Organization of the German 5th Light (mot) Division February 1941

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Divisional HQ:
          3/30th (Mot) Signals Company
          (Mot) Radio Company
          200th (mot) Mapping Platoon
          200th Printing Detachment
5th Panzer Regiment:
          2 Light Panzer Platoons
          1 Armored Signal Platoon
     1st Battalion:
          1 Staff Panzer Company
          1 Light Panzer Platoon
          1 Medium Panzer Company
          2 Light Panzer Companies
          1 Light Panzer Supply Column
     2nd Battalion:
          1 Staff Panzer Company
          1 Light Panzer Platoon
          1 Medium Panzer Company
          2 Light Panzer Companies
          1 Light Panzer Supply Column
     Attached:
          1 (mot) Armored Maintenance Company
          1 (mot) Reserve Detachment
     Total Tanks on Arrival in Africa
          25 Mk 1B, 45 Mk II, 75 Mk III, & 20 Mk IV
200th Schützen Regiment:
          1 (mot) Signals Platoon
     2nd (mot) Machine Gun Battalion:
          1 (mot) Signals Platoon
          1 Motorcycle Company (8 LMGs)
          3 (mot) Machine Gun Companies, each with
               (12 LMGs, 3 50mm Mortars, 3 AT Rifles)
          1 (mot) Support Company, with
               1 Anti-Tank Company (6-37mm PAK guns & 2 LMGs)
               1 Mortar Section (6-81mm mortars)
          2 (mot) Pioneer Companies (9 LMGs ea)<sup>1</sup>
     8th (mot) Machine Gun Battalion:
          1 (mot) Signals Platoon
          1 Motorcycle Company (8 LMGs)
          3 (mot) Machine Gun Companies, each with
               (12 LMGs, 3 50mm Mortars, 3 AT Rifles)
          1 (mot) Support Company, with
               1 Anti-Tank Company (6-37mm PAK guns & 2 LMGs)
               1 Mortar Section (6-81mm mortars)
          1 (mot) Support Company, with
               (9 37mm PAK guns & 3 LMGs)
          1 (mot) Pioneer Companies (9 LMGs)
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¹ The three (mot) pioneer companies were later organized into the 200th z.b.V. Pioneer Battalion.

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3rd Reconnaissance Battalion:
          1 Light Armored Car Company (1 zug had Volkswagens)
               10-37mm PAK guns & 25 LMGs
          1 Motorcycle Company, with
               (3-50mm Mortars, 2 AT Rifles & 18 LMGs)
          1 (mot) Support Company, with
               1 Cavalry Engineer Platoon (3 LMGs)
               1 AT Platoon, with 3-37mm PAK guns & 1 LMG)
               1 Infantry Support Gun Section (2 75mm guns)
          1 (mot) Light Supply Column (3 LMGs)
1/75th Artillery Regiment:
          Battalion Headquarters
               1 (mot) Signal Detachment
               1 (mot) Calibration Detachment
          3 (mot) Batteries (4-105mm FH18 field guns)
605th Armored Panzerjäger Battalion:
          Armored HQ Section
          1 (mot) Signals Detachment
          3 Self Propelled AT Companies (3 37mm PAK guns ea)
39th (Mot) Panzerjäger Battalion:
          (mot) HQ Section
          3 (mot) Panzerjäger Companies (9-37mm, 2-50mm PAK guns &
               6 LMGs)
606th Self Propelled Flak Battalion:
          Self Propelled HQ Section
          3 Self Propelled Flak Companies (12-20mm each)
1/33rd Flak Regiment:
         Battalion HQ Section
          Signals Section
          2 20mm Batteries (4 20mm guns ea)
          3 88mm Batteries (4 88mm guns ea)
          1 Light (horse drawn) Supply column
Luftwaffe:
          2 (H)/14 Pz Reconnaissance Staffel
Support Troops:
          Staff/683rd Administration Battalion
          Staff/681st Administration Battalion
          688th Support Troops HQ
               1 (mot) Light Supply Column
               641st (heavy) Water Column
               1 (mot) Panzer Replacement Column
               588th Munition Column
               129th (mot) Instruction Company
               122nd (mot) Instruction Company
               1 (mot) Supply Battalion (3 cos)
          619th Supply Battalion
               797th (mot) Light Supply Column
               800th (mot) Light Supply Column
               801st (mot) Light Supply Column
               803rd (mot) Light Supply Column
               804th (mot) Light Supply Column
               822nd (mot) Light Supply Column
               5/619th (mot) Heavy Supply Column
               6/619th (mot) Heavy Supply Column
               622nd (mot) Heavy Supply Column
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533rd Supply Battalion

6 (mot) Heavy Supply Columns

1 (mot) Heavy Fuel Column

1 (mot) Maintenance Platoon

735th (mot) Field Post Office

309th (mot) Military Police Platoon

631st (mot) Ambulance Company

633rd (mot) Ambulance Company

4/572nd (mot) Field Hospital

1/83rd (mot) Medical Company

877th (mot) Medical Supply Column

645th (mot) Water Column

503rd (mot) Butcher Section

531st (mot) Bakery Section

341st Administration Section

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