Organizational History of 371st through 719th German Infantry, Security and Panzer Grenadier Divisions 1939-1945

<u>371st Infantry Division</u>: Formed on 2/17/42 as part of the 19th Wave in Belgium, it had:

1/,2/,3/669th Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/670th Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/671st Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,/3,/4,371st Artillery Regiment 371st Anti-Tank Battalion 371st Reconnaissance Battalion 371st Engineer Battalion 371st Signals Battalion 371st Divisional (Einheiten) Support Units

The division was destroyed at Stalingrad in 1943. It was formed by the Order of 17 February 1943 from the 156th Reserve Division and rejoined the war effort as a Kampfgruppe on 3/1/43. It became a full division on 6/9/43. On 6/5/43 it detached the 1/669th IR to the 334th ID and the 3/670th to the 10th Panzer Division on 11/8/43 (it was replaced). Later, on 11/5/43, it detached the 1/671st IR to form the 943rd Grenadier Regiment of the 353rd Infantry Division (21st Wave) and the 3/371st was used to form the 2/272nd Artillery Regiment (22nd Wave). In addition, the reconnaissance battalion was detached to the 353th ID to become its fusilier battalion. The division was taken prisoner by Deutsch-Brod by the Russians in 1945.

<u>372nd</u> <u>Infantry</u> <u>Division</u>: Formed on 3/20/40 as a Landesschützen Division as part of the 9th Wave. It had:

1/,2/,3/650th Infantry Regiment
1/,2/,3/651st Infantry Regiment
1/,2/,3/652nd Infantry Regiment
Field Artillery Battery
Bicycle Squadron
Signals Company

On 7/10/40 the three regiments detached one battalion each to Poland as garrison forces and they were renamed the 650th, 651st and 652nd Wach Battalions. On 6/23/40 the artillery was expanded into a regiment with two battalions. On 6/30/40 the division was sent back to Germany for disbanding and on 8/20/40 it was disbanded. The infantry regiments were used to form Heimat-Wach-Battalions, which on 1/1/41 became the 984th-986th Landesschützen Battalions. The 650th, 651st and 652nd Wach-Battalions remained in Poland and became the 987th-989th Landesschützen Battalions.

<u>373rd (Croatian)</u> Infantry Division: Formed on 6/1/43 as the second German-Croatian Division with a German cadre and the 7th Croatian Mountain Brigade (4 Bns). The division had:

1/,2/,3/383rd (Croatian) Grenadier Regiment (from 1/,2/7th Croatian Mountain Brigade) 1/,2/,3/384th (Croatian) Grenadier Regiment (from 3/,4/7th Croatian Mountain Brigade) 1/,2/,3/373rd Artillery Regiment 373rd Fusilier Battalion 373rd Reconnaissance Battalion 373rd Engineer Battalion 373rd Signals Battalion 373rd Division (Einheiten) Service Units

In the Fall of 1944 the division absorbed the 2nd (Croatian) Jäger Brigade as its third regiment (probably 385th IR). The division was taken captive by the Yugoslavs by Raka, west of Sisak.

374th Infantry Division: Not formed. 375th Infantry Division: Not formed.

<u>376th</u> Infantry Division: Formed on 3/21/42 as part of the 19th Wave in southwest France with personnel drafted from the 327th 335th, and 337th Divisions. It contained:

1/,2/,3/672nd Infantry Regiment (men from 337th ID) 1/,2/,3/673rd Infantry Regiment (men from 335th ID) 1/,2/,3/767th Infantry Regiment (men from 327th ID) 1/,2/,3/,4/376th Artillery Regiment (drafts from all 3 divisions) 376th Anti-tank Battalion 376th Reconnaissance Battalion 376th Engineer Battalion 376th Pioneer Battalion 376th Division (Einheiten) Service Units

The division was destroyed at Stalingrad. It was rebuilt by the order of 3/17/43 in Holland as a Kampfgruppe with the strength of a reinforced grenadier regiment on 2/23/43 and between 4/1/43 and 6/20/43 it was rebuilt into a full division. On 11/8/43 the division detached the 2/767th Grenadier Regiment to the 23rd Panzer Division and it was replaced. In August 1943 the 3/672nd IR was disbanded. On 11/25/43 the division detached the 3/673rd and 3/767th for the formation of the 349th ID. They were not replaced. The division also detached the 2/376th Artillery Regiment to the newly forming 349th ID. This battalion was replaced. On 1/15/44 the remainder of the 167th Infantry Division was incorporated into the division and it now stood with:

376th Pioneer Battalion 376th Division (Einheiten) Service Units

On 7/27/44 the 167th Divisional Group, with the 315th and 331st Regimental Groups were redesignated as the 1/,2/315th Grenadier Regiment. The 2/238th and 1/40th Artillery Regiments became the 2/,4/376th Artillery Regiment. In August 1944 the division was destroyed in the southern Ukraine. The survivors were used to rebuild the 76th Infantry Division and for the formation of the 15th Infantry Division. The division was formally disbanded on 10/9/44.

377th Infantry Division: Formed on 3/31/42 as part of the 19th Division, it was formed from recruits and detachments from the 332nd, 333rd, 708th, 709th and 715th Infantry Divisions. It had:

1/,2/,3/768th Infantry Regiment (from 332nd ID) 1/,2/,3/769th Infantry Regiment (from 333rd ID) 1/,2/,3/790th Infantry Regiment (from 708th, 709th and 715th ID) 1/,2/,3/,4/377th Artillery Division (from all 5 divisions) 377th Anti-tank Battalion 377th Reconnaissance Battalion 377th Engineer Battalion 377th Signals Battalion 377th Division (Einheiten) Service Units

The division was disbanded after the battles by Woronesch. The divisional war diary ends on 2/25/43 and the field post office ceased functioning on 1 May 1944. The entire division was reorganized into the 769th Grenadier Regiment in March 1943 and assigned to the 340th Infantry Division.

378th Infantry Division: Not formed.

<u>379th</u> Infantry Division: Formed on 3/15/40 as a Landesschützen Division in Lublin with the 424th Divisional Staff z.b.V.¹ It had:

1/,2/,3/653rd Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/654th Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/655th Infantry Regiment 379th Artillery Battery 379th Bicycle Squadron 379th Signals Company

On 7/10/40 the three divisional regiments detached one battalion each to Poland to serve as garrison units. They were redesignated as the 653rd, 654th and 656th Wach Battalions. The division was disbanded on 8/15/40. the battalions became Heimat Wach Battalions and later the 617th, 619th-624th Landesschützen Battalions. Those three Wach Battalions in Poland were redesignated 636th-638th Landesschützen

¹ The abbreviation "z.b.V." stands for "zu besonder Verband" and loosely translates as "on special assignment". These were special task forces assigned to perform unusual tasks.

Battalions.

<u>381st</u> <u>Feldausbildung</u> <u>Division</u>: Formed on 9/8/42 as the training division for Army Group A in south Russia, it contained:

1/,2/,3/614th Feldausbildung Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/615th Feldausbildung Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/616th Feldausbildung Infantry Regiment No artillery or divisional troops

The division was disbanded on 26/2/43. Those assigned regiments were absorbed into the divisions of the 17th Army. the 381st IR went to the 13th Panzer Division (as the 13th Feldersatz Battalion) and the 101st Jäger Division. The 615th IR went to the Crimea and joined the 336th and 98th Infantry Divisions, while the 616th IR went to the 9th Infantry Division (as the 3/57th IR) and the 97th Jäger Division. The 614th IR was disbanded.

<u>382nd</u> <u>Feldausbildung</u> <u>division</u>: formed on 9/9/42 as the training division for Army Group B in south Russia. IT contained:

1/,2/,3/617th Feldausbildung Infantry Regiment
1/,2/,3/618th Feldausbildung Infantry Regiment
1/,2/,3/619th Feldausbildung Infantry Regiment
1/,2/,3/520th Feldausbildung Infantry Regiment
No artillery or support units

On 1/24/43 the 620th Feldausbildung Regiment became the Fretter-Pico Army Battalion. The remainder of the regiment was absorbed, on 2/19/43, as the 304th Feldausbildung Battalion of the 304th Infantry Division and the staff of the 620th Security Regiment. The 617th and 619th Feldausbildung Grenadier Regiments were then absorbed by the 320th Infantry Division. On 2/25/43 the 618th Feldausbildung Grenadier Regiment was absorbed into the units of the 2nd Army. On 2/24/43 the divisional staff was officially disbanded and what remained of the division was used to form the 318th Grenadier Regiment of the 213th Security Division.

<u>383rd Infantry</u> <u>Division</u>: Formed on 1/26/42 as a "Rheingold" Division during the 18th Wave. The division had:

1/,2/,3/531st Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/532nd Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/533rd Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/,4/383rd Artillery Regiment 383rd Anti-tank Battalion 383rd Engineer Battalion 383rd Signal Battalion 383rd Divisional (Einheiten) Service Units.

On 9/30/43 the division was reorganized into a Type 44 division, with the 2/531, 1/532 and 3(?)/533rd Grenadier Regiments being disbanded. The division was destroyed in June 1944 while serving with Army Group Center and was formally disbanded on 8/3/44.

<u>384th Infantry Division</u>: Formed on 10/1/42 as a "Rheingold" Division during the 18th Wave. The division had:

1/,2/,3/534th Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/5353th Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/536th Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/,4/384th Artillery Regiment 384th Anti-tank Battalion 384th Reconnaissance Battalion 384th Engineer Battalion 384th Signal Battalion 384th Divisional (Einheiten) Service Units.

The division was assigned to Army Group South on 3/11/42 and was destroyed at Stalingrad. It was reformed after 2/17/43 as a Kampfgruppe and on 3/6/43 it was expanded into a full division. It detached the 2/536th GR to the 9th Panzer division and it was rebuilt. The 2/534th. The 2/534th was disbanded and replaced by renumbering the 3rd Battalion. The 1/536th became the 384th Divisional Fusilier Battalion and was replaced by the 3/536th. The Reconnaissance Battalion and the 3/384th Artillery Regiment remained as the Canal Coast Kampfgruppe and were used on 11/25/43 to reform the 349th Infantry Division. The division consisted of:

1/,2/534th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/535th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/536th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/,3/,4/384th Artillery Regiment 384th Divisional Fusilier Battalion 384th Anti-tank Battalion 384th Engineer Battalion 384th Signals Battalion 384th Divisional (Einheiten) Service Units

In August 1944 the division was destroyed in southern Russia. The division was disbanded on 10/9/44 and its survivors joined the 76th and 15th Infantry Divisions.

<u>385th</u> Infantry Division: Formed on 1/10/42 as a "Rheingold" division in the 18th Wave, it had:

1/,2/,3/537th Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/538th Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/539th Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/,4/385th Artillery Regiment 385th Anti-tank Battalion 385th Reconnaissance Battalion 385th Engineer Battalion 385th Signals Battalion 385th Division (Einheiten) Service Units

The division was destroyed in the Don Basin in late 1942. On 2/17/43 the remains of the 385th and 387th Infantry Divisions were formed into a Kampfverband with the strength of a reinforced grenadier regiment. On 3/30/42 this Kampfverband was used to rebuild a new

387th Infantry Division. It contained:

1/,2/537th Grenadier Regiment
2/387th Artillery Battalion

The remainder of the staff was used for the reforming of the 79th and 295th Infantry Divisions or absorbed by the 100th Jäger Division.

386th Infantry Division: Formed on 4/1/40, the division had:

1/,2/,3/656th Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/657th Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/658th Infantry Regiment 386th Reconnaissance Squadron 386th Artillery Battery 386th Signals Company

The 16th Companies of the three infantry regiments were used to form the 4/242nd Feldrekruten Regiment of the 300th Replacement Troop Command on 6/9/40. On 8/13/40 the Division was disbanded and its troops used to form independent Heimat Wach Battalions. On 1/1/41 they were renumbered 242-249th Landesschützen Battalions.

<u>386th (mot)</u> Infantry Division: Formed on 11/25/42, the division had:

386th Panzer Battalion 1/,2/,3/149th (mot) Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/,3/153rd Panzer Grenadier Regiment 386th Motorcycle Battalion 1/,2/386th Artillery Regiment 386th Anti-tank Battalion 386th Engineer Battalion 386th Signals Battalion 386th Divisional (Einheiten) Service Units

In January 1943 the division was in the West. On 3/1/43 it was used to rebuilt the 3rd (mot) Infantry Division that had been destroyed in Stalingrad. The redesignations were as follows:

Old Designation	New Designation
386th Panzer Battalion	103rd Pz Bn
1/,2/,3/149th (mot) Grenadier Regiment	8th (mot) GR
1/,2/,3/153rd Panzer Grenadier Regiment	29th (mot) GR
386th Motorcycle Battalion	53rd Pz Recon Bn
1/,2/386th Artillery Regiment	Staff/,2/3rd AR
312nd Army Flak Battalion	4/3rd AR
386th Anti-tank Battalion	3rd
386th Engineer Battalion	3rd
386th Signals Battalion	3rd
386th Divisional (Einheiten) Service Units	3rd

<u>387th Infantry Division</u>: Formed on 2/1/42, as a "Rheingold" division of the 18th Wave, the division had:

1/,2/,3/541st Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/542nd Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/543rd Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/,4/387th Artillery Regiment 387th Anti-tank Battalion 387th Reconnaissance Battalion 387th Engineer Battalion 387th Signals Battalion 387th Division (Einheiten) Service Units

On 8/1/42 the 2/542nd was disbanded and reformed into the 387th Ski Battalion. The division was destroyed in the Don Basin in late 1942. The order of 2/17/43 directed that the 385th and 387th Divisions be reorganized into a single Kampfverband with the strength of a reinforced Grenadier Regiment. The excess troops were sent to the 79th and 295th Infantry Divisions and the 100th Jäger Division.

The division was rebuilt by the order of 25 March 1943 from the remains of the 298th, 285th and 387th Infantry Divisions. It now had:

1/,2/,3/525th Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/537th Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/542nd Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/,4/387th Artillery Regiment 387th Anti-tank Battalion 387th Reconnaissance Battalion 387th Engineer Battalion 387th Signals Battalion 387th Division (Einheiten) Service Units

The new 387th Division was disbanded on 3/13/44. It was reorganized into the 387th Divisional Group (with 525nd and 542nd Regimental groups from the 258th ID). The 387th Fusilier Battalion became the 258th Fusilier Battalion. On 6/5/44 the staff became the staff of the 98th Infantry Division. The 1/397th AR became the 3/176th AR on 6/15/44 in the 76th Infantry Division and the 3/387th AR went with the Divisional Group to the 258th Infantry Division.

<u>383rd</u> <u>Feldausbildung</u> <u>Division</u>: Formed on 2/2/42 as the Feldausbildung Division for the Army Group North. It contained:

1/,2/,3/639th Feldausbildung Infantry Regiment
1/,2/,3/270th Feldausbildung Infantry Regiment
no artillery or division troops

The order of 12/3/43 directed the division build up Army Group North. It organized the A-C Feldausbildung Regiments (388th Feldausbildung Division) for the three Panzerjäger Companies, but they were soon disbanded and the D Feldausbildung Regiment was soon formed. On 2/5/44 this regiment was reduced from four to three battalions and on 3/12/44 it was reorganized into the 1/639th Feldausbildung Grenadier regiment. They detached the 2/639th and 3/640th to the 61st Infantry Division and the 2/640th to the 126th Infantry Division. On 3/15/44 the 391st Feldausbildung Battalion was assigned to the 388th Division. By 5/15/44, however, the division was renamed the Nord.

<u>389th Infantry Division</u>: Formed on 2/17/42 as a "Rheingold" Division of the 18th Wave, the division had:

1/,2/,3/544th Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/545th Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/546th Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/,4/389th Artillery Regiment 389th Anti-tank Battalion 389th Reconnaissance Battalion 389th Engineer Battalion 389th Signals Battalion 389th Division (Einheiten) Service Units

On 9/12/42 the 2/544th IR was disbanded and the division was lost at Stalingrad in January/February 1943.

The division was reformed on 17 February as a Kampfgruppe and as a full division on 9/1/43. The Kampfgruppe existed as the Pauli Regiment z.b.V and had three infantry battalions and an artillery battalion as of 3/8/43. During its reorganization several units were detached for other uses, slowing its reorganization. The 2/544th was sent to become the 3/755th IR in the 334th ID (also reforming) and on 11/8/43 the 3/546th went to the 19th Panzer Division. On 11/14/43 the 3/546th GR, the 389th Reconnaissance Battalion, and the 3/389th Artillery Regiment were used in the forming of the 352nd Infantry Division (21st Wave). Only the 3/389th AR was replaced and it was replaced by the 1/223rd AR (3rd Wave). The 2/545th GR became the fusilier Battalion and the division now stood with:

1/,2/544th Infantry Regiment 1/,2/545th Infantry Regiment 1/,2/546th Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/,4/389th Artillery Regiment 389th Fusilier Battalion 389th Anti-tank Battalion 389th Engineer Battalion 389th Signals Battalion 389th Division (Einheiten) Service Units

The division was greatly weakened when it broke out of the Tscherkassy Pocket, but it was still obliged to provide forces for the 57th ID. It was, however, rebuilt from the Milowitz Shadow Division (24th Wave), which brought it back to strength, providing it with two regiments, of three battalions each, and an artillery battalion. Finally, on 7/1/44 the 3/544th and 3/545th were redesignated the 2/544th and 2/545th. The remainder of the division was taken prisoner at Hela.

<u>390th Feldausbildung Division</u>: Formed on 9/4/42 for Army Group Center in Russia, it had:

1/,2/,3/635th Feldausbildung Infantry Regiment
1/,2/,3/636th Feldausbildung Infantry Regiment
1/,2/,3/637th Feldausbildung Infantry Regiment
No artillery or support units

The order of 11/16/43 52nd Feldausbildung Division was formed from the 390th and 391st Feldausbildung Divisions and they were reorganized as Shadow Divisions (23rd Wave). At that time the 635th Grenadier Feldausbildung Regiment was detached to the 52nd FA Division. The division now had:

1/,2/,3/Schreiber Feldausbildung Grenadier Regiment
1/,2/,3/636th Feldausbildung Grenadier Regiment
1/,2/,3/637th Feldausbildung Grenadier Regiment
390th Feldausbildung Battalion
No artillery or support units

The regiments formed 13th and 14th companies. The Schreiber Regiment was redesignated the 566th Grenadier (Feldausbildung) Regiment on 2/4/42. On 2/15 the three regiments became grenadier Regiments and on 4/1/44 they were absorbed into battle ravaged divisions of the 8th Army.

Absorbed into: 1/,2/566th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/636th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/637th Grenadier Regiment 35th Division

The 390th Feldausbildung Battalion became the I Lehr Battalion of Army Group Center's NCO school. On 7/19/44 the staff was used to form the 30th Security Division z.b.V. (bo).

<u>390th Security</u> <u>Division</u>: Formed on 7/18/44 by redesignating the remains of the 390th Feldausbildung Division. The division had:

603rd Reinforced Security Group Regiment Divisional Kampfschule (battle school)(4 Cos) 390th Pioneer Company 390th Signals Company

On 11/10/44 the divisional staff and the remainder of the division was absorbed into the 79th Volks Grenadier Division, formerly the Katzbach Division.

<u>391st</u> <u>Feldausbildung</u> <u>Division</u>: Formed on 8/31/42 to support Army Group Center in Russia, the division had:

1/,2/,3/718th Feldausbildung Infantry Regiment
1/,2/,3/719th Feldausbildung Infantry Regiment
1/,2/,3/720th Feldausbildung Infantry Regiment
No artillery or support units

The order of 11/16/43 52nd Feldausbildung Division was formed from the 390th and 391st Feldausbildung Divisions and they were reorganized as Shadow Divisions (23rd Wave). At that time the 635th Grenadier Feldausbildung Regiment was detached to the 52nd FA Division. The division now had:

1/,2/567th Grenadier Regiment
1/,2/718th Grenadier Regiment

1/,2/720th Grenadier Regiment
391st Feldausbildung Battalion

The regiments formed 13th and 14th companies. On 3/15/44 the division was assigned to Army Group North and there, on 4/1/44 it was divided up between several divisions:

1/567th Grenadier Regiment to 331st ID 2/567th Grenadier Regiment to 787th Sturm Division 1/,2/718th Grenadier Regiment to 263rd ID as 463rd GR 1/,2/720th Grenadier Regiment to 87th ID as 173rd GR 391st Feldausbildung Battalion to 388th Feldausbildung Division

The Staff was redesignated as the Staff/391st Security Division z.b.V. on 2/23/44.

<u>391st</u> Security Division z.b.V. Formed on 3/23/44 by Army Group Center by redesignating the staff of the 391st Feldausbildung Division. As of February 1945 it became the Division Staff z.b.V 391 and stood on the Oder River over the 95th Grenadier Regiment, the 61st-64th Alarm Battalions, and the 1233rd Fahnenjunker Regiment. It also had the 391st Artillery Regiment staff and a supply regiment. The division was taken prisoner by the Russians in the Halbe Pocket

<u>392nd</u> (Croatian) Infantry Division: Formed on 8/17/43 with a German cadre and Croatian soldiers as the third Croatian division in the German army. The division had:

1/,2/,3/864th (Croatian) Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/,3/865th (Croatian) Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/392nd Artillery Regiment 392nd Reconnaissance Battalion 392nd Anti-tank Battalion 392nd Engineer Battalion 392nd Signals Battalion 392nd Divisional (Einheiten) Service Units

The division was taken prisoner by the Yugoslavs north of Fiume in 1945.

<u>393rd Infantry Division</u>: Formed on 3/10/40 as a Landesschützen Division (9th Wave), using the Staff of the 423rd z.b.V. Division. The division had:

1/,2/,3/659th Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/660th Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/661st Infantry Regiment 393rd Artillery Battery 393rd Reconnaissance Squadron 393rd Signals Company

On 7/10/40 each regiment provided a Wach Battalion for service in Poland. On 8/1/40 the division was disbanded and its troops on 1/1/41 its troops were organized into Heimat Landesschützen Battalions, #494-499. The battalions in Poland became the 972nd-974th Landesschützen Battalions.

<u>394th</u> <u>Feldausbildung</u> <u>Division</u>: Formed in January 1944 as part of the 23rd Wave in the Ukraine from the 143rd and 147th Reserve Divisions. It contained:

1/,2/562nd Grenadier Regiment
1/,2/563rd Grenadier Regiment
1/,2/564th Grenadier Regiment

The division appears to have been disbanded later in January and only the Northern Ukrainian Feldausbildung Regiment was formed.

<u>395th Infantry</u> <u>Division</u>: Formed on 3/16/40 as a Landesschützen Division from the 521st Infantry Division, it had:

1/,2/,3/665th Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/674th Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/675th Infantry Regiment Bicycle Squadron Signals Company

On 6/12/40 the division formed the 395th Artillery Regiment with a staff, 1st and 3rd Battalions. It was equipped with captured Polish equipment. On 7/22/40 the division was disbanded and organized into 7 Heimat Wach Battalions assigned to watching Prisoners of War.

396th-398th Infantry Divisions: Not formed.

<u>399th</u> Infantry Division: Formed on 3/15/40 as a Landesschützen Division (9th Wave) with the 421st Infantry Division Staff z.b.V. The division had:

1/,2/,3/662nd Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/663rd Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/664th Infantry Regiment Artillery Battery Bicycle Squadron Signals Company

On 3/30/40 the 2/664th was incorporated into the 3/663rd and the 2/644th was rebuilt with drafts from the entire division. The 399th Artillery regiment with a staff, 1st and 2nd Battalions was formed on 6/19/40.

The order of 7/22/40 disbanded the division on 8/8/40. Seven battalions became Heimat Wach Battalions and were used to watch Prisoners of War. The 3/662nd and 2/663rd became Landesschützen Battalions and the rest was disbanded.

Commander of Replacement Troops 400 (400th Replacement Division: Formed on 6/3/40 as an occupation force for Poland with seven Infantry Ersatz Battalions and, later, the Feldrekruten Battalion formed from companies of a 9th Wave Division in Poland. The division had: 1/,2/,3/,4/264th Feldrekruten Regiment
1/,2/,3/,4/265th Feldrekruten Regiment

The division was disbanded on 8/1/40.

Division z.b.V. 401: Formed on 1/16/40 in Königsberg by the redesignation of staff of the 422nd Infantry Division z.b.V. and commanded the Landesschützen Battalions in WI I. In 1940 it oversaw the following Landesschützen Battalions: 201, 203, 206, 208, 211, 213, 215, 216, 218, 223, 224, 1st Landesschützen Ersatz Battalion and later the 537th Landesschützen Battalion.

401st Division: Formed on 9/25/42 as an Ersatz Division. In December 1943 it had:

161st Ersatz Grenadier Regiment (3, 24, 44, 178, & 301 Battalions) 228th Ersatz Grenadier Regiment (1, 22, 43, 45, & 312 Battalions) 1st Artillery Ersatz und Ausbildungs Regiment (1, 11, 21, 47, 228 & 37th Artillery Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalions, 1st Observation Ersatz und Ausbildungs Bn) 1st Reconnaissance (Mounted) Ersatz Battalion 31st Flak Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion 1st Pioneer Ersatz Battalion

In 1945 the division surrendered its troops to the forces in Wehrkreises $\ensuremath{\text{X}}.$

<u>402nd</u> <u>Division z.b.V.</u>: Formed on 10/25/ 39 as the 402nd Divisional Staff z.b.V., it was later disbanded and incorporated into the 152nd Division. On 1/24/40 it was reformed to oversee the Landesschützen in WK II (March 1940 21st Regiment, 251st, 252nd, 253rd, 255th, 256th, 260th, 261st, 262nd, 263rd, 267th, 268th, 269th Battalions and 2nd Ersatz Battalion. In 1940 it had the 265th, 276th, 280th, 281st and 975th-982nd Battalions. On 9/25/42 it was organized as an Ersatz Division:

402nd Division: On December 1943 it contained:

258th Grenadier Ersatz Regiment 522nd Grenadier Ersatz Regiment 2nd Artillery Ersatz und Ausbildungs Regiment (2, 12, 32, & 38th Battalions) 5th Reiter (Mounted) Ersatz Battalion 272nd Army Flak Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion 2nd Pioneer Ersatz Battalion 12th Pioneer Ersatz Battalion 2nd Construction Pioneer Ersatz and Training Battalion 2nd Transportation Ersatz and Training Battalion

On 1/20/45 the division was renamed the "Gneisenau" Division and had:

1 Divisional Staff

2 Grenadier Regiments, each with 3 battalions

1 Fusilier Battalion 1 Artillery Regiment with 3 battalions Anti-Tank Battalion Army Flak Battalion Engineer Battalion 2 Signals Companies

From this a reinforced regiment was sent into the Schneidermühle Fortress. After that the division appears to have had:

Kommando 402 Division Regimental Staff Kohlmann and Mensing Becker Battalion von Eichel Battalion Stahlmann Battalion Bannermann Battalion Bamel Battalion

By March 1945 the division appears to have been reorganized into the 402nd Ausbildungs Division.

402nd Ausbildungs Division: Appears to have been formed at the end of March 1945. The division contained:

Staff/522nd Grenadier Ausbildungs Regiment 27/172nd Fusilier Ausbildungs Battalion 94th Grenadier Ausbildungs Battalion 4/222 Grenadier Ausbildungs Battalion 48/374th Grenadier Ausbildungs Battalion Staff, 85th Hungarian Regiment Varpalota Hungarian Infantry School Staff/2nd Artillery Ausbildungs Regiment 257th Artillery Ausbildungs Battalion 12/32nd Artillery Ausbildungs Battalion 38/2 Artillery Ausbildungs Battalion 100th Cavalry Ausbildungs Battalion

On 3/26/45 the division ceased to exist.

<u>403rd</u> <u>Division</u> <u>z.b.V.</u>: Formed on 10/25/39 to lead the Landesschützen in WK III. In March 1940 it controlled the 303rd, 305th, 307th, 311th, 313th, 324th, 316th, 318th, 320th and 3rd Landesschützen Battalions. On 3/15/41 the division was broken up and used to form the 403rd Security Division.

403rd Security Division: Formed on 3/15/41 from the Division z.b.V. 403 and a third of the 213th Infantry Division, the division had:

1/,2/,3/406th (Reinforced) Infantry Regiment
705th Wach Battalion
3/213th Artillery Regiment (3 btrys)
177th Landesschützen Regimental Staff
466th Division (Einheiten) Service Units

The 406th Infantry Regiment was assigned, after 3/15/42, the 3/213th Artillery Regiment, and 466th Supply Services, 201st Security Brigade. Later the 610th Security Regiment was assigned to the division. The division was disbanded on 5/31/43. Its staff went to Bergen and the 177th Security Regiment joined the 213th Security Division on 4/25/43). The rest of the division was used in other units with the 403rd Ost Reiter Battalion being used to form the 3/Volunteer Cossack Stamm Regiment.

<u>404th</u> Division z.b.v: Formed on 10/24/39 the division staff controlled Landesschützen Battalions. In March 1940 it controlled the following battalions: 351, 353, 357, 359, 360, 362, 364, 365, 366, 368, 369, 371, 372, 375, 377 and 4th Landesschützen Ersatz Battalion.

<u>404th</u> Division: Formed on 9/25/42 as a division command in Dresden to oversee the Ersatz troops in WK IV. In December 1943 they consisted of:

524th Grenadier Ersatz Regiment (171st , 192nd, 475th & 514th Battalions) 544th Grenadier Ersatz Regiment (385th, 425th, 440th & 455th Battalions) 554th Grenadier Ersatz Regiment (32nd, 234th, 414th, 476th, & 513th Battalions 4th Artillery Ersatz und Ausbildungs Regiment (4th & 40th Bns, & 4th Observation Battalion) 10th Bicycle Ersatz Battalion 24th Pioneer Ersatz Battalion Technical Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion

On 3/24/45 the division was engaged in the Leuthen Action in the region of Lübben-Görlitz-Bautzen. It consisted of

404th Divisional Staff 524th Grenadier Ausbildungs Regiment (514 & 192nd Bns) 544th Grenadier Ausbildungs Regiment (385th & 440th Bns) 554th Grenadier Ausbildungs Regiment (32nd, 234th, & 476th Bns)

405th Division z.b.V: Formed on 10/23/39 to direct the Landsschützen troops in the Wehrkreises V. IT consisted of:

51st Landesschützen Regiment (403rd, 405th, 406th & 411th Bns) 55th Landesschützen Regiment (408th, 410th, 418th Bns) 5th Landesschützen Ersatz Battalion

 $\frac{405\text{th}}{2000}$ Division: Formed on 5/10/42 by the renaming of the 405th Division z.b.V. as the 405th Ersatz Division. IT was redesignated the 405th Division on 10/5/42. It contained:

5th Ersatz Infantry Regiment (14th, 335th & 338th Bns) 35th Ersatz Infantry Regiment (34th, 109th, & 390th Bns) 78th Ersatz Infantry Regiment (56th and 353th Bns) 403rd Landesschützen Battalion 406th Landesschützen Battalion 427th Landesschützen Battalion 506th Landesschützen Battalion 25th Artillery Ersatz Regiment (25th, 178th, 205th & 215th Bns) 35th Pioneer Ersatz Battalion 5th Transportation Ersatz Detachment 5th Construction Ersatz Battalion 5th Bridge Construction Ersatz Battalion 5th Landsschützen Ersatz Battalion On 10/10/42 the division was in Strasburg and had in December 1943 the following organization: 5th Ersatz Grenadier Regiment (14th, 335th, & 358th Bns) 35th Ersatz Grenadier Regiment (34th, 109th, & 390th Bns) 78th Ersatz Grenadier Regiment (56th and 353rd Bns) 215th Artillery Ausbildungs and Ersatz Regiment 35th Pioneer Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion 5th Construction Pioneer Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion 5th Bridge Construction Pioneer Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion 5th Transportation Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion 5th Driver Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion In January 1945 the division was mobilized and assigned to the 19th Army. In February the division had: 4th Regiment (with XXII Baden Volkssturm Battalion & VI 14th Regiment (with 406th Landesschützen Battalion & III Zollgrenzschutz Battalion) 728th Grenadier Regiment (staff) (with V Baden Volkssturm Battalion & II Zollgrenzschutz Battalion)

1515th Artillery Regiment (staff) with 3/658th Artillery Regiment, 1509th & 1524th Fortress Artillery Battalion and 708th Pioneer Battalion) 405th Signal Company 405TH Supply Regiment

On 5 April 1945 the division had:

99th Security Regiment (staff) with the Lichtenstein and Wunnenstein Volkssturm Battalions 10th Regiment (II Zollgrenzschutz Battalion and V & XV Volkssturm Battalions 14th Regiment with 406th Landesschützen Battalion and III Zollgrenzschutz Battalion 200th Security Regiment (staff) with 3/99th Security Regiment, 291st z.b.V. Battalion and 1094th Landesschützen Battalion. 405th Divisional Fusilier Battalion 1515th Fortress Artillery Regiment 1509th Fortress Artillery Battalion 1524th Fortress Artillery Battalion 1/,2/1133rd Fortress Artillery Regiment 708th Pioneer Battalion 405th Feldersatz Battalion 405th Panzerjäger Company 405th Signals Company 405th Supply Regiment

Shortly before the end of the war this formation was transformed into a rebuilt 719th Division.

<u>406th</u> Division z.b.V. Formed on 10/12/39 for the command of Landesschützen forces in the Wehrkreis. In June 1940 the division contained:

In June 1940 the 526th Division took over the western portion of the Wehrkreis and the 406th was reduced to:

172nd Landesschützen Regiment 183rd Landesschützen Regiment Landesschützen Battalion, 357, 460, 470, 471, 472, 477, 478, 857, and C

On 15 October 1942 the division had:

33rd Landesschützen Regiment Landesschützen Battalions: B,C, 254, 460, & 478 172nd Landesschützen Regiment Landesschützen Battalions: 308, 357, 471, 472, & 477

In addition the division was responsible for the 15th Landesschützen Battalion, which was assigned to POW security, and the Railroad Watch Companies 1-4/VI and the 6th Landesschützen Replacement and Training Battalion.

During the callout of the Walkire in September 1944 the division staff and its assigned forces were transferred to the II Fallschirm-Korps on the lower Rhine, but it was recalled in October. The 176th and 526th Divisions sent the following to the front:

Wehrkreis NCO School VI (3 Bns, 11 Cos, 2 btrys, 1,774 men) Düren Army NCO School (1 Bn, 4 Cos, 866 men) Jülich Army NCO School (1 Bn, 4 Cos, 575 men) Sharpshooter Training Company IV (106 men)

The 406th Division detached the following:

Landesschützen Training Battalion I/6 (5 Cos, 1,350 men) Landesschützen Training Battalion II/6 (4 Cos, 1,102 men) Landesschützen Training Battalion III/6 (5 Cos, 1,300 men) 406th Recruit Training Battalion (3 Cos - 200 men) Landesschützen Battalion B (5 Cos, 651 men) Landesschützen Battalion 254 (3 Cos, 219 men) The division staff was sent to the front in February 1945 and it was disbanded on 13 March 1945. 407th Division z.b.V.: Formed on 10/12/39 for the command of the Landesschützen in the Wehrkreis as the 407th Division, it was renamed the 407th Division z.b.V. on 12/11/40. In March 1940 the division contained: 71st Landesschützen Regiment Landesschützen Battalions: 501, 506, 507, 510, 512, 513, & 518 In November it contained: 71st Landesschützen 501st, 507th, & 513th Landesschützen Battalion 74th Landesschützen 510th, 512th Landesschützen Battalion 7th Landesschützen Replacement Battalion 407th Division: Formed on 10/1/42 during the reorganization of the replacement army with forces drawn from the 147th Division. In December 1943 the division contained: 307th Ersatz (Replacement) Grenadier Regiment 91st, 468th & 488th Battalions 527th Ersatz (Replacement) Grenadier Regiment 63rd, 316th, 320th, & 423rd Battalions 27th Ersatz (Replacement) Artillery Regiment 27th & 63rd Battalions

27th Ersatz Pioneer Battalion

In contrast to the rest of the Ersatz army, where the attached companies of the Ersatz regiment were numbered after the regiment, in this division, for both regiments, they were numbered as follows:

407th Signals Ersatz Company 407th Infantry Gun Ersatz Company 407th Panzerjäger Ersatz Company 407th Infantry Pioneer Ersatz Company

On either 8/15/44 or 9/15/44 the division was disbanded. Its assigned forces were assigned to the 467th Division, but in 1945 the 467th Division was redesignated the 407th Division. On 3/26/45 it was engaged in the Leuthen Action under Army Group D. It contained:

407th Divisional Staff 1/,2/407th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/467th Grenadier Regiment 407th Artillery Battalion 407th Nebelwerfer Battalion 407th Pioneer Battalion 7th Pioneer Training Battalion ROB Lehrgang VII Fahnenjunker Lehrgang/Pioneer School II Army NCO School for Pioneers

<u>408th</u> Division z.b.V Formed on 10/24/39 in Breslau, it was to oversee the Landesschützen forces in the Wehrkreis. In April 1940 the division contained the 553rd, 554th, 555th, 556th, 557th, 559th and 561st Landesschützen Battalions. In October 1940 the division was reorganized with:

86th Landesschützen Regiment Landesschützen Battalion: 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 584, 585 & 586 87th Landesschützen Regiment Landesschützen Battalion: 398, 515, 559, 560, 561, 590, & 752

 $\frac{408\text{th}}{10/1/42}$, With the reorganization of the Replacement Army on $\frac{10}{1/42}$, the 408th Division z.b.V. was redesignated the 408th Division and began operations in Alsace-Lorraine. In December 1943 the division had:

352nd Ersatz Grenadier Regiment Battalions: 54, 190, 354, 360, & 375 518th Ersatz Grenadier Regiment Battalions: 7, 49, 83, 318, 406, & 472 8th Ersatz Reconnaissance Battalion 48th Flak Ersatz & Ausbildungs Battalion 273rd Army Flak Ersatz & Ausbildungs Battalion 300th Sturmgeschütz Ersatz & Ausbildungs Battalion 18th Pioneer Ersatz & Ausbildungs Battalion 213th Pioneer Ersatz Battalion 518th Land Construction Pioneer Battalion 28th Construction Pioneer Ersatz & Ausbildungs Battalion 8th Transportation Ausbildungs Battalion

In November 1944 the division formed the 408th Division Mission Staff which became the (L) Division (Liegnitz? Division) in February 1945. The division was mobilized to the 17th Army, Army Group Center, in February/March 1945.

<u>409th</u> Division <u>z.b.V</u>: Formed on 10/25/39 in Cassel, IX Wehrkreis, for the oversight of the Landesschützen forces. In March 1940 the division contained:

93rd Landesschützen Regiment Landesschützen Battalions: 602, 603, 604, 608, 609, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616 9th Landesschützen Ersatz Battalion. <u>409th</u> Division: Formed on 10/1/42 during the reorganization of the replacement army, the 409th Division was organized to replace the 159th Reserve Division as it was sent to France. At the end of December 1943, the division had:

519th Ersatz Grenadier Regiment Battalions: 57, 88, 116, 163, 181, 355, 451, & 459 529th Ersatz Grenadier Regiment Battalions: 36, 81, 106, 205, 367, 388, & 471 15th Artillery Ersatz und Ausbildungs Regiment Battalions: 9, 29, 65, & 309 15th Ersatz Reconnaissance Battalion 39th Pioneer Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion 9th Pioneer Ersatz Battalion 3rd Railroad Pioneer Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion Pioneer School Battalion z.b.V. Offenbach 9th Construction Pioneer Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion 9th Transportation Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion 9th Driver Ersatz und Ausbildungs 15th Driver Ersatz und Ausbildungs

In April 1945 the division staff was reorganized as the weak Zehler Kampfgruppe near Cassel. On 3/25/45, through the Leuthen Action, the division was built up and contained:

519th Grenadier Regimental Staff 529th Grenadier Regimental Staff 36th Grenadier Ausbildungs Battalion 205th Grenadier Ausbildungs Battalion 57th Grenadier Ausbildungs Battalion 116th Grenadier Ausbildungs Battalion 367th Grenadier Ausbildungs Battalion 81st Grenadier Ausbildungs Battalion 88th Heavy Grenadier Ausbildungs Battalion 451`st Heavy Grenadier Ausbildungs Battalion 459th Heavy Grenadier Ausbildungs Battalion 163rd Heavy Grenadier Ausbildungs Battalion 388th Heavy Grenadier Ausbildungs Battalion 106th Heavy Grenadier Ausbildungs Battalion 309th (heavy) Artillery Ausbildungs Battalion 65th (heavy mot) Artillery Ausbildungs Battalion 29th (light) Artillery Ausbildungs Battalion 18th (officer training) Artillery Ausbildungs Battalion 29th Armored Pioneer Ausbildungs Battalion 9th Construction Pioneer Ausbildungs Battalion 9th Signals Ausbildungs Battalion II/9th Landesschützen Ausbildungs Battalion VIII School for Infantry Fahnenjunker Wetzlar 9th Army Infantry NCO School ROB Lehrgänge IX Wehrkreis

<u>410th</u> Division z.b.V.: Formed on 10/23/40 in Hamburg, X Wehrkreis, as the staff for special operations and to direct the Landesschützen in the Wehrkreis. In October 1940 the division had:

105th Landesschützen Regiment 106th Landesschützen Regiment Landesschützen Battalions: 653, 655, 659, 665, 666, 675, 676 10th Landesschützen Ersatz Battalion

In October 1943 the division contained only the Landesschützen Battalions: 496, 655, 659, 665, 666, the 520th Landesschützen Pioneer Battalion and the X Landesschützen Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion. On 20 January 1944 the division staff was disbanded.

<u>411th</u> Division z.b.V: Formed on 10/25/39 in Hanover, XI Wehrkreis, for special operations and the command of the Landesschützen forces in the Wehrkreis. In March 1940 the division had:

With the reorganization of the Replacement Army, in 1943 the division remained a Landesschützen division. IN December 1943 the division contained the 701st, 704th, 708th, 711th, and 721st Lan desschützen Battalions. The division was disbanded on 9/24/44 and the Landesschützen was taken over by the 31st Landesschützen Regiment.

<u>412th</u> <u>Division</u> <u>z.b.V.</u>: Formed on 1/12/40 in Weisbaden, XII Wehrkreis, for regional defense and to command the Landesschützen. In March 1940 the division commanded only the 765th and part of the 759th Landesschützen Battalions as well as the 12th Landesschützen Ersatz Battalion. On 10/23/40 the staff was reorganized into the staff of the 4th Mountain Division.

 $\frac{413 \text{th}}{\text{as a staff for special}} \frac{z.b.V.}{\text{special}}: Formed on 10/25/39 in Nürnburg, XIII Wehrkreis, operations and, above all, for the supervision of the Landesschützen. In March 1940 the contained:}$

131st Landesschützen Regiment Landesschützen Battalions: 801, 804, 807, 809, 810, 818, & 819 Landesschützen Battalions: 806, 806, 820 13th Landesschützen Ersatz Battalion

The division was disbanded on 6/10/42.

<u>413th</u> Division: Formed on 7/11/43 in Nürnburg, as a replacement formation for the 173rd Division which went to Croatia. In December 1943 the division contained:

113th Ersatz Grenadier Regiment 21, 42, 55, 95, 170, 186 Battalions
17th Artillery Ersatz und Ausbildungs Regiment 10, 53, & 231 Battalions
17th Reconnaissance Ausbildungs Battalion
47th Flak Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion 46th Pioneer Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion 13th Construction Pioneer Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion 13th Driver Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion Field Post Office Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion

By the time of the Leuthen Operation (3/24/45) part of the training forces in the Wehrkreis were sent to Aschaffenburg. They were:

413th Divisional Staff Staff/113th Ausbildungs Regiment 42nd Grenadier Ausbildungs Battalion 283rd (M) Grenadier Ausbildungs Battalion Staff/17th Artillery Ausbildungs Regiment 53rd (heavy mot) Artillery Ausbildungs Battalion 10th (light) Artillery Ausbildungs Battalion 20th Cavalry Ausbildungs Battalion 2nd Mounted Infantry Ausbildungs Battalion 46th Pioneer Ausbildungs Battalion 13th Construction Pioneer Ausbildungs Battalion 10th Signals Ausbildungs Battalion 13th Wehrkreis NCO Training School Döberitz Infantry School Amberg Army Artillery NCO Training School Deggendorf Army Pioneer NCO Training School

<u>416th</u> <u>Infantry</u> <u>Division</u>: Formed on 12/20/41 in Brunswick, the division had:

1/,2/,3/441st Infantry Regiment (from 982nd, 233rd & 542nd Landesschützen Battalions 1/,2/,3/443rd Infantry Regiment (from 360th, 426th & 507th Landesschützen Battalions 416th Artillery Battalion (1-3rd Light Btrys & 4th Heavy Btry) 416th Divisional (Einheiten) Service Units

On 3/1/42 the two regiments were renamed and the 441st IR became the 930th Landesschützen Regiment and the 443rd IR became the 931st Landesschützen. On 6/13/42 the two regiments were once again made infantry regiments and on 10/15/42 they became Grenadier Regiments. In January 1943 the division was assigned to Army Group Center in the east. The division formed two fortress regiments from security regimental staffs and battalions drawn from the rear areas of Army Group Center. They were:

712th Fortress Infantry Regiment (from Staff/27th Security Regiment and 244th, 323rd and 743rd Security Battalions on 1/15/43)
713th Fortress Infantry Regiment (from Staff/62nd Security Regiment and 481st, 483rd and 578th Security Battalions on 4/1/43)

On 8/1/43 both regiments became grenadier regiments. The 3/712th GR was detached to the east and replaced on 4/30/44 by the 662nd Ost Battalion. The division then organized a third regiment, the 714th (Ost) Grenadier Regiment from the 603rd, 653rd and 667th Ost Battalions. On 6/22/44 714th GR became known as the 714th (Russian) Grenadier Regiment and the 3/712th became the 3(Russian)/712th Grenadier Regiment.

On 10/4/44 the division was sent to the Western Front. The 4 Russian battalions remained in Denmark. (In 1945 the 714th Regiment became the 1604th Grenadier Regiment, 599th Russian brigade.) The division then formed a third German 714th Regiment and on 12/29/44 it was renumbered the 774th Grenadier Regiment to prevent confusion with the 714th (Russian) Regiment. On 8/22/44 the division expanded its Panzerjäger Company, a Signals Company, and Pioneer Companies into battalions. The Divisional Fusilier Company was formed and the artillery regiment was raised to a strength of four battalions. The division then had:

1/,2/712th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/713th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/774th Grenadier Regiment 416th Divisional Fusilier Company 1/,2/,3/,4/416th Artillery Regiment 416th Pioneer Battalion 416th Panzerjäger Battalion 416th Signals Battalion 416th Division (Einheiten) Service Units

The 416th Division was taken prisoner by the Americans by Traunstein.

<u>417th</u> Division z.b.V.: Formed on 10/25/39 in Vienna, XVII Wehrkreis, for special duties including the oversight of the Landesschützen. In March 1940 the division had:

On 12/1/42 the division had:

Landesschützen Battalions: 851, 858, 866, 872, 883, & 897 1/,2/,3/,4/Vienna Transport Escort Regiment 1/,2/,3/,4/Vienna "Standort" Battalions

On 5 January 1945 the division had:

417th Vienna Nomination Battalion I/, II/17th Landesschützen Ersatz Battalion I/,II/17th Ausbildungs Battalion Landesschützen Battalion: 851, 858, 866 (O), 872, 883 (M), & 897 I/,II/Vienna Transport Security Regiment 370th, 569th & 707th Transport Security Battalions

418th Division: Formed on 5/15/43 in Klagefurt, XVIII Wehrkreis, as a second recruit training staff in the Wehrkreis. On 11/1/43 was dis-

banded and replaced by the 438th Division z.b.V., which was then renamed the 418th Division and established in Salzburg for the direction of training to replace the 188th Division, which had become the 188th Reserve Mountain Jäger Division.

<u>421st Division</u> <u>z.b.V.</u>: Formed on 11/8/39 on 3/15/40 it became the 399th Infantry Command (Landesschützen) Division.

422nd Division z.b.V.: Formed on 10/24/39, on 1/16/40 it became the 401st Division Command z.b.V.

423rd Division z.b.V.: Formed on 10-/25/43, on 3/15/40 it was filled out with the disbanded 519th Field Command (Tomaszow) to form the staff of the 393rd Infantry (Landesschützen) Division and on 8/1/40 it was used to form the staff of the 393rd Senior Field Command.

<u>424th</u> Division <u>z.b.V.</u>: Formed on 10/24/39 in the east, on 2/1/40 it became the staff, 379th (Landesschützen) Division.

<u>425th</u> <u>Division</u> <u>z.b.V.</u>: Formed 10/24/39 in the east, on 6/1/40 it became the Staff, 100th Command of Training (Ersatz) Troops in Krasnik.

<u>426th</u> Division z.b.V.: Formed on 10/23/39 in the east, on 2/11/40 it was absorbed by the Staff/566th (Upper Rhine) Infantry Division.

<u>427th</u> Division z.b.V.: Formed on 10/23/39 in the east, on 2/16/40 it was absorbed by the Staff/567th (Upper Rhine) Infantry Division.

<u>428th</u> <u>Division</u> <u>z.b.V.</u>: Formed on 10/22/39 in Wehrkreis II for the XX General Command for the direction of the Landesschützen in the region. It had:

1./III Landesschützen Regiment (XIII/XI & II/IV Battalions)
3./II Landesschützen Regiment (IV/IV, XIII/IV, XV/II, & VII/II
Battalions)
2./IX Landesschützen Regiment (XVII/XI, IX/II, XIV/XI Battalions)

In the Fall 1840 it had only the

23rd Landesschützen Regiment (265th, 363rd & 717th Bns) Landesschützen Battalions: 259, 354, 713, 714, 397, & 985

The division was disbanded 12/20/42.

<u>429th</u> Division <u>z.b.V.</u>: Formed on 10/21/39 in the IX Wehrkreis for the direction of Landesschützen. On 10/26/39 it was sent to Posen. The division had, in March 1940:

33rd Landesschützen Landesschützen Battalions: 312, 217, 356, 602, 662

In June 1940 the division consisted of:

103rd Landesschützen Landesschützen Battalions: 301, 312, 317, 356, 610, & 723 In October 1940 the division had reduced to the 312th, 356th and 475th Landesschützen Battalions without regimental staffs, while the remainder of the division was transferred to guarding prisoners of war. The division was disbanded on 3/26/43.

430th Infantry Division z.b.V: Formed on 10/24/39 in the III Wehrkreis to support the XXI General Command with the direction of the Landesschützen, it was sent to Brody in the Ukraine (Galicia). In March 1940 the division oversaw the 301st, 310th, 319th and 723rd Landesschützen Battalions. The division command was sent to the field army in Holland on 5/20/40. The battalions were then divided between the 429th and 431st Divisions z.b.V. In June 1940 the Army Commander of the Netherlands (Army Command XXXVII) assumed command of the division and it was finally disbanded on 25 July 1940.

431st Division z.b.V.: Formed on 10/20/39 in the IV Wehrkreis for the XXI General Command for the direction of Landesschützen troops, in March 1940 the division had:

53rd Landesschützen Regiment (475, 476 & 821 Bns) 103rd Landesschützen Regiment (254, 308, & 814 Bns)

In June 1840 the staff was in Litzmannstadt and commanded:

53rd Landesschützen Regiment (662, 814 & 821 Bns) Landesschützen Battalions: 310, 475 & 476)

In October the division had control over the 317th and 723rd Landesschützen Battalions. The remainder were transferred to guarding POWs. The division was disbanded on 3/26/43.

<u>432nd Division</u> <u>z.b.V.</u>: Formed on 20/24/39 in Oppeln, VIII Wehrkreis. On 10/25/39 it moved to Kattowitz. In March 1940 the division contained:

41st Landesschützen Regiment (560, 563, 707, 752 Bns) 84th Landesschützen Regiment (370, 413, 514, & 515 Bns)

<u>432rd Division</u>: During the reorganization of the recruit training army in Germany on 10/1/42, the 432nd Division z.b.V., dropped the designation z.b.V., and became the 432rd Division. In December 1943 the division contained:

370th Ersatz Grenadier Regiment (84, 164, 183, 350, 444, 452 Bns) 528th Ersatz Grenadier Regiment (28, 58, 327, 372, 461 Bns) 116th Ersatz Artillery Regiment (8, 44, 54, 1/116th Bns) 8th Pioneer Ersatz Battalion 8th Transportation Training Battalion 8th Driver Training Battalion

At the end of 1944 the division was sent to Upper Silesia and joined with the field army.

<u>433rd Division</u>: Formed on 6/1/43 in Küstrin, III Wehrkreis, but was soon sent to Frank-am-Oder. In December 1943 the division contained: 533rd Ersatz Grenadier Regiment (122, 337, 338, 397 & 512 Bns) 543rd Ersatz Grenadier Regiment (169, 188, 457, 466, 477 & 479 Bns) 168th Ersatz Artillery Regiment (3, 23, 39, & 257) 9th Reconnaissance Ersatz Battalion 68th Pioneer Ersatz Battalion 1st Railroad Pioneer Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion 3rd Construction Pioneer Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion 3rd Transportation Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion 23rd Driver Training Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion

In 1944 the division returned to Küstrin. In 1945 the division was mobilized as the 433rd Ersatz Division and placed under the designation "C". It was destroyed on 1/30/45. The survivors were sent to the Raegener Division.

<u>438th</u> <u>Division</u>: Formed on 11/1/43 in Klagenfurt and sent to Salzburg to replace the 418th Division. In December 1943 the division contained:

184th Landesschützen (517, 921 & 928 Bns) 18th Landesschützen (611, 649 & 922 Bns) XVIII Border Watch Detachment Villach XVIII/E Border Watch Detachment Pettau

439th to 440th Divisions not formed

<u>441st Division</u> <u>z.b.V.</u>: Formed on 10/18/39 in the West, on 2/15/40 it was incorporated into the staff of the 554th (Upper Rhine) Infantry Division.

<u>443rd</u> Division <u>z.b.V.</u>, Formed on 10/18/39 in the West through the XI Wehrkreis. On 2/10/40 it was absorbed by the staff of the 555th (Upper Rhine) Division.

<u>445th</u> Division <u>z.b.V.</u>: Formed on 10/14/39 in Koblenz, XII Wehrkreis, for the west. On 10/12/40 it became the 412th Division z.b.V.

<u>454th</u> <u>Security</u> <u>Division</u>: Formed on 3/109/40 in Trachenberg, VIII Wehrkreis, from the 454th Division Command z.b.V. To this was added one third of the 221st Infantry Division. The division had:

1/,2/,3/375th Reinforced Infantry Regiment
3/221st Artillery Regiment (3 btrys)
375th Division (Einheiten) Support Units
Staff/57th Landesschützen Regiment

This was reinforced by:

829th Signals Battalion (on 11/4/41)
454th Cavalry (Reiter) Battalion (on 8/1/42)(after 8/26/42 this
was known as the 1. & 2. 454th Reiter (sp. Ost Reiter)
Battalion

Upon the formation of Army Group B, which took the 57th Security Regiment, it was replaced on 8/26/42 by the 602nd Security Regiment. The 375th Grenadier regiment was disbanded on the front on 5/31/43 and its remnants divided between the 111st and 304th Security Divisions. The staff was used to form the a staff like the Staff/360th Grenadier Regiment (444th Security Regiment) for a new regiment. The 454th Security Division now stood with:

1/,2/,3/360th Security Regiment (from 444th Sec Div) 1/,2/,3/375th Security Regiment (from 454th Sec Div) 1/,2/,3/,4/454th Ost Reiter Regiment 454th Artillery Battalion (3 btrys) 454th Ost Pioneer Battalion (3 Cos) 375th Command of Divisional Supply Troops

The division was destroyed in the Brody Pocket and disbanded on 8/5/44.

455th - 459th Divisions not formed

<u>460th</u> Division z.b.V.: Formed on 4/24/40 by Army Group B, on 5/26/40 to 8/6/40 it served in Denmark. On 10/25/40 it was disbanded and closed down in Lübeck. The division contained:

104th Landesschützen Regiment (?) 105th Landesschützen Regiment (325, 326, 675 Bns) 106th Landesschützen Regiment (702, 319, 809 Bns) 460th Landesschützen Artillery Regiment (1-3rd Btrys)

<u>461st</u> <u>Division</u>: Formed on 9/24/42 in Bialystok and eventually replaced the 151st Division as an Ersatz Division. On October 1943 it contained:

11th Ersatz und Ausbildungs Regiment (151, 346 & 400 Bns) 491st Ersatz und Ausbildungs Regiment (356,492,493,494 Bns) 521st Ersatz und Ausbildungs Regiment (2,23,162,311,389 Bns) 311th Pioneer Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion 2nd Construction Pioneer Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion 1st Transportation Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion 1st Driver Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion

In the Fall 1944 the division moved to Osterode and in March 1945 the division is shown as having no assigned units.

<u>462nd</u> <u>Division</u>: Formed on 10/15/42 in Nancy, from the Nanzig Division staff and the troops from the 182nd Division. On 12/10/42, upon the raising of the 182nd Reserve division, it was sent to Metz. In December 1943 the division had:

246th Ersatz Grenadier Regiment (125, 313, 352 Bns) 552nd Ersatz Grenadier Regiment (208, 212, 226,321,697, 698 Bns) 572nd Ersatz Grenadier Regiment (110,256,437,438,463,483,485 Bns) 14th Machine Gun Ersatz Battalion 35th Ersatz Artillery Regiment (70,105,179 Bns) 3rd Bridge Construction Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion

In September 1944 the Walküre units were drawn from the division:

Kampfgruppe 5/XXI (from 246th Erz. Gren. Regt)(5 Cos - 741 men)
Kampfgruppe 9/XXI (from 572nd Erz. Gren. Regt)(3 Cos - 502 men)

In October the following independent units were assigned to the division:

308th Grenadier Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion 352nd Grenadier Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion 33rd Artillery Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion 70th Artillery Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion

The remainder of the assigned units were detached to various kampfgruppe:

Krause Detachment (462nd Division) 208, 246, 352, 698,292 (M), 780th Landesschützen , 782nd II/12, 3rd Bridge Pioneers, & 70th Artillery)

Boehm Detachment (110, 118, 125, 463, 42nd Panzer Grenadiers)

Hagl Detachment (437, 438, 572, 285 (O))

The division provided the Krause Detachment with:

Kampfgruppe 15/XXI Kampfgruppe 5/XXI VI Alarm Fahnenjunker School (1-3rd Battalions)

On 10/9/44 the division contained:

1/,2/Wagner Grenadier Regiment 13th & 14th Cos., Wagner Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/Stössel Grenadier Regiment 13th & 14th Cos., Stössel Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/1010th Security Regiment 13th & 14th Cos., 1010th Security Regiment 1/,2/,3/,4/Palm Artillery Regiment Divisional Fusilier Company Panzerjäger Battalion Signals Pioneer Battalion Feldersatz Battalion Divisional (Einheiten) Service Units

The division absorbed the 208th Grenadier Ersatz & Ausbildungs Battalion, 33rd Artillery Ersatz Battalion, 70th Artillery Ersatz Battalion,

and the 2nd Pioneer Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion. Converted into the 462nd Infantry Division on 10/19/44. 462nd Infantry Division: Formed on 10/19/44, it contained: 1/,2/1215th Grenadier Regiment (from Stössel Regiment) 1/,2/1216th Grenadier Regiment (from Wagner Regiment) 1/,2/1217th Grenadier Regiment (from 1010th Security Regiment) 1/,2/,3/,4/462nd Artillery Regiment (from Palm Art. Regt.) 462nd Divisional Fusilier Company 1462nd Pioneer Battalion 1462nd Signal Battalion 1462nd Feldersatz Battalion 1462nd Supply Troops In November the division was renamed the 462nd Volks Grenadier Division. In doing so it absorbed the following: 1010th Security Regiment 208th Grenadier Replacement and Training Battalion 12th Infantry Pioneer Replacement and Training Battalion Det/3rd Bridge Construction Battalion 70th Replacement Artillery Battalion 1/33rd Artillery Replacement Battlaion 14th Campaign Battalion (1 co.) von Stössel Regiment Wagner Regiment On 6 November 1944 it had: 1/,2/1215th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/1216th Grenadier Regiment 761st Special Artillery Regiment 1/460th Artillery Regiment 2/460th Artillery Regiment 462nd Pioneer Battalion 462nd Panzerjäger Battalion 462nd Feldersatz Battalion 462nd Divisional (Einheiten) Service Units The division was destroyed by Metz and Diedenhofen and not reformed. 463rd Division: Formed on 10/1/42 in Potsdam, to replace the 153rd Division with the following units: 293rd Grenadier Ersatz Regiment (9, 68, 230, & 323 Bns) 523rd Grenadier Ersatz Regiment (67, 203, 309, & 386 Bns) 23rd Artillery Ersatz Regiment (59 & 75 Bns) 3rd Pioneer Ersatz Battalion 23rd Pioneer Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion 208th Armored Pioneer Ersatz Battalion 4th Railroad Pioneer Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion 3rd Driver Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion In January 1945 the division was converted into the 463rd Ersatz

Division and mobilized. It was destroyed on 1/31/45. It was then reformed on 3/23/45 and contained: 293rd Grenadier Ausbildungs Regiment (from 68th & 230th Fusilier Ausbildungs Bn & 9th Grenadier Ausbildungs Battalion) 523rd Grenadier Ausbildungs Regiment (from 67th, 203rd & 309th Grenadier Ausbildungs Battalions) 23rd Artillery Ausbildungs Regiment (from 3rd & 23rd Light Artillery Ausbildungs Bns & 75th (mot) Aus. Bn) 3rd Pioneer Ausbildungs Battalion 208th Armored Pioneer Ausbildungs Battalion 13th (Hungarian) Artillery Battalion 1/87th (Hungarian) Infantry Regiment 464th Division: Formed on 9/23/42 in Chemnitz as the Ersatz Division to replace the 174th Reserve Division. In December 1943 it contained: 14th Grenadier Ersatz und Ausbildungs Regiment (11,53,63 & 465 Bns) 534th Grenadier Ersatz Regiment (31,102,185,304,456 Bns) 24th Ersatz Artillery Regiment (14,24,50 Bns) 14th Pioneer Ersatz Battalion 4th Construction Pioneer Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion 4th Transportation Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion 4th Driver Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion On 3/26/45 the 464th Ausbildungs Division was mobilized and had: 14th Grenadier Ersatz und Ausbildungs Regiment (11th Bn) 534th Grenadier Ersatz Regiment (31,414,185 & 102 Bns) 24th Ersatz Artillery Regiment (4 (mot), 40, 24, 50 Bns) 10th Reconnaissance Ersatz Battalion 14th Pioneer Ersatz Battalion 253rd Pioneer Ersatz Battalion 4th Construction Pioneer Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion IV ROB Lehrgang 1st Nebelwerfer Ausbildungs Regiment (1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th Ausbildungs Bns) The division may also have had the 561st Grenadier Ausbildungs Regiment assigned to it. 465th Division: Formed on 9/29/42 in Epinal with the 165th Division providing the staff to replace the 165th Reserve Division. On its return to Germany on 12/2/42 it went to Stuttgart and in 1943 to Ludwigsburg. In December 1943 the division contained: 515th Grenadier Ersatz und Ausbildungs Regiment (75,195,230, & 460 Bns) 525th Grenadier Ersatz Regiment (111, 380, 435, & 470 Bns) 25th Ersatz Artillery Regiment (5,61,& 260 Bns) 18th Reconnaissance Ersatz Battalion 55th Flak Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion 5th Armored Pioneer Ersatz Battalion 5th Construction Pioneer Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion

In September 1944 the division formed the 525th Staff with the 75th, 195th, and 380th Battalion and the Kampfgruppe C/V. On 3/28/45 the division was in training near Rastatt, Freiburg and Ettlingen. The division contained:

525th Grenadier Ausbildungs Regiment (380 & 111 Grenadier Ausbildungs Bns) 515th Grenadier Ausbildungs Regiment (195 Grenadier & 75 Jäger Ausbildungs Bns) 35th Grenadier Ausbildungs Regiment (109th & 390th Grenadier Bns) 5th Light Ausbildungs Artillery Battalion 260th Ausbildungs Artillery Battalion 35th Pioneer Ausbildungs Battalion 5th Construction Pioneer Ausbildungs Battalion

<u>466th</u> <u>Division</u>: Formed on 11/23/44 in Bielefeld to replace the 176th Division, which was sent to the front. It contained:

416th Ersatz Grenadier Regiment 426th Ersatz Grenadier Regiment 6th Ersatz Artillery Regiment 276th Army Flak Battalion (1 flak btry & 3 gun companies) 26th Ersatz Pioneer Battalion (staff & 2 company) 6th Pioneer Ausbildungs Battalion (staff & 2 company) 6th Construction Pioneer Ersatz und Ausbildungs Bn (staff & 1 grenadier company) 6th Observation Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion (staff & 4 grenadier companies)

15th Reconnaissance Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion (staff & 2 grenadier companies on bicycles)

In March 1945 the division began being broken up and its units sent to the front individually. On 3/29/45 the staff was in Driburg and took over the 571st Regiment.

<u>467th</u> <u>Division</u>: Formed on 10/1/42 in Munich, VII Wehrkreis, to replace the 157th Reserve Division. The division had:

517th Grenadier Ersatz Regiment (19, 61, 62 Bns)
387th Grenadier Ersatz Regiment (179, 199, 217 Bns)
537th Mountain Jäger Ersatz Regiment (1/98, 2/98, 99 & 100 Bns)
57th Artillery Ersatz Regiment (7 & 79 Bns)
7th Observation Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion
7th Reconnaissance Ersatz Battalion
7th Pioneer Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion
3rd Pioneer Lehr Battalion
7th Driver Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion
2nd Supply Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion

On or about 6/18/43 the division added the 467th infantry signals ersatz company, 467th panzerjäger ersatz company, 467th infantry gun

ersatz company and 467th infantry pioneer ersatz company. On 9/15/44 the 407th Division was disbanded. Its units were assigned to the 467th Division. In 1944 they were sent from Munich to Garmish and then on to Augsburg. With the disbanding of the 527th Ersatz Infantry Regiment (407th ID) and the 57th Artillery Ersatz division, the division had:

307th Grenadier Ersatz und Ausbildungs Regiment 387th Grenadier Ersatz und Ausbildungs Regiment 517th Grenadier Ersatz und Ausbildungs Regiment 537th Mountain Jäger Ersatz und Ausbildungs Regiment 27th Artillery Ersatz und Ausbildungs Regiment

The division (still known as the 407th Division) surrendered some of its elements to the Gneisenau Force as Kampfgruppe on 3/26/45 the division formed the Bavarian Ausbildungs Division with the 407th and 467th Grenadier Ausbildungs Regiments.

467th-468th Divisions not formed

<u>469th</u> <u>Division</u>: Formed on 9/24/44 in Eisenach, as a division staff z.b.V. Its organization is unknown. In May 1945 it was mobilized to the LXXXX Corps, 4th Panzer Army, Army Group Center.

470th Division: Not formed

<u>471st</u> Division: Formed on 9/28/42 in Hannover, as a Staff for the replacement troops and to replace the 171st and 191st Reserve Divisions which moved to Belgium. In December 1943 the division had:

551st Grenadier Ersatz Regiment (211, 248, 588, 590 Bns) 561st Grenadier Ersatz Regiment (12, 17, 191, 461, 481, 491 Bns) 571st Grenadier Ersatz Regiment (82, 194, 396, 398 Bns) 13th Artillery Ersatz Regiment (13, 19, 31, 49 Bns) 14th Reconnaissance Ersatz Battalion 19th Armored Pioneer Ersatz Battalion 4th Pioneer Ersatz Battalion 11th Construction Pioneer Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion 11th Transportation Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion 11th Driver Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion

In January 1945 the division detached units as part of the Gneisenau Force under the former Denecke Division Command to Pommerania to the Vistula Army Group. AT the end of March 1945 the entire division was committed with the 551st and 571st Regiments going to the west, the 561st Grenadier Ausbildungs going to Saxony on the Oder.

Sent to West Goten
471st Divisional Staff
Staff/551st Grenadier Regiment
Grenadier Ausbildungs Battalion: 17, 211, 348, 588, & 590
Staff/571st Grenadier Regiment
Grenadier Ausbildungs Battalion: 82, 194, 396, & 398
19th Artillery Ausbildungs Battalion
19th Armored Pioneer Ausbildungs Battalion

13th Signals Ausbildungs Battalion 11th Landesschützen Ausbildungs Battalion XI Training Staff 31st Artillery Officer Battalion Army NCO School for Nebelwerfer Troops, Celle 11th Army NCO School for Infantry, Hanover

Sent to East Goten
Staff/561st Grenadier Regiment
Grenadier Ausbildungs Battalion: 191, 12, 497
Staff/13th Artillery Regiment
13 & 53 Artillery Ausbildungs Battalion
49th (heavy) Artillery Ausbildungs Battalion
4th Pioneer Ausbildungs Battalion

In April 1945 the division was assigned to the LXXXVI Corps, 1st Fallschirm-Armee.

472nd to 475th Divisions: Not formed.

 $\frac{476 \text{th}}{526 \text{th}}$ Division: formed in October 1944 in Wuppertal to replace the 526th Division which was sent to the front. The division contained:

211th Grenadier Ersatz Regiment (later Haltern - March 1945) 253rd Grenadier Ersatz Regiment 536th Grenadier Ersatz Regiment 16th Artillery Ersatz Regiment Other units from the 526th Division

On 3/23/45 the division was sent to West Goten. The battalions were sent to the front individually. The division had, in its last organization, the following units:

253rd Grenadier Ausbildungs Regiment Grenadier Ausbildungs Battalion: 77, 453, 454 Heavy Grenadier Ausbildungs Battalion: 253 426th Grenadier Ausbildungs Regiment Grenadier Ausbildungs Battalion: 18, 193, 286 (O) 536th Grenadier Ausbildungs Regiment Grenadier Ausbildungs Battalion: 464, 473, 798, 365, 412 Heavy Grenadier Ausbildungs Battalion: 536 6th Artillery Ausbildungs Battalion Wehrkreis ROB Lehrgang VI

In March 1945 it was assigned to the LXXXI Corps, 15th Army, Army Group B on the lower Rhine.

477th-479th Divisions: Not formed.

<u>480th</u> <u>Division</u>: Formed on 11/1/44 in Verden to replace the 180th Division, which was sent to Holland. On 3/10/45 it contained:

22nd Grenadier Ersatz und Ausbildungs Regiment (16,154,376,489 Bns) 269th Grenadier Ersatz und Ausbildungs Regiment (47, 65, 1/10th Landesschützen Bns)
22nd Artillery Ersatz und Ausbildungs Regiment (11,22)
20th Cavalry Ersatz Battalion
52nd Flak Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion
30th Pioneer Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion
280th (M) Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion

On 27 March the division was sent to West Goten on the Weser and had:

269th Grenadier Ausbildungs Regiment (47, 65, 280 (M) Bns) 22nd Grenadier Ausbildungs Regiment (1909 men total) 32nd Army Flak Ausbildungs Battalion 1/10th Landesschützen Ausbildungs Battalion 2nd Nebelwerfer Ausbildungs Regiment (7,491 men)

481st-486th Divisions: Not formed:

<u>487th</u> <u>Division</u>: Formed on 10/1/42 in Linz to replace the 187th Reserve Division which was sent to Croatia. It had:

557th Grenadier Ersatz Regiment (2/133, 1/135, 2/482, & 1/486 Bns) 587th Grenadier Ersatz Regiment (1/130, 2/130, 1/133, 2/135/, & 2/462 Bns) 96th Artillery Ersatz Battalion 86th Pioneer Ersatz Battalion 17th Driver Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion

On 1/30/45 the division had:

557th Grenadier Ersatz Regiment (2/130, 2/482, 1/486, 557th Heavy Bn) 587th Grenadier Ersatz Regiment (1/130, 1/133, 2/462, 587th Heavy Bn) 277th Army Flak Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion 86th Pioneer Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion 86th Driver Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion

On 3/25/45 the division was called up during the Leuthen Call-up and sent to the front.

488th & 489th Divisions: Not formed.

<u>490th</u> <u>Division</u>: Formed on 11/1/44 in Neumünster to replace the 190th Division, which was sent to Holland. On 3/10/45 the division contained:

10th Transportation Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion 10th Driver Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion

On 27 March 1945 the division was sent to the Weser. The 520th Grenadier Regiment disappears from its roles and the 480th Grenadier Regiment appears for the first time, as do the 10th Army NCO School and the ROB Lehrgang Lübeck. In April 1945 the division was assigned to the LXXXVI Corps in the 1st Fallschirm-Armee.

491st to 525th Divisions: Not formed.

526th Infantry Division: Formed on 10/15/39 in Cologne as part of the 9th Border Detachment. IT contained:

1/,2/,3/6th Grenzwacht Regiment (9 Cos)
1/,2/,3/16th Grenzwacht Regiment (9 Cos)

During On 5/28/40 t he division was assigned escort duties for the transport of POWs then assigned to guarding the Dutch-Belgian border. In October 1940 the division contained:

Staff/33rd Landesschützen Regiment
Staff/76th Landesschützen Regiment
Landesschützen Battalions: "B", 254,308,854,871,902, & 909

On 12/15/41 the division was disbanded. The staff went to the 329th Division and the troops were assigned to the 406th Division z.b.V.

526th Division (Staff/Aachen Division: Formed on 12/20/41 from the 526th Divisional staff.

526th Aachen Division: Formed on 9/28/41 from the 526th Division (Staff/Aachen Division). The division replaced the 156th Reserve Division and contained:.

211th Infantry Ersatz Regiment (39, 306, 317, 365 Bns) 253rd Infantry Ersatz Regiment (328, 453, 464, 473 Bns) 536th Infantry Ersatz Regiment (77,78,366,412,454,474,484 Bns) 26th Artillery Ersatz Regiment (1/211, 26) 16th Pioneer Ausbildungs bzw. Ersatz Battalion 523rd Pioneer Ausbildungs bzw. Ersatz Battalion 103rd Flak Ersatz Battalion 16th Driver Ersatz bzw. Ausbildungs Battalion 253rd Driver Ersatz bzw. Ausbildungs Battalion

The battalions of the 211th and 253rd Regiments were split up into Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalions. The 536th Regiment was reduced to a single ersatz battalion. In September 1944, with the British airborne landing at Arnheim, the entire division was called up as a Walküre unit. IT had:

211th Grenadier Ersatz und Ausbildungs Regiment (3 Bns, 12 Cos) 253rd Grenadier Ersatz und Ausbildungs Regiment (4 Bns, 16 Cos, Pioneer Co., Panzerjäger Co., & Flak Company) 536th Grenadier Ersatz und Ausbildungs Regiment (4 Bns, 16 Cos) 16th Artillery Ersatz und Ausbildungs Regiment
 (1 Bn, 4 Cos as infantry)
 (1 detachment, 4 btrys of artillery)
16th Pioneer Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion (3 Cos)

The division had a total of 12,711 men.

526th Reserve Division: Little is known of this force, except that it was formed with parts of the 176th and 526th Divisions. It contained:

The organization was not completed, as many of the units were sent to the front. The divisional staff was assigned to support a number of foreign units and on 10 December 1944 it was under OB West, Army Group G, in the Rheinpfalz as a Kampfverband.

527th-536th Divisions: Not formed:

537th Division z.b.V.: Formed on 12/9/39 in Innsbrück to watch the Italian border. It was disbanded on 12/9/40, but prior to that it contained:

191st Border Watch Detachment 192nd Border Watch Detachment

538th z.b.V. Division: Formed on 12/90/39 in Klangenfurt by the renaming of the 20th Border Defense Detachment on the German Italian and German Italian border. It also was known as the 538th Division. At the beginning of the Balkan campaign in 1941, on 3/28/41, it was called up to duty for a short period, but quickly stood down and was disbanded. The division contained:

193rd Border Watch Detachment 194th Border Watch Detachment 195th Border Watch Detachment

<u>539th</u> <u>Division</u> <u>z.b.V.</u>: Formed on 10/15/39 in Prague by the renaming of the I Landesschützen Command, the division had in March 1940:

Staff/72nd Landesschützen Regiment Landesschützen Battalions: 504, 618, 822, 373, 374

On 9/10/43 the Staff/49th Landesschützen moved to Prague and the 539th Signals Company and 539th Artillery Battalions were formed. In

1945 the 1/,2/49th Regiment of the 48th Infantry Division and 1/,2/72nd Regiment of the 168th Divisions were assigned to Silesia as part of this division.

540th Division z.b.V.: Formed on 10/15/39 in Brünn by the redesignation of the 11th Landesschützen Command (formerly 3/XVII Landesschützen Regiment). It was also known as the 540th Infantry Division. In March 1940 the division had:

Staff/182nd Landesschützen Regiment
Landesschützen Battalions: 655, 905, 911, 912
540th Signals Company
540th Battery

<u>541st</u> <u>Grenadier</u> <u>Division</u>: formed on 7/7/44 as a "Sperr Division" (29th Wave) by merging Kampf March Battalions 1043-1048 and the 3rd & 4th Bns of the artillery regiments in Gross-Born with the 1/,2/1st Lehr Artillery Regiment. The division had:

1/,2/1073rd Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/1074th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/1075th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/,3/,4/1541st Artillery Regiment 541st Divisional Fusilier Company 541st Division (Einheiten) Service Units

541st Volks Grenadier Division: On 10/9/44 the 541st Grenadier Division became a Volks Grenadier Division and was made part of the 32nd Wave. It formed Fusilier, Feldersatz, Panzerjäger, Pioneer, and Signals battalions as it was organized. On 12/16/44 the 1073rd Grenadier Regiment was disbanded and replaced by the former 931st Security Regiment. The 2/1074th Grenadier Regiment became a fusilier battalion and was replaced by the 1/122nd Security Regiment. In March 1945 it was assigned to the VI Corps, 4th Army in Army Group North fighting in East Prussia.

1/,2/931st Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/1074th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/1075th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/,3/,4/1541st Artillery Regiment 541st Divisional Fusilier Battalion 541st Panzerjäger Battalion 541st Pioneer Battalion 541st Signals Battalion 541st Division (Einheiten) Service Units

542nd Grenadier Division: Formed on 7/8/44 as a "Sperr Division" (29th Wave) with:

1/,2/1076th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/1077th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/1078th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/,3/,4/1542nd Artillery Regiment 542nd Divisional Fusilier Company 542nd Division (Einheiten) Service Units It became the 542nd Infantry Division on 8/12/44 and was filled out to a complete Type 44 division on 8/15/44 in East Prussia.

542nd Volks Grenadier Division: On 10/9/44 the 542nd Infantry Division became the 542nd Volks Grenadier Division as part of the 32nd Wave. On 10/18/4 it absorbed the 1131st Grenadier Brigade. In April 1945 the division was disbanded.

543rd Grenadier Division: Formed on 7/10/44 as a "Sperr Division" (29th Wave). On 7/18/44 it became the 78th Grenadier Division, when the 78th Sturm Division was destroyed. The units were then given the numbers of the earlier 78th Sturm Division:

1/,2/1079th Grenadier Regiment became 14th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/1080th Grenadier Regiment became 195th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/1081st Grenadier Regiment became 215th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/,3/,4/1543rd Artillery Regiment became 178th Artillery Regt. 542nd Fusilier Battalion 542nd Pioneer Battalion 542nd Signals Battalion 542nd Division Service Units became 178th Division Svc. Units

544th Grenadier Division: Formed on 7/10/44 as a "Sperr Division" (29th Wave) with:

1/,2/1082nd Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/1083rd Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/1084th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/,3/,4/1543rd Artillery Regiment 544th Divisional Fusilier Company 544th Division (Einheiten) Service Units

On 9/14/44 the 1136th Grenadier Brigade, and perhaps the 545th Divisional Fusilier Battalion, were absorbed into the division.

544th Volks Grenadier Division: Formed on 10/9/44 from the 544th Grenadier division and made part of the 32nd Wave. It then reformed its panzerjäger, pioneer and signals companies into battalions. It served from February through April with the LIX Corps in the 1st Panzer Army. The division was captured by the Russians in Bohemia.

545th <u>Grenadier</u> <u>Division</u>: Formed on 7/10/44 as a "Sperr Division" (29th Wave) from the 1049th, 1041st and 1052nd Kampf March Battalions. It had:

1/,2/1085th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/1086th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/1087th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/,3/,4/1545th Artillery Regiment 545th Divisional Fusilier Company 545th Division (Einheiten) Service Units

On 9/14/44 part of the 1070th Grenadier Regiment (Army troops) was

incorporated into the division and the 2/1136th Grenadier Brigade became the 545th Fusilier Battalion.

545th Volks Grenadier Division: Formed on 10/9/44 from the 545th Grenadier Division as part of the 32nd Wave. During the winter the fusilier, panzerjäger, pioneer and signal companies were raised to battalion strength. In February the division, after the loss of the Baranov bridgehead, was disbanded. The infantry was assigned to the 78th Volks Sturm Division. the division was then reformed in Silesian in April 1945. The panzerjäger battalion was formed from the 178th Panzerjäger Battalion and the 1087th Grenadier Regiment was reformed from the 2nd Ostland Security Regiment. The division was taken prisoner by the Russians by Guben.

546th Grenadier Division: Formed on 7/7/44 as a "Sperr Division" (29th Wave) it shortly later became 45th Grenadier Division when the 45th Infantry Division, serving with the Army Group Center was destroyed. The division renumbered its units as follows:

1/,2/1085th Grenadier Regiment became 130th Grenadier Regt. 1/,2/1086th Grenadier Regiment became 133rd Grenadier Regt. 1/,2/1087th Grenadier Regiment became 135th Grenadier Regt. 1/,2/,3/,4/1545th Artillery Regiment became 98th Art. Regt. 545th Divisional Fusilier Company 545th Division Service Units became 45th Division Service units with the 81st Pioneer and the 65th Signals Battalions

547th Grenadier Division: Formed on 7/11/44 as a "Sperr Division" (29th Wave) with:

1/,2/1091st Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/1092nd Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/1093rd Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/,3/,4/1547th Artillery Regiment 547th Divisional Fusilier Company 547th Division (Einheiten) Service Units

547th Volks Grenadier Division: Formed on 10/9/44 from the 547th Grenadier division as part of the 32nd Wave. In February 1945 it was destroyed in East Prussia and the survivors were sent to the 170th Infantry Division. It was reformed on 3/10/45 with only two regiments as the Hannover Shadow Division (34th Wave). The 1093rd Grenadiers were not reformed and the artillery regiment had only a single battalion. It was taken prisoner by the Americans by Schwerin.

548th Grenadier Division: Formed on 7/11/44 as a "Sperr Division" (29th Wave) with:

1/,2/1094th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/1095th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/1096th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/,3/,4/1548th Artillery Regiment 548th Divisional Fusilier Company 548th Division (Einheiten) Service Units 548th Volks Grenadier Division: Formed on 10/9/44 from the 548th Grenadier Division as part of the 32nd Wave. It was destroyed by Pillau and Königsberg and was never formally disbanded.

549th Grenadier Division: Formed on 7/11/44 as a "Sperr Division" (29th Wave) with:

1/,2/1097th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/1098th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/1099th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/,3/,4/1549th Artillery Regiment 549th Divisional Fusilier Company 549th Division (Einheiten) Service Units

549th Volks Grenadier Division: Formed from the 549th Grenadier Division on 10/9/44 as part of the 32nd Wave. In March 1945 it was rebuilt by Pasewalk. The division was taken prisoner by the Americans in Mecklenburg.

550th Grenadier Division: Formed on 7/11/44 as a "Sperr Division" (29th Wave), it was renamed the 31st Grenadier Division when the 31st Infantry Division was destroyed. It was renamed as follows:

1/,2/1100th Grenadier Regiment became 12th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/1111th Grenadier Regiment became 17th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/1112th Grenadier Regiment became 82nd Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/,3/,4/1550 Artillery Regiment became 82nd Grenadier Regiment 550th Divisional Fusilier Company 547th Division Service Units became 31st Division Service Units

551st Grenadier Division: Formed on 7/11/44 as a "Sperr Division" (29th Wave) with:

1/,2/1113th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/1114th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/1115th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/,3/,4/1551st Artillery Regiment 551st Divisional Fusilier Company 551st Division (Einheiten) Service Units

551st Volks Grenadier Division: Formed on 10/9/44 by renaming the 551st Grenadier Division as part of the 32nd Wave. The division fought in East Prussia, where it was captured by the Russians.

552nd Grenadier Division: Formed on 7/11/44 as a "Sperr Division" (29th Wave). On 7/25/44 it became the 6th Grenadier Division when the 6th Infantry Division was destroyed. It was renamed as follows:

1/,2/1116th Grenadier Regiment became 18th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/1117th Grenadier Regiment became 37th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/111th Grenadier Regiment became 58th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/,3/1552nd Artillery Regiment became 1/,2/,3/6th Art Regt. 4/1552nd Artillery Regiment became 1/42nd Artillery Regiment 552nd Divisional Fusilier Company 552nd Division Service Units became 6th Division Service Units 553rd Grenadier Division: Formed on 7/11/44 as a "Sperr Division" (29th Wave) with:

1/,2/1119th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/1120th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/1121st Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/,3/,4/1553rd Artillery Regiment 553rd Divisional Fusilier Company 553rd Division (Einheiten) Service Units

553rd Volks Grenadier Division: Formed on 10/9/44 by renaming the 553rd Grenadier Division as part of the 32nd Wave. It was destroyed near Nancy, Lorraine. It was reformed in October 1944 with the 1416th Fortress Machine Gun Battalion, the 51st and 56th Security Battalions, 960th and 110th Grenadier Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion, and the 243rd Pioneer. On 11/15/44 the division had:

1/,2/,3/1119th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/1120th Grenadier Regiment 2/,3/,4/1553rd Artillery Regiment 553rd Division (Einheiten) Service Units

On 3 November 1944 it absorbed:

1416th Fortress Infantry Battlaion
51st Fortress Machine Gun Battlaion
56th Fortress Machine Gun Battlaion
243rd Pioneer Battlaion (from 243rd Garrison Infantry Division)
960th Security Battalion
110th Replacement and Training Battalion

On 6 November 1944 it had:

1/,2/1119th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/1120th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/,3/,4/1553rd Artillery Regiment 553rd Divisional Fusilier Company 1553rd Panzerjäger Battalion 553rd Signals Company 553rd Military Police Detachment 553rd Division (Einheiten) Service Units

The division appears to have been destroyed and reformed again before passing into American captivity in Württemberg.

554th Infantry Division: Formed on 2/15/40 as a position division for the Upper Rhine. It had:

Staff - 441st Division Command z.b.V. 1/,2/,3/621st Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/622nd Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/623rd Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/554th Artillery regiment 554th Observation Battalion 554th Panzerjäger Battalion 554th Reconnaissance Battalion 554th Pioneer Battalion 554th Signals Battalion 554th Divisional Service Units

The division was disbanded on 8/13/40. The infantry was used to form Heimat Wach Battalions, which became the 439th-445th Landesschützen Battalions on 1/1/41.

555th Infantry Division: Formed on 2/10/40 for duty on the Upper Rhine with:

Staff from 443rd Division Command z.b.V. 1/,2/,3/624th Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/625th Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/626th Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/627th Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/555th Artillery Regiment 555th Observation Battalion 555th Panzerjäger Battalion 555th Reconnaissance Battalion 555th Pioneer Battalion 555th Signals Battalion 555th Division Service Units

On 8/31/40 the division was disbanded. Its infantry became Heimat Wach Battalions that, on 1/1/41, became the 456th, 463rd, 469th, 473rd, 474th, 479th, 492nd and 493rd Landesschützen Battalions.

556th Infantry Division: Formed on 2/11/40 as a position division for the upper Rhine, it contained:

Staff from 426th Division Command z.b.V. 1/,2/,3/628th Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/629th Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/630th Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/556th Artillery Regiment 556th Observation Battalion 556th Signals Battalion 556th Division Service Units

On 7/26/40 the division was disbanded. The infantry became Heimat Wach Battalions, which on 1/1/41 became the 784th-789th Landesschützen Battalions.

 $\frac{557\text{th}}{\text{Rhine}}$ $\frac{\text{Infantry}}{\text{with:}}$ $\frac{\text{Division}}{\text{Formed on 2/15/40}}$ for duty on the Upper

Staff from 427th Division Command z.b.V. 1/,2/,3/632nd Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/633rd Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/634th Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/557th Artillery Regiment 557th Observation Battalion 557th Signals Battalion 557th Division Service Units

On 8/31/40 the division was disbanded. Its infantry became Heimat Wach Battalions that, on 1/1/41, became the 975th-983rd Landesschützen Battalions.

 $\frac{558th}{Wave}$ Grenadier Division: Formed on 7/11/44 as a "Sperr Division" (29th Wave) with:

1/,2/1122nd Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/1123rd Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/1124th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/,3/,4/1558th Artillery Regiment 558th Divisional Fusilier Company 558th Division (Einheiten) Service Units

558th Volks Grenadier Division: Formed on 10/9/44 by renaming the 558th Grenadier Division as part of the 32nd Wave. The Panzerjäger, fusilier and pioneer companies were raised in strength to battalions. The division was assigned to the LV in April, when it was captured by the Russians near Pillau.

559th Grenadier Division: Formed on 7/11/44 as a "Sperr Division" (29th Wave) with:

1/,2/1125th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/1126th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/1127th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/,3/,4/1559th Artillery Regiment 559th Divisional Fusilier Company 559th Division (Einheiten) Service Units

559th Volks Grenadier Division: Formed on 10/9/44 by renaming the 559th Grenadier Division as part of the 32nd Wave. On 6 November 1944 it contained:

1/,2/1125th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/1126th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/1127th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/,3/,4/1559th Artillery Regiment 1559th Pioneer Battalion 1559th Flak Battery 1559th Panzerjäger Battery (battalion by 1 December) 1559th Fusilier Company 1559th Military Police Detachment

On 1 December 1944 it contained the following additional units:

1652nd Flak Battery
3/103rd Flak Battalion
1/,2/,4/805th Flak Battalion

On 4 March 1945 it contained:

1/,2/1125th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/1126th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/1127th Grenadier Regiment 1559th Fusilier Company 1/,2/,3/,4/1559th Artillery Regiment 1559th Pioneer Battalion 1559th (mot) Panzerjäger Battalion 1559th Military Police Detachment

It was with the LXXX Corps when it was captured by the Americans near Münsingen.

 $\frac{560\text{th}}{\text{with:}}$ Grenadier Division: Formed on 8/1/44 as part of the 30th Wave

1/,2/1128th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/1129th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/1130th Grenadier Regiment 560th Divisional Fusilier Battalion 1/,2/,3/,4/1560th Artillery Regiment 560th Panzerjäger Battalion 560th Pioneer Battalion 560th Signals Battalion 558th Division (Einheiten) Service Units

560th Volks Grenadier Division: Formed on 8/10/44 or 9/18/44 by renaming the 560th Grenadier Division as part of the 32nd Wave. On 10/9/44 the 4/1560th Artillery Regiment was sent to Norway to replace the 3/274th Artillery Regiment and was replaced. The division was destroyed in the Eifel in March 1945, but on 4 March 1945 it had:

1/,2/1128th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/1129th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/1130th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/,3/,4/1560th Artillery Regiment 560th (mot) Panzerjäger Battalion 560th Pioneer Battalion 560th Signals Battalion 558th Division (Einheiten) Service Units

561st Grenadier Division: Formed on 7/27/44 as part of the 30th Wave from the 1st Ostpreussen Grenadier Division (29th Wave). It had:

1/,2/,3/1141st Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/,3/1142nd Grenadier Regiment 561st Divisional Fusilier Company 1/,2/,3/,4/1561st Artillery Regiment 558th Division (Einheiten) Service Units

On 9/8/44 the 1143rd Grenadier Regiment was formed from the 1/141st and 3/1142nd GR. The 1/1141st was replaced by the reinforced 603rd Grenadier Battalion.

561st Volks Grenadier Division: Formed on 10/9/44 by renaming the 561st Grenadier Division as part of the 32nd Wave. The divisional fusilier, panzerjäger, pioneer and signal battalions were formed. In January 1945 the 1/1142nd and 2/1143rd were replaced by the 957th and 523rd Landesschützen Battalions. The 3/1141st was disbanded. It served with the XXVI Corps in April and was taken prisoner near Pillau.

562nd Grenadier Division: Formed on 7/27/44 with the 2nd Ostpreussen Grenadier Division (29th Wave). It had:

1/,2/1144th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/1145th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/,3/,4/1562nd Artillery Regiment 1562nd Divisional Fusilier Company 1562nd Divisional (Einheiten) Service Units

On 9/10/44 the 1146th Grenadier Regiment was formed from the 1/1144th and 1/1145th GR. Those regiments then renamed their 3rd Bns as their 1st Bns.

562nd Volks Grenadier Division: Formed on 10/9/44 buy renaming the 562nd Grenadier Division. It formed a panzerjäger, pioneer, fusilier and signals battalions in February 1945. It was destroyed in the Heiligenbeil Pocket and the survivors were sent to Warnemünde and the staff became the staff of the 4th Reichsarbeitsdienst (Reich Work Service) Division (Güstow).

563rd Grenadier Division: Formed on 8/17/44 from the Lehr Grenadier Division (30th Wave) forming at Döberitz. It had:

1/,2/1147th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/1148th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/1149th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/,3/,4/1563rd Artillery Regiment 1563rd Fusilier Company 1563rd Division Service Units

563rd Volks Grenadier Division: Formed on 10/9/44 from the 563rd Grenadier Division as part of the 32nd Wave. The 1147th Division was disbanded on 10/12/44 and formed the 1147th Fusilier Battalion. The division had, as a result, only five battalions. IT was taken prisoner by the Russians in April 1945 by Libau.

564th Volks Grenadier Division: Formed on 8/26/44 as part of the 32nd Wave from the Döllersheim Shadow Division. It had

1/,2/1150th Grenadier Regiment (later 330th Gren Rgt)
1/,2/1151st Grenadier Regiment (later 343rd Gren Rgt)
1/,2/1152nd Grenadier Regiment (later 351st Gren Rgt)
1/,2/,3/,4/1564th Artillery Regiment (later 219th Art. Rgt)
1564th Division Service Units (later 219th Division Svc. Units)

On 9/15/44 it was redesignated the 183rd Volks Grenadier Division and sent to the West. On 8/5/44 it took the place of the 183rd Infantry Division when the Corps Detachment C was destroyed by Brody.

565th Volks Grenadier Division: Formed on 8/26/44 as part of the 32nd Wave from the Mähren Shadow Division. It had

1/,2/1153rd Grenadier Regiment (later 353nd Gren Rgt)
1/,2/1154th Grenadier Regiment (later 404th Gren Rgt)
1/,2/1155th Grenadier Regiment (later 689th Gren Rgt)
1/,2/,3/,4/1565th Artillery Regiment (later 246th Art Rgt)
1565th Division Service Units (later 246th Div Svc Units)

On 9/15/44 it became the 246th Volks Grenadier Division and on 9/26/44 was sent to the west. In late September or early October it replaced the 246th Infantry Division, which was destroyed in June and disbanded on 8/3/44.

566th Volks Grenadier Division: Formed on 8/26/44 as part of the 32nd Wave from the Röhn Shadow Division. It had

1/,2/1156th Grenadier Regiment (later 957th Gren Rgt)
1/,2/1157th Grenadier Regiment (later 958th Gren Rgt)
1/,2/1158th Grenadier Regiment (later 959th Gren Rgt)
1/,2/,3/,4/1566th Artillery Regiment (later 363rd Art Rgt)
1566th Division Service Units (later 363rd Div Svc Units)

On 9/17/44 the division was redesignated the 363rd Volks Grenadier and on 9/28/44 it was sent to the West. It them replaced the 363rd Infantry Division which had been destroyed in Normandy.

567th Volks Grenadier Division: Formed on 8/25/44 as part of the 32nd Wave from the Mähren Shadow Division. It had

1/,2/1156th Grenadier Regiment (later 911th Gren Rgt)
1/,2/1157th Grenadier Regiment (later 912th Gren Rgt)
1/,2/1158th Grenadier Regiment (later 913th Gren Rgt)
1/,2/,3/,4/1565th Artillery Regiment (later 349th Art Rgt)
1566th Division Service Units (later 349th Div Svc Units)

On 9/2/44 it was reorganized and directed to replace the 349th Infantry Regiment and became the 349th Volks Grenadier Division.

 $\frac{568 \text{th}}{32 \text{nd}} \frac{\text{Volks Grenadier}}{\text{Mave, it had:}}$ Formed on $\frac{8}{25}$

1/,2/1162nd Grenadier Regiment (became 456th the Gren Rgt)
1/,2/1163rd Grenadier Regiment (became 476th Gren Rgt)
1/,2/1164th Grenadier Regiment (became 481st Gren Rgt)
1/,2/,3/,4/1568th Artillery Regiment (became 256th Art Rgt)
1568th Division Service Units (became 256th Div. Svc. Units)

On 9/17/44 it was redesignated the 256th Volks Grenadier Division and then it took the place of the 256th Infantry Division that had been destroyed earlier.

569th Volks Grenadier Division: Formed on 8/25/44 as part of the 32nd Wave, it had:

1/,2/1165th Grenadier Regiment (became 951st Gren Rgt)
1/,2/1166th Grenadier Regiment (became 952nd th Gren Rgt)
1/,2/1167th Grenadier Regiment (became 953rd th Gren Rgt)
1/,2/,3/,4/1569th Artillery Regiment (became 361st Art Rgt)
1569th Division Service Units (became 361st Div. Svc. Units)

On 9/17/44 it became the 361st Volks Grenadier Division and on 8/5/44 it was redesignated to replace the destroyed 361st Infantry Division.

570th Volks Grenadier Division: Formed on 8/26/44 as part of the 32nd Wave, it had:

1/,2/1168th Grenadier Regiment (became 313th Gren Rgt)
1/,2/1169th Grenadier Regiment (became 688th Gren Rgt)
1/,2/1170th Grenadier Regiment (became 690th Gren Rgt)
1/,2/,3/,4/1570th Artillery Regiment (became 337th Art Rgt)
1570th Division Service Units (became 337th Div. Svc. Units)

On 9/15/44 the division became the 337th Volks Grenadier Division and its units were renumbered.

571st Volks Grenadier Division: Formed on 8/25/44 as part of the 32nd Wave, it had:

1/,2/1171st Grenadier Regiment (became 293rd Gren Rgt)
1/,2/1172nd Grenadier Regiment (became 294th Gren Rgt)
1/,2/1173rd Grenadier Regiment (became 295th Gren Rgt)
1/,2/,3/,4/1571st Artillery Regiment (became 1818th Art Rgt)
1571st Division Service Units (became 1818th Div. Svc. Units)

On 9/2/44 the division became the 18th Volks Grenadier Division and its units were renumbered.

572nd Volks Grenadier Division: Formed on 8/25/44 as part of the 32nd Wave, it had:

1/,2/1174th Grenadier Regiment (became 694th Gren Rgt) 1/,2/1175th Grenadier Regiment (became 695th Gren Rgt) 1/,2/1176th Grenadier Regiment (became 696th Gren Rgt) 1/,2/,3/,4/1572nd Artillery Regiment (became 340th Art Rgt) 1572nd Division Service Units (became 340th Div. Svc. Units)

On 9/15/44 the division became the 340th Volks Grenadier Division and its units were renumbered.

573rd Volks Grenadier Division: Formed on 8/25/44 as part of the 32nd Wave, it had:

1/,2/1177th Grenadier Regiment (became 728th Gren Rgt) 1/,2/1178th Grenadier Regiment (became 748th Gren Rgt) 1/,2/1179th Grenadier Regiment (became 760th Gren Rgt) 1/,2/,3/,4/1573rd Artillery Regiment (became 658th Art Rgt) 1573rd Division Service Units (became 658th Div. Svc. Units) On 9/15/44 the division became the 708th Volks Grenadier Division and its units were renumbered.

574th Volks Grenadier Division: Formed on 8/25/44 as part of the 32nd Wave, with new drafts and the remains of the 277th Infantry Division. It had:

1/,2/1180th Grenadier Regiment (became 989th Gren Rgt)
1/,2/1181st Grenadier Regiment (became 990th Gren Rgt)
1/,2/1182nd Grenadier Regiment (became 91st Gren Rgt)
1/,2/,3/,4/1574th Artillery Regiment (became 277th Art Rgt)
1574th Division Service Units (became 277th Div. Svc. Units)

The division was soon redesignated the 277th Volks Grenadier Division and its units were renumbered.

575th Volks Grenadier Division: Formed on 8/25/44 as part of the 32nd Wave, it had :

1/,2/1183rd Grenadier Regiment (became 980th Gren Rgt)
1/,2/1184th Grenadier Regiment (became 981st Gren Rgt)
1/,2/1185th Grenadier Regiment (became 982nd Gren Rgt)
1/,2/,3/,4/1575th Artillery Regiment (became 272nd Art Rgt)
1575th Division Service Units (became 272nd Div. Svc. Units)

On 9/17/44 the division soon redesignated the 272nd Volks Grenadier Division and its units were renumbered. It was later redesignated the 272nd Infantry Division to replace the existing division that had been destroyed in France.

 $576 {\rm th}$ Volks Grenadier Division: Formed on 8/25/44 as part of the 32nd Wave, with the survivors of the old 271st Infantry Division. It had :

1/,2/1186th Grenadier Regiment (became 977th Gren Rgt)
1/,2/1187th Grenadier Regiment (became 978th Gren Rgt)
1/,2/1188th Grenadier Regiment (became 979th Gren Rgt)
1/,2/,3/,4/1576th Artillery Regiment (became 271st Art Rgt)
1576th Division Service Units (became 271st Div. Svc. Units)

On 9/17/44 the division soon redesignated the 271st Volks Grenadier Division and its units were renumbered.

577th Volks Grenadier Division: Formed on 8/25/44 as part of the 32nd Wave, it had :

1/,2/1189th Grenadier Regiment (became 103rd Gren Rgt)
1/,2/1190th Grenadier Regiment (became 104th Gren Rgt)
1/,2/1191st Grenadier Regiment (became 115th Gren Rgt)
1/,2/,3/,4/1577th Artillery Regiment (became 147th Art Rgt)
1577th Division Service Units (became 147th Div. Svc. Units)

On 9/17/44 the division soon redesignated the 47th Volks Grenadier Division and its units were renumbered. It then replaced the 47th Infantry Division (formerly the 156th Reserve Division), which had been destroyed.

578th Volks Grenadier Division: Formed on 8/25/44 as part of the 32nd Wave, with the survivors of the destroyed 212th Infantry Division. It had :

1/,2/1192nd Grenadier Regiment (became 316th Gren Rgt) 1/,2/1193rd Grenadier Regiment (became 320th Gren Rgt) 1/,2/1194th Grenadier Regiment (became 423rd Gren Rgt) 1/,2/,3/,4/1578th Artillery Regiment (became 212th Art Rgt) 1578th Division Service Units (became 212th Div. Svc. Units)

On 9/17/44 the division soon redesignated the 212th Volks Grenadier Division and its units were renumbered.

 $\frac{579\text{th}}{32\text{nd}}$ Wolks Grenadier Division: Formed on 8/25/44 as part of the 32nd Wave, with the survivors of the destroyed 326th Infantry Division. On 11/10/44 it had :

1/,2/1195th Grenadier Regiment (became 751st Gren Rgt) 1/,2/1196th Grenadier Regiment (became 752nd Gren Rgt) 1/,2/1197th Grenadier Regiment (became 753rd Gren Rgt) 1/,2/,3/,4/1579th Artillery Regiment (became 326th Art Rgt) 1579th Division Service Units (became 326th Div. Svc. Units)

On 9/17/44 the division soon redesignated the 326th Volks Grenadier Division and its units were renumbered.

 $\underline{580 \text{th}}$ Volks Grenadier Division: Formed on 8/25/44 as part of the 32nd Wave, with the survivors of the destroyed 276th Infantry Division. On 11/10/44 it had :

1/,2/1198th Grenadier Regiment (became 986th Gren Rgt) 1/,2/1199th Grenadier Regiment (became 987th Gren Rgt) 1/,2/1200th Grenadier Regiment (became 988th Gren Rgt) 1/,2/,3/,4/1580th Artillery Regiment (became 276th Art Rgt) 1580th Division Service Units (became 276th Div. Svc. Units)

On 9/4/44 the division soon redesignated the 276th Volks Grenadier Division and its units were renumbered.

581st Volks Grenadier Division: Formed on 8/26/44 as part of the 32nd Wave, it had :

1/,2/1203rd Grenadier Regiment (became 914th Gren Rgt) 1/,2/1204th Grenadier Regiment (became 915th Gren Rgt) 1/,2/1205th Grenadier Regiment (became 916th Gren Rgt) 1/,2/,3/,4/1581st Artillery Regiment (became 352nd Art Rgt) 1581st Division Service Units (became 352nd Div. Svc. Units)

On 9/21/44 the division soon redesignated the 352nd Volks Grenadier Division to replace the destroyed 352nd Infantry Division and its units were renumbered.

582nd Volks Grenadier Division: Formed on 8/25/44 as part of the 32nd Wave, it had :

1/,2/1206th Grenadier Regiment (became 39th Fusilier Rgt)
1/,2/1207th Grenadier Regiment (became 77th Gren Rgt)
1/,2/1208th Grenadier Regiment (became 8th Gren Rgt)
1/,2/,3/,4/1582nd Artillery Regiment (became 26th Art Rgt)
1582nd Division Service Units (became 26th Div. Svc. Units)

On 9/17/44 the division soon redesignated the 26th Volks Grenadier Division to replace the destroyed 26th Infantry Division and its units were renumbered.

583rd Volks Grenadier Division: Formed on September 1944 as part of the 32nd Wave. On 9/22/44 it was redesignated the 62nd Volks Grenadier division with the:

1/,2/164th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/183rd Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/190th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/,3/,4/162nd Artillery Regiment 162nd Division Service Units

584th Volks Grenadier Division "Dennewitz": Formed in early September 1944 in Denmark as part of the 32nd Wave, it was also known the Dennewitz Shadow Division. ON 10/13/44 it became the 9th Volks Grenadier Division (36th, 57th & 116th Grenadier Regiments & 9th Artillery Regiment and Division Service Units). It then took the place of the 9th Infantry Division, which had been destroyed in the Ukraine.

585th Volks Grenadier Division "Niedergörsdorf": Formed on 9/2/44 as part of the 32nd wave, it was to replace the 17th Field Division (L), which had been destroyed in France. In October 1944 it became the 167th Volks Grenadier division (331st, 339th, 387th Grenadier Regiments & 167th Artillery Regiment and Division Service Units). It was sent to southern Russia in February 1945 to replace the recently destroyed 167th Infantry Division.

586th Volks Grenadier Division "Katzbach": Formed in early September 1944, it became the Katzbach Shadow Division on 9/28/44. On 10/27/44 it became the 79th Volks Grenadier Division (208th, 212th, & 226th Grenadier Regiments & 179th Artillery Regiment and Division Service Units). It then took the place of the 79th Infantry Division.

587th Volks Grenadier Division "Gross-Görschen": Formed in early September 1944, it became the Gross-Görschen Shadow Division on 9/28/44. On 10/13/44 it became the 257th Volks Grenadier Division to replace the 257th Infantry Division, which had been destroyed in Bessarabia.

588th Volks Grenadier Division "Möckern": Formed in early September 1944 as part of the 32nd Wave, on 9/28/44 it became the Möckern Shadow Division. ON 10/27/44 it was renamed the 320th Volks Grenadier Division (585th, 586th, 587th Grenadier Regiments, 320th Artillery Regiment and Division Service Units). It then took the place of the 320th Infantry Division, which had been destroyed in Bessarabia.

589th to 599th Divisions: Not formed.

599th Russian Brigade: Formed in April 1945 in Aalborg, Denmark, as part of the Liberation Russian Army under Vlassov. It contained:

1/,2/,3/1604th Grenadier Regiment (from 714th (Russian) Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/,3/1605th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/,3/1606th Grenadier Regiment

600th (Russian) Infantry Division: Formed on 12/1/44 as part of the Russian Liberation Army under Vlassov with what was to have become the 29th Waffen Grenadier Division of the SS (1st Russian). ON 2/28/45 it contained:

1/,2/1601st Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/1602nd Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/1603rd Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/,3/,4/1600th Artillery Regiment 1600th Division (Einheiten) Service Units

601st Division z.b.V: Formed on 10/14/44 by Army Group A. It was to control various army troops and, in January 1945 contained 11th Fortress Regimental Staff z.b.V., 1017th Security Battalion, Grunewald Border Guard Battalion Krakau Police Watch Battalion, and the 209th Schutzmannschafts Battalion. It was lost in April 1945.

<u>602nd</u> Division z.b.V.: Formed on 10/14/44 by Army Group A. It oversaw various army troops and in January 1945 contained the 65th Landesschützen Regimental staff, 2/25th SS Police Regiment, 207/XVII and 207/XII Landwehr Construction Battalions. It was lost in April 1945.

<u>603rd</u> Division z.b.V.: Formed on 10/14/44 by Army Group A to control various Army troops. In January 1945 it contained the 62nd Fortress Machine Gun Battalion, 1st (mot) SS Gendarme Battalion, Mehl Border Guard Battalion and 115/XXI Landwehr Construction Battalion.

604th Division z.b.V: Formed on 11/4/44 in reaction to the British air assault on Arnheim. In February 1945 it was sent to the Vistula Army Group in Pommerania and commanded the Tettau Army Group. It appears to have been destroyed in February 1945.

 $\frac{605\text{th}}{\text{tress}}$ $\frac{\text{Division}}{\text{command}}$ $\frac{\text{z.b.V.}}{\text{s}}$: Formed on $\frac{11}{7}$ 44 by renaming the Lötzen Fortress Command as a staff and assigning various army troops to it. It was disbanded in march 1945.

606th Division z.b.V: formed on 11/7/44 in Holland from the staff, signals battalion, and support troops of the 344th Infantry Division and had various army troops assigned to it. The 606th Signals Battalion and the 606th Supply Troops remained with the 180th Infantry Division on the lower Rhine when, in February, the division staff was sent to the Oder River region. Here it was assigned control of the 3rd Panzer Ersatz und Ausbildungs Battalion, the Potsdam, Spandau and Brandenburg Alarm Battalions, and the Bremen Police Battalion. On 11 April the division z.b.V. was converted into the 606th Infantry Division within the framework of the 541st Volks Grenadier Division. The division was assigned, as divisional troops, the 606th Pioneer Battalion, 1606th Panzerjäger Company, 1606th Signals Company, and 1606th Supply Regiment. The division vanished in April 1945.

607th Division z.b.V.: Formed on 11/13/44 by Army Group Center from the Maeder Staff, 1607th Signal Company, and a variety of army troops. In February 1945 it was established as the Fortress Command Pillau.

608th Division z.b.V: Formed on 11/22/44 by Army group A from the survivors of the 82nd Division, destroyed in the Hube Pocket in northern Ukraine, with an artillery staff, the 608th Signals Company and 608th Supply Troops. On 7 February 1945 it was assigned to the 9th Army on the Oder and contained the 100th Brigade Staff (Berger), Peter and Hellbach Regimental Staffs, 1st Police Regiment (later 89th SS Regiment), and the Krause Police Regiment (formerly 6th SS (mot) Gendarme Battalion), as well as 3 alarm and 6 volkssturm battalions. It was last know to contain the 83rd, 92nd and 95th Grenadier (Alarm) Regiments.

609th Division z.b.V: Formed on 1/26/45 with the 1609th Signals Company and other forces. It served in Breslau with the garrison.

 $\underline{610th}$ <u>Division</u> <u>z.b.V.</u>: Formed on 1/26/45 in the IX Wehrkries with the 1610th Signals Company and other staff elements to command various army troops and alarm units.

 $\frac{611 \text{th}}{1611 \text{th}} \frac{\text{Division}}{\text{Signals}} \frac{\text{z.b.V.}}{\text{Company}}$ Formed on 1/26/45 in the III Wehrkreis with the used to form the staff of the Döberitz Division (303).

 $\underline{612th}$ <u>Division</u> <u>z.b.V.</u>: Formed on 1/26/45 in Wehrkreis X with the 1612th Signals Company for the command of Alarm units. IN February 1945 it was absorbed by the Oder General Command.

<u>613th</u> Division z.b.V.: Formed on 1/30/45 by the 20th Mountain Army as the commander of Petsamo for the direction of Army Troops. These troops included the 193rd and 503rd Grenadier Brigades.

<u>6514th</u> Division z.b.V.: Formed on 1/20/45 in Denmark as the tactical and territorial commanding staff. On 2/14/45 it was renamed the Nordjütland Divisional Staff. It was directed, by the order of 3/9/45, to be converted into the 324th "Jütland" Division.

<u>615th</u> <u>Division</u> <u>z.b.V.</u>: Formed on 2/4/45 from the 611th Divisional Staff z.b.V. to direct army troops and alarm units.

<u>616th</u> <u>Division</u> <u>z.b.V</u>: Formed in April 1945 from the Rässler Division to direct army troops around Landau.

<u>617th</u> <u>Division</u> <u>z.b.V.</u>: Formed in April 1945 on the Dutch coast to command army troops.

618th Division z.b.V.: Formed in April 1945 in the Ruhr Pocket from the staff to the disbanded Hamburg (324th) Infantry Division. The staff never survived the battle and was destroyed along with the pocket.

<u>619th</u> <u>Division</u> <u>z.b.V.</u>: Formed in April 1945 in Samoland from the staff of the disbanded 286th Infantry Division.

620th to 649th Divisions: Not formed:

<u>650th (Russian)</u> <u>Division</u>: Formed in March 1945 as part of Vlassov's Russian Liberation Army. The division was organized with prisoners of war and contained, on 4/5/45:

1/,2/1651st Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/1652nd Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/1653rd Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/,3/,4/1650th Artillery Regiment 1650th Divisional Support Units

The division was not fully formed and remained in Münsingen until overrun.

651st through 701st Divisions: Not formed.

702nd Infantry Division: Formed on 4/16/41 as Occupation Division in the 15th Wave and contained:

1/,2/,3/722nd Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/742nd Infantry Regiment 662nd Artillery Battalion (3 btrys) 702nd Pioneer Company 702nd Signals Company 702nd Division (Einheiten) Service Units

While in Drontheim it assumed command of the 654th Fortress Battalion (Coastal Artillery) IN April 1945 it became a field division and contained:

1/,2/722nd Grenadier Division 1/,2/742nd Grenadier Division 1/,2/772nd Grenadier Division 702nd Fusilier Battalion 702nd Panzerjäger Battalion 702nd Pioneer Battalion 702nd Signals Battalion 702nd Divisional Support Units.

It was captured by the English in Norway.

 $\frac{703 \text{ rd}}{\text{tress}}$ <u>Division</u>: Formed on 3/22/45 with troops in the Ijmuiden Fortress and contained:

Staff/703rd Infantry Division (from Ijmuiden Fortress Command)
219th Grenadier Regiment (from Zaandvoort Detachment)

495th Grenadier Regiment (from Katwijk Detachment - 787th Turkish Battalion) 579th Grenadier Regiment (24th Ship's "Stamm" Battalion") 703rd Fusilier Battalion (det/10th Ship's "Stamm" Battalion") 973rd Panzerjäger Battalion 1973rd Divisional (Einheiten) Service Units

704th Division: Formed as part of the 15th Wave with:

1/,2/,3/724th Infantry Regiment
1/,2/,3/734th Infantry Regiment
654th Artillery Battalion (3 btrys)

On 2/15/43 the division was ordered to exchange its young men for the older men of the IV< VI, VIII and IX Wehrkreis. It was absorbed into the 104th Jäger Division on 4/1/43. The grenadier regiments became Jäger Regiments. The artillery was increased to a regiment and the 704th Bicycle Squadron, 704th Pioneer Company and 704th Signals Companies were reorganized into battalions numbered 104th.

705th-706th Divisions: Not formed.

<u>707th</u> Division: Formed on 5/2/41 as a occupation division as part of the 15th Wave. IT contained:

1/,2/,3/727th Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/747th Infantry Regiment 657th Artillery Battalion (3 Btrys) 707th Pioneer Company 707th Signals Company 707th Division (Einheiten) Service Units

In June 1944 the division was destroyed by Bobruisk and on 8/3/44 it was formally disbanded.

708th Infantry Division: Formed on 5/2/41 as a occupation division as part of the 15th Wave, the division contained:

1/,2/,3/728th Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/748th Infantry Regiment 658th Artillery Battalion (3 Btrys) 708th Panzerjäger Company 708th Pioneer Company 708th Signals Company 708th Division (Einheiten) Service Units

On 4/15/42 the division formed machine gun companies in its regiments, but on 10/26/42 the entire division was reformed into a coastal defense occupation division. The 2/728th Grenadier Regiment went to northern Russia on 10/25/43 and there became the 386th Grenadier Regiment, part of 218th ID). On 4/19/44 the division built a new third regiment from the 622nd and 623rd Cossack Battalions and formed the 360th (Cossack) Fortress Grenadier. On 5/21/43 the 658th Artillery Battalion became a full regiment and on 12/78/43 it was designated as the 708th Artillery Regiment. On 1/19/44 it was renamed the 1708th Artillery Regiment. In 1944 a divisional fusilier battalion was formed from the 2/748th Grenadier Regiment and the division had:

1/,3/728th Grenadier Regiment 1/,3/748th Grenadier Regiment 1/,3/360th (Cossack) Grenadier Regiment 708th Divisional Fusilier Battalion 1/,2/,3(?)/1708th Artillery Regiment 708th Divisional (Einheiten) Service Units

It was destroyed in Western France near Le Mans-Laval in 1944.

708th Volks Grenadier Division: The division was reformed on 9/4/44 in Slovakia by redesignating the 573rd Volks Grenadier Division (32nd Wave) and incorporating into it the survivors of the original division. The 360th (Cossack) Grenadier Regiment was replaced by the 760th Grenadier Regiment. The division had:

1/,2/728th Grenadier Regiment (from 1177th GR) 1/,2/748th Grenadier Regiment (from 1178th GR) 1/,2/760th Grenadier Regiment (from 1179th GR) 708th Divisional Fusilier Battalion 1/,2/,3/,4/658th Artillery Regiment (from 1573rd AR) 708th Divisional (Einheiten) Service Units (from 1573rd Divisional Service Units)

On 1 December 1944 the division contained:

1/,2/728th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/748th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/760th Grenadier Regiment 708th (bicycle) Divisional Fusilier Company 1/,2/,3/,4/658th Artillery Regiment 708th (bicycle) Pioneer Battalion 708th Signals Battalion 708th Feldersatz Battalion 708th Panzerjäger Battalion 1 (mot) Panzerjäger Battery 1 Assault Gun Battery 708th Divisional (Einheiten) Service Units

On 21 January 1945 the division absorbed:

3/V Battery 15/IX Battery 1/XIII Battery Remains 8/X Fortress Anti-Tank Company Remains 11/X Fortress Anti-Tank Company Remains G/V Grendier Regiment. Remains, Alarm Battalion, 61st Replacement & Training Battalion Remains, Alarm Battalion, 380th Replacement & Training Battalion Remains, Alarm Battalion, 460th Replacement & Training Battalion Remains, Alarm Battalion, 470th Replacement & Training Battalion 341st Heavy Nebelwerfer Company On 3 February 1945 the division was destroyed in the Colmar Bridgehead destroyed and disbanded. Its remains were incorporated into other units.

<u>709th Infantry</u> <u>Division</u>: formed on 5/2/41 as an occupation division in the 15th Wave from replacement units. It contained:

1/,2/,3/729th Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/739th Infantry Regiment 669th Artillery Battalion (3 btrys) 709th Division (Einheiten) Service Units

On 6/9/41 the infantry regiments formed machine gun companies. On 11/26/42 those companies were unformed as the regiments were converted into Fortress Grenadier Regiments. In October 1943 the 1/739th GR was sent to Russia and was replaced on 4/19/44 by the 797th Georgian Battalion. The 649th Ost Battalion became the 4/729th GR and the 795th Georgian Battalion became the 4/739th GR. ON 10/6/43 the 919th Grenadier Regiment was newly formed form the 242th Infantry Division. On 7/1/43 the artillery battalion was formed into a full regiment with two battalions, however it detached the 2nd battalion and received, in its place, the 2/242nd Artillery Regiment. On 12/19/43 the artillery regiment was redesignated the 1709th Artillery Regiment. In 1944 the division had:

1/,2/,3/,4(Ost)/729th (Fortress) Grenadier Regiment 1(Ost)/,2/,3/,4(Ost)/739th (Fortress) Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/,3/1709th Artillery Regiment 709th Division (Einheiten) Service Units

The division was destroyed on the Cotentin Island and on 6/30/44 the remainder was lost with Cherbourg. It was formally disbanded on 7/26/44.

710th Infantry Division: formed on 5/2/41 as an occupation division as part of the 15th Wave. It contained:

1/,2/,3/730th Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/740th Infantry Regiment 650th Artillery Battalion (3 btrys) 710th Division (Einheiten) Service Units

On 7/1/43 the division detached the 2/730th to form the 1/862nd GR of the 274th Division. It was replaced. In July 1944 the artillery battalion became a regiment with the formation of a second battalion and in December it formed a regimental staff, 3rd and 4th Battalions In March 1945 it formed a Panzerjäger Battalion. The formation of a third infantry regiment was not completed and the division was captured by the Americans near Steyr.

 $\frac{711\text{th}}{(15\text{th Wave})}$ with ersatz units. It contained:

1/,2/,3/731st Infantry Regiment
1/,2/,3/744th Infantry Regiment

651st Artillery Battalion (3 btrys)
711th Pioneer Company
711th Signals Company
711th Division (Einheiten) Service Units

In October 1943 the division detached the 1/731st to the East, where on 1/31/44 it became the 1/226th GR, 79th ID. In its place it received the 781st Turkish Battalion and the 1/731st GR was replaced by the 781st North Caucasian Battalion. On 6/16/43 the 651st Artillery Battalion became a regiment and on 1/25/44 it was renamed the 1711th Artillery Regiment. It suffered heavy losses in Normandy and was withdrawn to Holland where it was rebuilt in September/December 1944. AT that time it contained:

1/,3/731st Grenadier Regiment 1/,3/744th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/763rd Regiment 1711th Divisional Fusilier Battalion 1/,2/,3/1177th Artillery Regiment 711th Panzerjäger Battalion 711th Pioneer Battalion 711th Signals Battalion 711th Divisional (Einheiten) Service Units

In December the division was moved to Hungary, where it was captured by the Russians.

712th Infantry Division: Formed on 5/5/41 as an occupation division (15th Wave) with ersatz units. It contained:

1/,2/,3/732nd Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/745th Infantry Regiment 652nd Artillery Battalion (3 btrys) 712th Pioneer Company 712th Signals Company 712th Division (Einheiten) Service Units

On 8/1/43 the 652nd Artillery Battalion became a full regiment. On 12/12/43 it became the 712th AR, and on 1/31/44 it became the 1712th Artillery Regiment. On 1/25/44 the 1/745th GR became the divisions fusilier battalion and replaced by the 628th Ost Battalion.

The division was sent to Walachern, where it was badly damaged. It received the 14th and 29th Fortress Machine Gun Battalions and the 1/164th Artillery Regiment (164th ID) to rebuild itself. It was reorganized with three grenadier regiments and the third regiment was numbered the 764th. The division was sent to the east and fought in the Vistula battles. The 732nd GR, the 712nd Fusilier Battalion and the 1712nd Grenadier Regiments remained with Army Group Center in Silesia and were incorporated into the 68th and 45th Infantry Divisions. The division was reformed by Küstrin using the regiments of the Kurmark Panzer Grenadier division. The division then had:

1/,2/732nd Grenadier Regiment (from 1239th (Führernachwuchs-)
Grenadier Regiment)

1/,2/745th Grenadier Regiment (1241st (Führernachwuchs-) Grenadier Regiment) 1/,2/764th Grenadier Regiment (from B Regt, Hannover Shadow Division) 4/1712nd Artillery Regiment (forming in Bohemia)

The division was destroyed in the Buchholz-Halbe pocket and the survivors went into Russian captivity.

 $\frac{713\text{th}}{(15\text{th Wave})}$ Marchine Terms on $\frac{5}{2}$ and $\frac{5}{2}$ and $\frac{1}{4}$ and $\frac{1}{4}$

1/,2/,3/733rd Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/746th Infantry Regiment 653rd Artillery Battalion (3 btrys) 713th Pioneer Company 713th Signals Company 713th Division (Einheiten) Service Units

The division was sent to Crete, where it was disbanded on 1/15/42. The staff formed the staff of the 1st Kreta Fortress Brigade, the 733rd IR was disbanded, the 746th IR became the 2/746th IR, 2/733rd IR, and 3/733rd IR. The 1/733rd, 1/746th and 3/746th were reorganized into the 834th, 833rd, and 832nd Landesschützen Battalions and the 653rd Artillery Battalion became the 4(Mountain)/220th Artillery Regiment.

 $\frac{714\text{th}}{(15\text{th} \text{Wave})}$ with ersatz units. It contained:

1/,2/,3/721st Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/741st Infantry Regiment 661st Artillery Battalion (3 btrys) 714th Pioneer Company 714th Signals Company 714th Division (Einheiten) Service Units

On 4/1/43 the division transferred its older men to the Wehrkreis in exchange for their younger men and then was reorganized into the 114th Jäger Division. The infantry became jäger regiments, the 661st Artillery Battalion was formed into a full regiment and the pioneers and signals were formed into 114th Pioneer and Signal Battalions respectively. In addition, the 114th Panzerjäger Battalion and 114th Bicycle Battalion were formed.

715th Infantry Division: Formed on 5/8/41 as an occupation division (15th Wave) with ersatz units. It contained:

1/,2/,3/725th Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/735th Infantry Regiment 671st Artillery Battalion (3 btrys) 715th Pioneer Company 715th Signals Company 715th Division (Einheiten) Service Units On 5/22/44 the division was heavily damaged in the Anzio/Nettuno battles. On 6/27/44 it was rebuilt using the Wildflecken Shadow Division (26th Wave). The 1028th (mot) Grenadier Regiment was absorbed into the division. ON 2/26/45 the division was again rebuilt near Prague. On 2/26/45 the division was sent to the east where it was rebuilt again. It now had:

1/,2/725th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/735th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/774th Grenadier Regiment 715th Fusilier Battalion 1/,3/,4/671st Artillery Regiment 715th Divisional (Einheiten) Service Units

The division was taken prisoner by the Russians.

 $\frac{716 \text{ th}}{(15 \text{ th} \text{ Wave})}$ with ersatz units. It contained:

1/,2/,3/726th Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/736th Infantry Regiment 656th Artillery Battalion (3 btrys) 716th Pioneer Company 716th Signals Company 716th Division (Einheiten) Service Units

On 4/13/44 both regiments were assigned the 439th and 642nd Ost Battalions as 4th Battalions. On 5/26/43 the Artillery Battalion became the 1/656th Artillery Regiment and in January 1944 it became the 1716th Artillery Regiment. The division was rebuilt after Normandy and contained:

1/,2/706th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/726th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/736th Grenadier Regiment 716th Fusilier Battalion 1/,2/,3/,4/1716th Artillery Regiment 716th Division (Einheiten) Service Units

The bridge was again destroyed at the Colmar bridgehead. It was rebuilt by the order of 4/14/45 using training (ausbildungs) formations. On 3 November 1944 the division absorbed:

3rd Bn. C/V Grenadier Regiment 1417th Fortress Infantry Battalion 671st Security Battalion Remains/38th Jäger Battalion (from 189th Reserve Division) Remains/163rd Grenadier Battalion (from 189th Reserve Division) 39th Fortress Machine Gun Battalion 61st Fortress Machine Gun Battalion 2nd Btry/741st Flak Artillery Battlaion 1/44th Security Regiment 521st Reserve Infantry Pioneer Company 197th Flak Training Company Staff & 2nd Btry, 28th Artillery Battlaion 1009th Security Battalion 726th Security Battalion Remains/198th Security Battalion Remains/35th Infantry Support Gun Company (from 198th Reserve Division) 14th (Pioneer Company/194th Security Battalion Det/244th Pioneer Battlaion (from 244th Garrison ID) Remains/1182nd Army Artillery Battalion (heavy howitzers) Remains/1290th Army Coast Artillery Regioment Remains/1291st Army Coast Artillery Regioment Remains/52nd Infantry Pioneer Copmany (189th Reserve ID) 2nd Co./71st Avaitior Regiment (Wahl Battlaion) Bauer Grenadier Regiment (from Division No. 405) Schmidt Battalion Jäckel Battalion

On 6 November 1944 the division had:

1/,2/726th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/736th Grenadier Regiment 716th Fusilier Battalion 1/,2/,3/,4/1716th Artillery Regiment 716th Signals Battalion 716th Engineer Battalion 716th Feldersatz Battalion 716th (mot) Panzerjäger Battalion 1 (mot) Panzerjäger Battery 1 Self Propelled Flak Battery 934th Ost Battalion (detached by 12/1/44) 716th Military Police Detachment 716th Division (Einheiten) Service Units

On 1/21/45 the division received reinforcements in the form of a number of existing units that were absorbed. Those units were:

1st Bn, C/V Grenadier Regiment Remains, 1417th Infantry Battalion Remains, 39th Fortress Machine Gun Battalion Remains, 671st Security Battalion Remains, Staff/28th Grenadier Regiment Merker Security Battlaion Baumgartner Alarm Regiment, formed from 14th Infantry Signals Replacement & Training Battalion 467th Infantry Replacement Regiment 14th Grenadier Replacement & Training Battalion 335th Grenadier Replacement & Training Battalion 179th Grenadier Replacement & Training Battalion 5th Grenadier Replacement & Training Regiment 56th Jäger Ersatz Battalion 34th Fusilier Replacement & Training Regiment III E/V 111th Alarm Battalion 1/VII Pioneer Company G/V Bicycle Company

Remains/1000th (mot) Reconnaissance Battalion

It was then taken prisoner by the Americans near Kempten.

717th Infantry Division: Formed on 4/11/41 as an occupation division (15th Wave) with ersatz units. It contained:

1/,2/,3/737th Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/749th Infantry Regiment 670th Artillery Battalion (3 btrys) 717th Pioneer Company 717th Signals Company 717th Division (Einheiten) Service Units

The division replaced its older men on 4/1/43 with the various Wehrkreis and was converted into the 117th Jäger Division. The grenadier regiments became jäger regiments, the artillery was expanded to a full regiment, and the various pioneer, signals, etc., companies became full battalions.

 $\frac{718 \text{ th}}{(15 \text{ th} \text{ Wave})}$ with ersatz units. It contained:

1/,2/,3/738th Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/750th Infantry Regiment 668th Artillery Battalion (3 btrys) 718th Pioneer Company 718th Bicycle Company 718th Signals Company 718th Division (Einheiten) Service Units

The order of 2/15/43 cycled out the old men and replaced them with younger men as well as reorganized the division as a jäger division. The grenadiers became jägers, the artillery expanded to a full regiment, and the pioneer, etc., companies became full battalions.

719th Infantry Division: Formed on 5/3/41 as an occupation division (15th Wave) with ersatz units. It contained:

1/,2/,3/723rd Infantry Regiment 1/,2/,3/743rd Infantry Regiment 633rd Artillery Battalion (3 btrys) 719th Pioneer Company 719th Signals Company 719th Division (Einheiten) Service Units

On 6/4/43 the division was expanded into a full regiment and in December 1943 it became the 1719th Artillery Regiment. The two 723rd and 743rd Fortress Grenadier Regiments formed 4th Battalions from the 826th Volga Battalion and the 812th Armenian Battalion. Those two battalions, however, remained in Holland when the division moved to the Saarpfalz. On 1 December 1944 the division had:

1/,2/723rd Grenadier Regiment
1/,2/743rd Grenadier Regiment

1/,2/766th Grenadier Regiment
719th Fusilier Battalion
1/,2/,3/1719th Artillery Regiment
719th Pioneer Battalion
719th Signals Battalion
719th Feldersatz Battalion
719th Division (Einheiten) Service Units

On 4 March 1945 it contained:

1/,2/723rd Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/743rd Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/766th Grenadier Regiment 719th Fusilier Battalion 1/,2/,3/1719th Artillery Regiment 719th Pioneer Battalion 719th (mot) Panzerjäger Battalion 719th Signals Battalion 719th Military Police Detachment 719th Division (Einheiten) Service Units

The division was destroyed in March 1945 and rebuilt using border guards, landesschützen, fortress artillery battalions, and the 405th Fusilier Battalion. The division was captured by the Americans.

720th to 804th Divisions: Not formed.

<u>805th</u> <u>Division</u>: Formed on 1/7/45 in the V Wehrkreis by renaming the Breisach Divisional Group and with the addition of the 805th Signals Company and supporting troops. On 3/22/45 the division contained:

3rd Volunteer Cadre Regiment (training, recruit and grenadier Bns) 5th Upper Rhine Regiment (with Baden XI, XII & XX Volkssturm Battalions Staff/1212th Grenadier Regiment Staff/1089th Artillery Regiment 1314th Fortress Artillery Battalion 1523rd Fortress Artillery Battalion 993rd Artillery Battalion 4/658th Artillery Regiment 1085th Mountain Artillery Battery 1089th Mountain Artillery Battery Staff/1089th Pioneer Battalion 6/V Pioneer Company Supply Troops

On 4/14/45 the division was converted to the 352nd Volks Grenadier Division and contained the 914th, 915th, and 916th Grenadier Regiments, 352nd Artillery Regiment and 352nd Division Service Units.

806th-900th Divisions: Not formed

<u>900th Lehr (mot)</u> Brigade: Formed on 6/17/41 by the Döbritz Infantry School. It contained:

1/,2/900th (mot) Infantry Regiment 900th Panzerjäger Battalion (3 Cos) 900th Artillery Battalion (4 btrys) 900th Pioneer Battalion (3 Cos) 900th Signals Battalion

On 4/7/42 the brigade was disbanded. The staff returned to the school and the troops were sent to newly forming schools.

901st - 904th Divisions: Not formed.

<u>905th</u> Division: Formed on 1/7/45 by the renaming of the Von Witzleben Division on the Upper Rhine as a staff with assigned troops. Tessin reports its troops consisted of the 95th Light SS Panzerjäger Company, 905th Light Artillery Battalion, and the 905th Pioneer Company. Microcopy No. T-411, Roll 146, shows it with:

> 1/,2/2nd Pol. Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/3rd Oberhesse Grenadier Regiment 1/Hus Battalion WKUL XIII Battalion IV Oberhesse Battalion 905th Panzerjäger Battalion 905th Pioneer Battalion 500th Signals Company 905th Military Police Detachment

It was destroyed in the Pfalz in March 1945.

906th-1005th Divisions: Not formed.

<u>1005th</u> Brigade: Formed on 1/7/45 on the Upper Rhine with a staff and assigned units. On 2/22/45 the brigade contained:

6th Upper Rhine Regiment (V Border Guard Battalion, XII (old) Baden and Wartburg Volkssturm Battalions, and a panzerjäger Company) 7th Upper Rhine Regiment (II/Upper Rhine Landwehr Brigade, Degginger Police Battalion, XIII Baden Volkssturm Battalion, and a panzerjäger company) Staff/726th Grenadier Regiment 1/,2/1134th Fortress Artillery Regiment 1510th Fortress Artillery Battalion 1516th Fortress Artillery Battalion 716th Pioneer Battalion (1 company) 1005th Divisional Signals Company 1005th Divisional Supply Regiment

On 4/8/45 the division was incorporated into the 89th Infantry Division as it was reformed (1055th, 1056th, and 1063rd Grenadier Regiments, 189th Artillery Regiment and divisional. It was lost in April 1945.

There were no other higher numbered, major infantry formations organ-

ized beyond the 1005th Brigade.

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