#### German Army Authorized Strength 20mm Army Flak Battery

# (Part motZ, part Self Propelled) (Freie Gliederung) 1 June 1944

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Staff
1 Battery Commander (officer)
     1 pistol & 1 submachine gun
1 Reconnaissance/Scissors Telescope NCO
     1 submachine gun
1 Air Warning NCO
    1 rifle
1 Driver/Messenger
    1 rifle & 1 light four seat passenger vehicle (volkswagen)
2 Air Warning Soldiers
    2 rifles
1 Motorcycle Messenger
     1 rifle & 1 350ccm motorcycle
1 Driver
     1 rifle & 1 light four seat passenger vehicle (volkswagen)
Signals Squad:
1 Telephone Talker and Radio Operator/Squad Leader (NCO)
     1 submachine gun
1 Driver
     1 rifle & 1 light four seat passenger vehicle (volkswagen)
     (mot) Medium Field Cable Troop (12):
     1 Troop Leader (NCO)
         1 submachine gun
     4 Telephone Talkers
          4 rifles
     1 Driver
          1 rifle & 1 2-ton truck
     Portable Radio Troop iMw:
     2 Radio Operators
          1 pistol & 1 rifle
     1st (mot) Portable Radio Troop iMw:
     1 Troop Leader (NCO)
          1 submachine gun
     2 Radio Operators
          2 rifles & 1 light four seat passenger vehicle
     2nd (mot) Portable Radio Troop iMw:
     3 Radio Operators
          3 rifles & 1 light four seat passenger vehicle
     (mot) Light Radio Troop 30 Mw:
     1 Troop Leader (NCO)
          1 submachine qun
     2 Radio Operators
          2 rifles
     1 Driver
          1 rifle & 1 2-ton truck
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Gun Squad:
1st Platoon:
1 Platoon Leader (officer)
    1 submachine gun
1 Reconnaissance NCO
    1 rifle
1 Air Warning Soldier
    1 rifle
1 Assistant Master Gunsmith
     1 rifle
1 Motorcycle Messenger
     1 rifle & 1 350ccm motorcycle
1 Driver
     1 rifle & 1 light four seat passenger vehicle (volkswagen)
     Gun Platoon:
     3 Gun Captains
         3 rifles
     9 Gunners (including 2 machine gunners)
          8 rifles, 1 pistol, 1 light machine gun, and
          3 20mm Flak 38 guns
     3 Truck Drivers
          3 rifles, 3 2-ton trucks, & 3 Sd Ah 51 20mm Gun Trailers
2nd Platoon:
     same as 1st, but officer replaced by NCO
3rd Platoon:
     same as 2nd Platoon
4th Platoon:
1 Platoon Leader (officer)
    1 pistol & 1 submachine gun
1 Reconnaissance NCO
    1 rifle
1 Air Warning Soldier
    1 rifle
1 Assistant Master Gunsmith
    1 rifle
1 Motorcycle Messenger
     1 rifle & 1 350ccm motorcycle
1 Driver
     1 rifle & 1 light four seat passenger vehicle (volkswagen)
    Gun Platoon:
     2 Gun Captains
          2 rifles
     12 Gunners (including 2 machine gunners
          11 rifles, 1 pistol, 1 light machine gun,
          2 Quad 20mm Flak 38 guns
     2 Truck Drivers
          2 rifles, 2 Sd Kfz 7/1 self propelled gun carriages,
          & 2 Sd Ah 51 20mm Gun Trailers
Light Searchlight Squad:
1 Squad Leader (NCO)
     1 submachine gun
4 Searchlight Captains (NCOs)
     4 rifles
8 Search Light Operators
     8 rifles & 4 600mm searchlights
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- 4 Truck Drivers
  - 4 rifles, 4 2-ton trucks, & 4 Sd Ah 51 Searchlight Trailers
- 1 Driver
  - 1 rifle & 1 light four seat passenger vehicle (volkswagen)

#### Munition Squad:

- 1 Squad Leader (NCO)
  - 1 submachine gun
- 3 Munitions Handlers
  - 3 rifles
- 6 Air Warning Soldiers (including 1 machine gunner)
  - 5 rifles, 1 pistol, 1 light machine gun
- 2 Truck Drivers
  - 2 rifles & 2 3-ton Trucks for munitions

## Vehicle Maintenance:

 $\overline{1}$  NCO,  $\overline{3}$  troops,  $\overline{3}$  rifles, 1 submachine gun, 1 light four seat passenger vehicle, & 1 2-ton truck

#### Baggage:

6 NCOs, 6 soldiers, 9 rifles, 2 pistols, 1 submachine gun, 1 3-ton truck field kitchen, 1 3-ton truck fuel truck, 1 3-ton truck for equipment, 1 Sd Ah 51 trailer for supplies.

## Totals:

	Officers	Clerks	NCOs	Soldiers
Staff	1	_	3	4
Signals Squad	_	_	4	16
Gun Squad	2	_	17	71
Searchlight Squad	_	_	5	12
Munitions Squad	_	_	1	11
Vehicle Maintenance	_	_	1	3
Battery Baggage	_	_	6	6
Total	3	_	27	123

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