

British Forces in North Africa
Operation Compass
1 November 1940 - February 1941

Commander-in-Chief, Middle East: General Sir Archibald Wavell

Western Desert Force (Later XIII Corps): Lieutenant General
R.N.O'Connor

Corps Troops:

- 7th Royal Tank Regiment (Matildas)
- 1st Royal Horse Artillery
- 104th Royal Horse Artillery
- 51st Field Artillery Regiment, RA
- 7th Medium Regiment, RA
- 64th Medium Regiment, RA

7th Armored Division: Major General M.O'Moore Creagh

- 4th Armored Brigade: Brigadier J.S.L.Caunter
 - 7th Hussars
 - 2nd Royal Tank Regiment
 - 6th Royal Tank Regiment

- 7th Armored Brigade: Brigadier H.E.Russell

- 3rd Hussars
 - 8th Hussars
 - 1st Royal Tank Regiment

- Support Group: Brigadier W.H.E.Gott

- 1st King's Royal Rifle Corps
 - 2nd Rifle Brigade
 - 1st Royal Horse Artillery
 - 4th Royal Horse Artillery

- Divisional Troops:

- 11th Hussars
 - 3rd Royal Horse Artillery
 - 106th Royal Horse Artillery
 - 2nd Field Squadron, Royal Engineers
 - 141st Field Park Troop, Royal Engineers
 - Nl. 2 R.A.F.Armored Car Company

- 4th Indian Division: Major General N.M.de la P. Beresford-Peirse
(withdrawn December 11, 1941)

- 5th Indian Infantry Brigade: Brigadier W.L.Lloyd

- 1st Royal Fusiliers
 - 3/1st Punjab Regiment
 - 4/6th Rajputana Rifles

- 11th Indian Infantry Brigade: Brigadier R.A.Savory

- 2nd Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders
 - 1/6th Rajputana Rifles
 - 4/7th Rajput Regiment

- Divisional Troops:

- Central India Horse
 - 1st Northumberland Fusiliers (Machine-gun Battalion)
 - 1st Field Regiment, RA
 - 25th Field Regiment, RA
 - 31st Field Regiment, RA

3rd Royal Horse Artillery
4th Field Company (Sappers and Miners)
12th Field Company (Sappers and Miners)
18th Field Company (Sappers and Miners)
21st Field Company (Sappers and Miners)
11th Field Park Company

16th British Infantry Brigade: Brigadier C.E.N.Lomax
(attached to 4th Indian Division until 11 December 1941)
1st Queen's Regiment
2nd Leicestershire Regiment
1st Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders

Selby Force: Brigadier A.R.Selby
3rd Coldstream Guards
W Company, 1st Northumberland Fusiliers
A Company, 1st South Srafforshire Regiment
A Company, 1st Cheshire REgiment
Detachment, 1st Durham Light Infantry
A Troop, 7th Hussars
Attached Artillery

6th Australian Division: Major General I.Mackay (joined operations
after departure of 4th Indian Division).

16th Australian Infantry Brigade: Brigadier A.S.Allen
2/1st Battalion
2/2nd Battalion
2/3rd Battalion

17th Australian Infantry Brigade: Brigadier S.G.Savidge
2/5th Battalion
2/6th Battalion
2/7th Battalion

19th Australian Infantry Brigade: Brigadier H.C.H.Robertson
2/4th Battalion
2/8th Battalion
2/11th Battalion

Divisional Troops:

6th Cavalry Regiment
2/1st Field Regiment, Royal Australian Artillery
2/2nd Field Regiment, Royal Australian Artillery
2/3rd Field Regiment, Royal Australian Artillery
2/1st Field Company, Royal Australian Engineers
2/2nd Field Company, Royal Australian Engineers
2/8th Field Company, Royal Australian Engineers

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