German Army Authorized Strength Karl (600mm) Battery (Self Propelled Carriage) 1 December 1944

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Staff
1 Battery Commander (officer)
     1 submachine gun
1 Driver
     1 rifle & 1 light four seat passenger vehicle (volkswagen)
1 Advanced Observation Officer
     1 submachine gun
1 Observation NCO
     1 submachine gun
2 Scissors Telescope (NCOs)
     2 pistols
1 Gun Fire Control Troop Leader (NCO)
    1 rifle
1 Motorcycle Messenger
     1 rifle & 1 350ccm motorcycle
3 Gun Fire Control Technicians
     2 rifles & 1 pistol
2 Drivers
     2 rifles & 2 light four seat passenger vehicles (volkswagen)
Signals Squad:
1 Telephone and Radio Squad Leader (NCO)
     1 submachine gun
1 Operator for T-Receiver
    1 rifle
1 Radio Repairman
     1 rifle
     1st (mot) Medium Field Cable Troop 12
     1 Troop Leader (NCOs)
          1 rifle
     4 Telephone Talkers
          4 rifles
     1 Truck Driver
          1 rifle & 1 2-ton truck
     2nd (mot) Medium Field Cable Troop 12
          same as 1st
     Portable Radio Troop i Mw:
     2 Radio Operators
          2 rifles
     1st (mot) Portable Radio Troop i Mw:
     1 Troop Leader (NCO)
          1 rifle
     2 Radio Operators
          2 rifles & 1 light four seat passenger vehicle (volkswagen)
     2nd (mot) Portable Radio Troop i Mw:
          same as 1st Troop
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Gun Squad:
1 Battery Officer
    1 pistol & 1 submachine gun
1 Pyrotechnician
    1 pistol
1 Gun Captain (NCO)
     1 pistol
1 Gun Fire Control Technician
     1 rifle
1 Gun Driver (NCO)
    1 pistol
1 Corpsman (NCO)
    1 pistol
14 Gunners
    14 rifles & 1 600mm Karl Self Propelled Mörser
3 Machine Gunners
     3 pistols & 3 light machine guns
1 Motorcycle Messenger
    1 rifle & 1 350ccm motorcycle with sidecar
1 Assistant Driver
    1 rifle
1 Driver
     1 rifle & 1 light four seat passenger vehicle (volkswagen)
3 Truck Drivers
     3 rifles & 3 4.5 ton trucks
6 Half Track Drivers
     6 rifles, 4 Sd Kfz 8 (12 ton) & 2 Sd Kfz 9 (18 ton) half tracks
3 Armored Vehicle Drivers
     3 pistols & 3 Munitions Schleppers (Mk IV)
1 10 axle Railroad Car for railroad movement
1 16 wheel road vehicle
1 24 wheel road vehicle
Crane Troop:
1 Troop leader (NCO)
     1 pistol
8 Crane Operators
     8 rifles
1 Half Track Driver
     1 rifle & 1 Sd Kfz 8 (12 ton) half track
1 35 ton crane on special vehicle
Munitions Squad:
1 Squad Leader (NCO)
    1 submachine gun
12 Munitions Handlers
    12 rifles
2 Truck Drivers
     2 rifles & 2 4.5 ton trucks
1 16 wheel trailer
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Vehicle Maintenance

2 NCOs, 5 soldiers, 6 rifles, 1 pistol, 1 light four passenger vehicle, 2 2-ton trucks

Flak Platoon:

1 Platoon Leader (NCO)

1 submachine gun

2 Aviation Messengers

2 rifles

1 Assistant Master Gunsmith

1 rifle

1 Truck Driver

1 rifle & 1 3-ton truck

Gun Platoon:

3 Gun Captains (NCOs)

3 rifles

15 Gunners

15 rifles & 3 Twin 37mm Flak 43

1 Range Finder

1 rifle

3 Half track Drivers

3 rifles & 3 Sd Kfz 11 or 4.5 ton trucks

Baggage:

 $\overline{\text{6 NCOs}}$, 10 soldiers, 14 rifles, 1 pistol, 1 submachine gun, 1 bicycle, 5 & 3 ton trucks

Totals:

		Warrant		
	Officers	Officer	NCOs	Soldiers
Staff	2	_	6	6
Signals Squad	_	_	5	18
Battle Battery				
Gun Squad	1	_	5	37
Crane Troop	_	_	1	9
Munitions Squad	_	_	1	14
Vehicle Maintenance	-	_	2	5
Medium Flak Platoon	-	_	4	23
Battery Baggage	_	_	6	10
Total	3	_	30	122

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