# Organization German 3rd and 4th Cavalry Brigades 9 January 1945

### 3rd Cavarly Brigade:

69th Pioneer Squadron: (formerly 3rd Pioneer Company, 3rd Heavy Cavarly Battalion, 3rd Cavalry Brigade)

<u>3rd Flak Squadron/69th Panzerjäger Battalion:</u> (formerly 2nd Flak Company, 3rd Heavy Cavalry Battalion 3rd Cavalry Brigade)

<u>4th Flak Squadron/69th Panzerjäger Battalion</u>: (formerly 3rd Flak Company, 69th Panzerjäger Battalion 3rd Cavalry Brigade)

#### Armored Reconnaissance Battalion

Staff/69th (halftrack) Armored Reconnaissance Battalion
 (formerly Staff, 3rd Heavy Cavarly Battalion, 3rd
 Cavalry Brigade)
1st Light Armored (half track) Panzer Reconnaissance Company

2nd Armored (half track) Panzer Reconnaissance Company 69th (half track) Armored Reconnaissance Battalion (formerly 1st Co, 3rd Heavy Cavarly Battalion, 3rd Cavalry Brigade)

Armored (half track) Reconnaissance Supply Company:

# 4th Cavarly Brigade:

70th Pioneer Squadron:

(formerly 3rd Pioneer Company, 4th Heavy Cavarly Battalion, 4th Cavalry Brigade) Cavalry Brigade) 3rd Flak Squadron/70th Panzerjäger Battalion: (formerly 2nd Flak Company, 4th Heavy Cavarly Battalion, 4th Cavalry Brigade)

Armored Reconnaissance Battalion

<u>Staff/70th (halftrack)</u> <u>Armored Reconnaissance Battalion</u> (formerly Staff, 4th Heavy Cavarly Battalion, 4th

1st Light Armored (half track) Panzer Reconnaissance Company

2nd Armored (half track) Panzer Reconnaissance Company, 70th (half track) Armored Reconnaissance Battalion (formerly 1st Co, 4th Heavy Cavarly Battalion, 4th Cavalry Brigade)

Armored (half track) Reconnaissance Supply Company:

# Theoretical Organization

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Brigade Staff
Staff, Independent Cavarly Brigade (20/0/24/51/95/0/95)
     (organization as of 1 March 1944)
(mot) Divisional Mapping Detachment (0/0/1/7/8/0/8)
     (organization as of 1 October 1943)
(mot) Military Police Detachment (2/0/21/10/33/0/33)
     (organization as of 1 November 1943)
Cavalry Units total (136/6/880/4,696/5,718/496/5,222)
2 Cavalry Regiments, each with:
          1 Staff & Staff Squadron, Cavalry Regiment
          (16/1/52/262/331/36/295)
          (organization as of 1 July 1944)
     2 Battalions
          1 Staff & Staff Squadron, Cavalry Battalion
               (10/1/20/81/112/18/94)
               (organization as of 1 March 1944)
          2 Anti-Tank Platoons (1/0/4/60/65/0/65)
         12 Cavalry Squadrons, Cavalry Regiment
                (3/0/33/186/222/12/210)
                (organization as of 1 January 1945)
          4 Machine Gun Squadrons, Cavarly Regiment
               (3/0/32/152/187/23/164)
               (organization as of 1 March 1944)
          4 Mortar Squadrons, Cavalry Regiment
               (3/0/39/192/234/29/205)
               (organization as of 1 March 1944)
Armored Reconnaissance Battalion:
1 Staff & Staff Company, Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion
     (7/0/37/82/126/0/126)
     (organization as of 1 April 1944)
1 Light Panzer Reconnaissance Company (Half Track) (Freie Gliederung)
     (3/0/38/125/166/0/166)
     (organization as of 1 November 1944)
1 Panzer Reconnaissance Company (Half Track) (Freie Gliederung)
     (3/0/36/151/190/0/190)
     (organization as of 1 July 1944)
1 Supply Company, Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion
     (2/3/59/94/158/28/130)
     (organization as of 1 April 1944)
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Panzerjäger Battalion: 1 Staff & Staff Company, Panzerjäger Battalion (5/0/16/32/53/0/53) (organization as of 1 April 1944) 3 Panzerjäger Companies (Freie Gliederung) (10 guns) (motZ) (3/0/32/25/60/0/60 each)(organization as of 1 April 1944) 1 Flak Company (12 guns) (2/0/34/112/148/9/139) (organization as of 1 April 1944) 1 Supply Company, Panzerjäger Battalion (mixed) (Freie Gliederung) (3/2/46/140/191/21/170) (organization as of 1 April 1944) Artillery: 1 Staff & Staff Battery, (mot) Artillery Regiment (6/0/19/59/84/5/79)(organization as of 1 January 1944) 2 (mot) Battalion Staff (7/0/4/9/20/0/20 each)(organization as of 1 January 1944) 2 Staff Batteries, (mot) Artillery Battalion (3/2/26/87/118/7/111 each) (organization as of 1 June 1944) 4 105mm leFH Batteries (6 guns) (RSO) (3/0/28/86/117/7/110) (organization as of 1 June 1944) 1 Staff, Horse Artillery Battalion, Cavalry Regiment ((6/0/4/9/19/0/19))(organization as of 1 November 1943) 3rd Brigade only: 1 Staff Battery, Horse Artillery Battalion, Artillery Regiment (2/1/17/71/91/9/82)(organization as of 1 November 1943) 3 Field Gun Batteries, (4 guns), Cavalry Regiment (3/0/25/113/141/35/106 each)(organization as of 1 November 1943) 4th Brigade only: 1 Staff & Staff Battery, (mot) 120mm Mortar Battalion (8/2/25/103/138/14/124) (organization as of 1 March 1944) 3 Heavy Mortar Companies, Cavalry Mortar Battalion (3/0/38/149/190/0/190) (organization as of 1 5 May 1944) Both 3rd & 4th Brigades: Pioneers: 1 Pioneer Squadron (3/0/27/172/202/4/198)

(organization as of 1 April 1944)

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3rd Cavalry Brigade
    Brigade Staff
     1 (mot) Mapping Detachment
     1 (mot) Military Police Detachment
31st Cavalry Regiment: (formed from Kavallerie Regiment Mitte)
     1 (mixed mobility) Regimental Staff
          1 Signals Detachment (1 LMG)
          1 (mot) Reconnaissance Platoon (3 LMGs)
          1 Engineer Platoon (4 LGMs)
          1 Anti-Tank Platoon (3 75mm PAK & 1 LMG)
          1 Machine Gun Detachment (3 HMGs)
     1st Battalion:
          1 Cavalry Signals Platoon (1 LMG)
          1 Anti-Tank Platoon (1 LMG & 18 Panzerschreck)
          3 Cavarly Squadrons (3 LMGs ea)
          1 Heavy Machine Gun Cavalry Squadron (12 HMGs & 1 LMG)
          1 Mortar Squadron (4LMGs & 12 80mm mortars)
     2nd Battalion:
          same as 1st Battalion
32nd Cavalry Regiment:
     same as 331st Cavarly Regiment
69th Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion:
     1 (mot) Staff Company
          1 (mot) Signals Platoon
          1 Armored Car Platoon (16 LMGs, 12 20mm & 3 75mm guns
               in 15 armored cars)
     1 Armored (Half Track) Reconnaissance Platoon
          (2-75mm guns, 2-80mm mortars, 44 LMGs)
     1 Armored (Half Track) Reconnaissance Platoon
          (2 75mm guns, 7 20mm guns, 2 80mm mortars, 3 HMGs
           & 30 LMGs)
     1 (mot) Supply Company (1 LMG)
69th Panzerjäger Battalion
     1 (mot) Staff
    1 (mot) Staff Company (3 LMGs)
     3 Sturmgeschütz Companies (10 stugs & 12 LMgs ea)
     1 (mot) Flak Company (12 20mm & 2 LMGs)
     1 (mot) Supply Company (3 LMGs)
869th Artillery Regiment:
     1st Artillery Battalion
          1 Staff & Staff Battery (2 LMGs)
          2 105mm leFh Batteries (6 105mm leFH & 4 LMGs)
     2nd Artillery Battalion
          same as 1st Battalion
     3rd (Horse) Artillery Battalion
          1 Staff & Staff Battery
          3 75mm Field Gun Batteries (4 75mm guns & 2 LMGs ea)
     1 (Mixed Mobility) Support Company (8 120mm mortars & 2 LMGs)
69th (mot) Pioneer Squadron:
    (2 HMGs, 18 LMGs & 2 80mm mortars)
238th Signals Troop:
     1 (Mixed Mobility) Telephone Company (4 LMGs)
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1 (mot) Radio Company (2 LMGs) 1 Supply Platoon (2 LMGs) 69th Feldersatz Battalion 4 Squadrons Other: 69th Administration Company (butcher, baker & Admin dets) (3 LMGs) 69th (mot) Vehicle Maintenance Company (2 LMGs) 69th Supply Battalion 69th (mot) Transportation Company (2 LMGs) 1/,2/69th (horse drawn) Transportation Companies (4 LMGs ea) (horse drawn) Supply Column 69th (mot) Medical Company 69th (mot) Medical Supply Company 69th Veterinary Company 69th Field Post Office \_\_\_\_\_ 4th Cavalry Brigade Brigade Staff 1 (mot) Mapping Detachment 1 (mot) Military Police Detachment 41st Cavalry Regiment: (former Kavallerie Regiment Sud) 1 (mixed mobility) Regimental Staff 1 Signals Detachment (1 LMG) 1 (mot) Reconnaissance Platoon (3 LMGs) 1 Engineer Platoon (4 LGMs) 1 Anti-Tank Platoon (3 75mm PAK & 1 LMG) 1 Machine Gun Detachment (3 HMGs) 1st Battalion: 1 Cavalry Signals Platoon (1 LMG) 1 Anti-Tank Platoon (1 LMG & 18 Panzerschreck) 3 Cavarly Squadrons (3 LMGs ea) 1 Heavy Machine Gun Cavalry Squadron (12 HMGs & 1 LMG) 1 Mortar Squadron (4LMGs & 12 80mm mortars) 2nd Battalion: same as 1st Battalion 5th Cavalry Regiment: (former Kavallerie Regiment Nord) same as 331st Cavarly Regiment 70th Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion: 1 (mot) Staff Company 1 (mot) Signals Platoon 1 Armored Car Platoon (16 LMGs, 12 20mm & 3 75mm guns in 15 armored cars) 1 Armored (Half Track) Reconnaissance Platoon (2-75mm guns, 2-80mm mortars, 44 LMGs) 1 Armored (Half Track) Reconnaissance Platoon (2 75mm guns, 7 20mm guns, 2 80mm mortars, 3 HMGs & 30 LMGs) 1 (mot) Supply Company (1 LMG) 70th Panzerjäger Battalion 1 (mot) Staff 1 (mot) Staff Company (3 LMGs)

3 Sturmgeschütz Companies (10 stugs & 12 LMgs ea) 1 (mot) Flak Company (12 20mm & 2 LMGs) 1 (mot) Supply Company (3 LMGs) 870th Artillery Regiment: 1st Artillery Battalion (from Kavallerie Regiment Sud) 1 Staff & Staff Battery (2 LMGs) 2 105mm leFh Batteries (6 105mm leFH & 4 LMGs) 2nd Artillery Battalion same as 1st Battalion 3rd Mortar Battalion (from Kavallerie Regiment Nord) 1 Staff & Staff Battery 3 Heavy Mortar Companies (8 120mm mortars & 2 LMGs ea) 70th (mot) Pioneer Squadron: (2 HMGs, 18 LMGs & 2 80mm mortars) 387th Signals Troop: 1 (Mixed Mobility) Telephone Company (4 LMGs) 1 (mot) Radio Company (2 LMGs) 1 Supply Platoon (2 LMGs) 70th Feldersatz Battalion 4 Squadrons Other: 70th Administration Company (butcher, baker & Admin dets) (3 LMGs) 70th (mot) Vehicle Maintenance Company (2 LMGs) 70th Supply Battalion 70th (mot) Transportation Company (2 LMGs) 1/,2/70th (horse drawn) Transportation Companies (4 LMGs ea) (horse drawn) Supply Column 70th (mot) Medical Company 70th (mot) Medical Supply Company 70th Veterinary Company

70th Field Post Office

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