Internal Organization of Japanese Triangular Division

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<u>Division Headquarters</u>: (300 men)
     Support Units:
          Division Signals (250 men)
          Medical Unit (900 men)
          4 Field Hopsitals (250 men ea)
          Water Purification Unit (120 men)
          Ordnance Detachment (50 men)
          Veterinary Detachment (50 men)
     Cavalry Regiment (950 men)
          Headquarters (80 men)
          3 Rifle Companies (170 men ea)
               1 HQ Platoon
               1 Machine Gun Platoon
               3 Rifle Platoons
               (100 rifles, 9 LMGs, 2 HMGs, & 6 Grenade launchers)
          1 Machine Gun Company (160 men)
               1 HQ Platoon
               2 Heavy Machine Gun Platoons
               1 Anti-Tank Gun Platoon
               1 Ammunition Platoon
                (4 HMGs, 2 AT guns, 4 AT rifles)
          1 Train Detachment (200 men)
     Reconnaissance Regiment<sup>1</sup>
          Headquarters (30 men)
          1 Mounted Company (130 men)
               HQ Platoon
               4 Rifle Platoons
               (50 rifles & 6 LMGs)
          2 Motorized Companies (160 each)
               HO Platoon
               2 Rifle Platoons
               1 Heavy Machine Gun Platoon
               1 Anti-Tank Platoon
                (80 rifles, 6 LMGs, 8 grenade launchers, 2 HMGs,
                    2 AT guns)
          1 Armored Car Company (50 men)
          1 Tracked Company (100 men)
          1 Train Company (100 men)
     Infantry Group: (11,600 men)
          3 Infantry Regiments: (3,845 men each)
               Headquarters & Tarin (1,175 men)
               Signals (130 men)
               Gun Company (125 men, 4 guns)
               Artillery Battery (115 men, 6 guns)
               3 Infantry Battalions (1,100 men)
                    Headquartets & Train (150 men)
                     4 Companies (180 men ea)
                          HQ & 3 Platoons (9 LMGs, 9 grenade
                          launchers & 140 rifles)
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¹ The division had either a cavalry regiment or a reconnaissance regiment, but not both.

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Field Artillery Regiment (2,300 men)
     Headquarters (120 men)
     Regimental Train (140 men)
     3 Artillery Battalions
          HQ (80 men)
          3 Batteries (180 men, 4 75quns)
          Train Batalion (60 men)
Mountain Artillery Regiment:2
     Headquarters (150 men)
     Regimental Train (310 men)
     3 Battalions (980 men)
          HQ (100 men)
          3 Batteries (210 men, 4 75mm guns)
          1 Battalion Train (250 men)
Engineer Regiment (900 men)
     Headquarters (100 men)
     3 Companies (250 men ea)
     1 Matieral Platoon (50 men)
Transportation Regiment (1800 men)
     Headquarters (100 men)
     Draft Horse Unit
          4 Companies (350 men ea)<sup>3</sup>
          (250 1/4 ton carts, capacity 250 tons)
     Motor Unit
          2 Companies (150 men ea)
          (50 1.5 ton trucks, capacity 150 tons)
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Total Equipment

both.

9,000 rifles, 382 LMGs, 240 grenade launchers, 112 (76) HMGs, 18 20mm AT rifles or machine cannon, 22 37mm or 47 AT guns, 18 70mm Battalion guns, 12 75mm regimental guns, 36 75mm field guns or ountain guns and 7 arored cars or tankettes.

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³ The companies are interchangeable. Two pack companies equal one draft company, 2 truck companies equal 3 draft companies.