mechanic | (P) | | Scissors bridges (each) | 1 and 2 | Corporal | (P) |
| | <i>Signalman</i> | | | Driver-mechanic | | | (S) |
| Tank cruiser (each) | 5,6 and 7 Captain or lieutenant (liaison officer) | (P) | | Scissor bridge | 3 | Corporal | (P) |
| | Corporal | (P) | | Motor-mechanic | | | (S) |
| | Driver | (S) | | | | | |
| | Operator | (P) | | | | | |
| Tank cruiser | 8 Captain | (P) | | | | | |
| | Corporal | (P) | | | | | |
| | Driver | (S) | | | | | |
| | Operator | (P) | | | | | |

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|---|--|--|---|---|
| Truck, 15-cwt., wireless, R. Signals | Corporal operator Staff captain (P) 3 signalmen Serjeant clerk R.A.C. (P) | Truck 15-cwt., personnel (officers' mess stores) | 2 | Officers' mess corporal (R) 2 batmen (2R) Officers' mess cook (R) Driver, I.C. (S) |
| Truck, 15-cwt., G.S. Twin L.M.G. A.Tk. rifle | Driver, I.C. (S) Clerk (R) | Carrier, slave battery | | Driver-mechanic (R) Electrician (R) |
| Truck, 15-cwt., office (office equipment) | Clerk, warrant officer, R.A.C. (P) Corporal clerk, R.A.C. (R) Clerk (R) Driver, I.C. (S) | Lorry, 3-ton (Quartermaster sores, baggage, reserve clothing and anti-gas equipment) | 1 | Regimental quartermaster-serjeant (P) Serjeant clerk R.A.C. (P) Storeman (R) 4 batmen (4R) Cook, A.C.C. (R) 2 drivers, I.C. (R)(S) |
| Motor-cycles | 1-6 Provost serjeant (P) Provost corporal (P) 4 motor-cyclists (4P) | Twin L.M.G. A.Tk. rifle | | |
| ADMINISITRATIVE GROUP | | | | |
| Motor-cycle | 1 Clerk, warrant officer class I R.A.O.C. (P) | Lorry, 3-ton (cooking set) | 2 | Corporal cook A.C.C. (R) Sanitary dutyman (R) 3 cooks, A.C.C. (3R) 2 drivers, I.C. (R)(S) |
| Motor-cycle | 2 Motor-cyclist orderly R.A.S.C. (P) | Lorry, 3-ton Petrol | 3 | Motor mechanic (R) 2 fitters (2R) 2 drivers, I.C. (R)(S) |
| Motor-cycles | 3-8 6 motor-cyclists (6P) | Twin L.M.G. A.Tk. rifle | | |
| Car, 4-seater | 1 Captain R.A.S.C. (P) Corporal clerk R.A.S.C. (R) Batman-driver R.A.S.C. (S) | Lorry, 3-ton Ammunition | 4 | Motor mechanic (R) Storeman (R) 3 relief personnel (3P) 2 drivers, I.C. (R)(S) |
| Car, 4-seater | 2 Commander head-quarters squadron (P) Squadron serjeant-major (P) Clerk, R.A.C. (R) Driver, I.C. (S) | Lorry, 3-ton Ammunition | 5 | Motor mechanic (R) 3 batmen (3R) 2 drivers, I.C. (R)(S) |
| Cars, 2-seater (each) | 1, 2, 3 and 4 Chaplain (Q) Batman-driver (R) | Twin L.M.G. A.Tk. rifle | | |
| Truck, 15-cwt., water | Water dutyman (R) Driver, I.C. (S) (trained in water duties) | Lorry, 3-ton | 6 | Serjeant (P) 13 relief personnel (13P) 2 drivers, I.C. (R)(S) Sanitary dutyman (R) |
| Truck, 15-cwt., wireless R. Signals | Captain (2nd-in-command head-quarter squadron) (P) Batman (R) 3 signalmen | Lorry, 3-ton Twin L.M.G. A.Tk. rifle | 7 | Corporal and 11 relief personnel (12P) 2 batmen (2R) 2 drivers, I.C. (R)(S) |
| Truck, 15-cwt personnel (stores and fitters' tools) | 1 Quartermaster-serjeant (technical) (P) Mechanist quartermaster-serjeant (P) Mechanist serjeant (P) Motor mechanic (R) Storeman (technical) (R) Driver, I.C. (S) | Lorry, 3-ton (fitted for stores) Stores and fitters tools | 9 | Motor mechanic (R) Fitter (R) Corporal storeman (technical) (R) 2 drivers, I.C. (R)(S) |

- Commands protective troop.
- Of the total clerks, R.A.C. or R.A.S.C. one may be group "B" tradesman (shorthand-writer)
- Includes 26 relief personnel.
- One to be trained in the reproduction of tactical sketches.
- Batmen, batmen-drivers, motor-cyclists, officers' mess servans, sanitary dutymen, non-technical storemen, orderlies and 12 drivers, I.C. for wheeled vehicles may be found from units of other arms within the division.
- At least one officer and 12 rank and file will be trained in anti-gas duties and decontamination work.

NOTE

Allotment of weapons is shown as follwos:— (P) = pistol; (R) = rifle; (S) = machinie carbine; (Q) shows personnel unarmed.

NOTES ON FIRST REINFORCEMENTS, ATTACHED PERSONNEL AND 2ND LINE R.A.S.C.

Details left at base—

First reinforcements for this headquarters will be detailed to base depots by officers in charge of records under instructions from the War Office.

Attached—

Postal - see W.E. of a Divisional Postal Unit (Armoured Division) in Vol. II

R. Signals - see W.E. of Armoured Divisional Signals in Vol. II

For 2nd line transport, R.A.S.C. - See W.Es. of R.A.S.C. in Vol. II