British Heavy AA Gun Defenses 21 August - 11 September 1940

HQ Anti-Aircraft Command, Standmore: Lt. General Sir F. Pile <u>1st AA Division</u>: Major General F.L.M.Crossman London – 92/107 guns¹ Langley - 28 Hounslow - 4 Stanmore - 4 2nd AA Division: Major General M.F.Grove-White Leighton Buzzard - 4 Norwich - 0/4Nottingham - 16 Derby - 40/8 Sheffield - 27 Scunthorpe - 24/24 Humber - 38/12 Mobile Battery - 8 Aerodromes - 22 3rd AA Division and Osdef Major Gneera. L.R.Hill Belfast - 7 Londonderry - 0/4 Clyde - 27/4 Ardeer - 8 Kyle of Lochalsh - 4 Aberdeen - 4 Scapa Flow - 88 Shetlands - 12 Aerodromes - 8 4th AA Division: Major General C.A.E.Cadell Barrow - 0/8 Liverpool - 56/2 Manchester - 20 Crewe - $16/-8^2$ Birmingham -71/-7Coventry - 32/-12Ringway Aerodrome - 4 5th AA Division: Major General R.H.Allen Milford Haven - 0/4Swansea - 16/8 Cardiff - 26 Newport - 16/4 Brockworth - 24 Bristol - 32 Falmouth - 12 Plymouth -46/-20

¹ First number is as of 21 August, second number is the additional guns added by 11 September, not the cumulative number of guns.

² The second figure preceeded by a - were guns that were withdrawn.

Yeovil - 4 Portland - 14 Holton Heath - 8 Southampton - 39/-8 Portsmouth - 44/-4 Bramley Aerodromes (including Brooklands) - 20 <u>6th</u> <u>AA</u> <u>Division</u>: Major General F.G.Hyland Dover - 18/-4 Thames & Medway South - 72 Thames and Medway North - 48 Harwich - 15/-7Aerodromes - 35/8 7th AA Division: Major General R.B.Pargiter Leeds - 20 Tees - 30 Tyne - 50 Mobile Guns - 4/-4Aerodromes - 14

The 1,279 heavy guns, were mainly 3.7", 4.5" and old 3" guns. In addition, there were approximately 700 light AA guns (2pdrs & Bofors 40mm) and just under 3,000 light machine guns and 20mm Hispano guns that were deployed, for the most part, to defend airfields, factories and other vital installations.

Hough, R., & Richard, D., <u>The Battle of Britain</u>, W.W.North & Co., New York, 1989. Copyright GFN 1991