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Kampfgruppe Marcks
     1 AA Battery (3-88mm Guns)
     Pardi Group (3-20mm batteries)
     Det/605th AT Battalion
          Engineer Platoon
          Battery 6-76.2mm SP Guns
          2 Motorized AT Companies, each with
                7-47mm Czech Guns & 3 LMGs
     104th Motorized Infantry Regiment
     1/155th Motorized Infantry Regiment
          4 Companies (4-76.2mm AT Guns each)
     2/155th Motorized Infantry Regiment
          1 Heavy Weapons Company (10-76.2mm Guns)
          4 Infantry Companies
     3/104th Motorized Infantry Regiment
          1 Heavy Weapons Company
          4 Infantry Companies
104th Artillery Regiment
     408th Artillery Battalion
          1 Heavy Battery (2-210mm Howitzers)
          2 Medium Batteries (7-105mm Guns total)
          1 Italian Medium Battery (105mm Guns)
     North Group
          523rd Artillery Battalion
                1 Heavy Battery (170mm Guns)
                1 Heavy Battery (150mm Guns)
          533rd Artillery Battalion
               Battery HQ Unit
                2 Medium Batteries (100mm Guns)
          11th Artillery Observation Group
     221st Artillery Regiment
          326th Battery Observation Unit
          2/115th Artillery Regiment (210 Guns)
          528th Artillery Battalion
                1 Heavy Battery (170mm Guns)
                2 Motorized Medium Batteries (7-105mm Guns total)
<u>Hecht</u> <u>AA</u> <u>Battalion</u><sup>1</sup>
          114th AA Battalion
               1 20mm AA Battery (12 Guns)
                1 50mm AA Battery (8 Guns)
                3 88mm AA Batteries (9 Guns total)<sup>2</sup>
          1/33rd AA Battalion
                2 20mm AA Batteries (24 Guns)
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¹ Part of this was to be used in the Gazala operation in an amphibious role, making this suspect.

² Each battery also had a section of 20mm guns.

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1/18th AA Battalion
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- 2 20mm AA Batteries (24 Guns)
- 2 88mm AA Batteries (7 Guns)³

800th (Brandenburg) Battalion (2 Cos)

2/H/14th Observation Squadron

3rd San Marco Marine Battalion (one company)

Corps Troops:

475th Engineer Battalion

580th Mixed Exploration Kampfgruppe

- 1 Self propelled 20MM AA Battery⁴
- 1 AT Battery (50mm Guns)
- 1 Armored Car Company
- 1 Motorized Infantry Company

606th AT/AA Battalion

3 Companies 50mm AT Guns⁵

15th Panzer Division:

HQ Company

- 1 Command Platoon
- 1 Motorcycle Platoon
- 1 Military Police Section

8th Panzer Regiment

- 1 Command Company
 - 1 Engineer Platoon
 - 1 Tank Platoon (Pzkfz Mk I or II)
- 1/,2/8th Panzer Regiment, each with
 - 1 Command Company
 - 1 Tank Platoon (Pzkfz Mk I or II)
 - 3 Panzer Companies (Pzkfz Mk III)
 - 1 Panzer Company (Pzkfz IV)

15th Infantry Brigade:

200th Motorized Infantry Regiment

- 1 Engineer Platoon
- 1 Motorcycle Platoon

15th Motorcycle Battalion

- 1 Company Heavy BMW Motorcycles
- 1 MG Company
- 3 Motorcycle Companies

2nd MG Battalion

- 1 HMG Company
- 3 LMG Companies
- 1 75mm AT Battery

115th Motorized Infantry Regiment:

Regimental HQ Company

1 Engineer Platoon

³ Each battery also had a section of 20mm guns.

⁴ Equipped with halftracks.

⁵ Equipped with halftracks.

⁶ Brigade staff for the 104th and 115th Regiments.

- 1 Pioneer Platoon
- 1 Motorcycle Platoon
- 1 AT Platoon
- 1/,2/115th Motorized Infantry, each with
 - 4 Infantry Companies
 - 1 Heavy Weapons Company

33rd Motorized Artillery Regiment:

Battery HQ Section

1/,2/33rd Motorized Artillery Regiment, each with

3 105mm Batteries

Mixed Battalion, with

- 1 105mm Battery
- 2 150mm Batteries

33rd Reconnaissance Battalion:

- 1 Engineer Platoon
- 2 Armored Car Companies
- 1 Heavy Motorcycle Company
 - 1 Pioneer Platoon
 - 2 AT Platoons
- 1 Motorcycle Company

33rd AT Battalion:

3 AT Companies

33rd Engineer (Pioneer) Battalion

3 Engineer Companies

Engineer Battalion

- 1 Engineer Company
- 1 Radio Company

15th Panzer Division Support Troops

Structure unknown

21st Panzer Division:

HQ Company

- 1 Command Platoon
- 1 Motorcycle Platoon
- 1 Military Police Section

5th Panzer Regiment:

Command Company

- 1 Engineer Platoon
- 2 Armored Platoons (Pzkfz Mk I or II)
- 1 Repair Company
- 1/,2/5th Panzer Regiment, each with
 - 1 Command Company
 - 1 Tank Platoon (Pzkfz Mk I or II)
 - 3 Panzer Companies (Pzkfz Mk III)
 - 1 Panzer Company (Pzkfz IV)

8th Motorized MG Battalion

- 1 Engineer Platoon
- 1 Motorcycle Platoon
- 1 HMG Company
- 3 LMG Companies
- 1 50mm AT Company

104th Motorized Infantry Regiment:

(transferred during the summer)

155th Motorized Artillery Regiment:

Battery Headquarters

2 Battalions, each with 3 batteries of 100mm Guns

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Mixed Battalion, with
               1 105mm Battery
               2 150mm Batteries
     3rd Reconnaissance Detachment:
          2 Armored Car Companies
          1 Heavy Motorcycle Company
               1 Pioneer Platoon
               2 AT Platoons
     39th AT Detachment:
          3 AT Companies
     CC Pioneer Battalion:
          3 Pioneer Companies
     CC Engineer Battalion
          1 Engineer Company
          1 Radio Company
     21st Panzer Division Support Troops
90th Light Division "Afrika"
          HQ Company
               1 Command Platoon
               1 Motorcycle Platoon
               1 Military Police Section
     Sonderverband 288<sup>7</sup>
                                Regimental Staff
          Special Company of Lehr Regiment, z.b.V 800 of Abwehr
          1 Gebirgs Jäger (Mountain) Infantry Company
          1 Infantry Company
          1 MG Company
          1 AT Company<sup>8</sup>
          1 AA Company
          1 Pioneer Company
          1 Heavy Weapons Company
     Kampfgruppe Burchart (Airborne)
               3 Falschrimjäger Companies, each with
                    18 LMG's
                    2 HMG's
                    3 45mm Mortars
                    1 81mm Mortar
               1 HMG Company
                    8 HMG's
                    4 81mm Mortars
                    4 AT Rifles
               1 AT Company
                     8 37mm AT Guns
                    3 47mm AT Guns
               1 75mm AT Battery
               1 Pioneer Company
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⁷ Formed on July 24, 1941. On 10/31/42 it was renamed Panzer Grenadier Regiment Afrika. At that time it added 3 20mm AA Platoons, 2 Pioneer Platoons, 1 company (2 platoons) Czech SP 47mm guns from the 605th AT Battalion.

⁸ Equipped with sturmgeschütz SP guns.

361st Infantry Regiment:

1 Infantry Battalion

HQ Company

- 1 81mm Mortar
- 1 37mm AT Gun
- 1 AT Rifle
- 2 LMG's
- 1 Infantry Battalion
 - 2 Infantry Companies
 - 18 LMG's
 - 2 HMG's
 - 4 AT Light Rifles
 - 2 AT Heavy Rifles
 - 1 37mm AT Gun
 - 1 Infantry Company
 - 14 LMG's
 - 2 HMG's
 - 3 AT Light Rifles
 - 1 Heavy Weapons Company
 - 6 37mm AT Guns
 - 2 47mm AT Guns
 - 4 81mm Mortars
- 1 Infantry Battalion
 - 1 Infantry Company
 - 9 LMG's
 - 2 HMG's
 - 3 AT Light Rifles
 - 1 AT Heavy Rifles
 - 2 81mm Mortars
 - 3 37mm AT Guns
 - 1 Infantry Company
 - 9 LMG's
 - 2 HMG's
 - 3 AT Light Rifles
 - 1 81m Mortar
 - 1 47mm AT Gun
 - 8 37mm AT Guns
 - 1 Infantry Company
 - 4 LMG's
 - 2 HMG's
 - 1 Light AT Rifle
 - 1 heavy AT Rifle
 - 1 81mm Mortar
 - 3 47mm AT Guns

155th Infantry Regiment:

Detached to Kampfgruppe Marcks

AA Forces:

Independent 20mm AA Battery

368th Flak (AA/AT) Battalion

1st Section (4 LMG's, 3 HMG's, 4 37mm AT Guns)

2nd Section (11 LMG's)

3rd Section (4 LMG's, 7 20mm AA Guns)

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