Detailed Organization American Parachute Infantry Battalion Parachute Infantry Company 1 July 1941

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Company Headquarters:
      1 Captain (commanding)
      1 1st Lieutenant (2nd in command)
      1 1st Sergeant (1 .45 cal submachine gun)
      1 Sergeant (communication) (1 .30 cal M1 rifle)
      1 Sergeant (operations) (1 .30 cal M1 rifle)
      11 Privates
            3 Messengers (3 .30 cal M1 rifles)
            3 Radio Operators (3 .30 cal M1 rifles)
            5 Riflemen (5 .30 cal M1 rifles)
3 Rifle Platoons
      <u>Platoon</u> headquarters:
            1 1st Lieutenant
            1 2nd Lieutenant
            1 Staff Sergeant (1 .45 cal submachine gun)
            1 Corporal (radio & code signal) (1 .30 cal M1 rifle)
            3 Privates
                  2 Messengers (2 .30 cal M1 rifles)
                  1 Radio Operator (1 .30 cal M1 rifle)
      2 Rifle Squad, each with:
            1 Sergeant (squad leader)
            1 Corporal (asst squad leader) (1 .45 cal submachine gun)
            10 Privates
                  1 Ammunition Carrier (1 .30 cal M1 rifle)
                  1 Light Machine Gunner (.30 cal LMG)
                  1 Assistant Light Machine Gunner
                        (1 .30 cal M1 rifle)
                  7 Riflemen (7 .30 cal M1 rifles)
      60mm Mortar Squad:
            1 Sergeant (squad leader) (1 .45 cal submachine qun)
            5 Privates
                  3 Ammunition Carriers (3 .30 cal M1 rifles)
                  1 Mortar Gunner (1 .30 cal M1 rifle & 1 60mm mortar)
                  1 Assistant Mortar Gunner (1 .30 cal M1 rifle)
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Note: Everyone is equipped with a parachute and a .45 cal pistol, in addition to the weapons shown.

Total Equipment:

127 parachutes, 12 .30 cal LMGs, 3 60mm mortars, 127 .45 cal pistols, 100 $\,$.30 cal M1 rifles, & 13 .45 cal submachine guns.

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