

Panzer Army Afrika
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Panzer Group Afrika Headquarters: (later redesignated Panzer Army Afrika)

- Corps Staff
- 575th Motorized Mapping Detachment
- 182nd GFP Detachment
- Army Road Service Detachment
- 13th Company/288th Brandenburg Lehr Regiment
- Armored Command Staff

Artillery:

- 104th (mot) Arko
- 221st (mot) Artillery Regimental Staff
 - (mot) Signals Platoon
- 1/408th (mot) Artillery Regiment
 - 1 (mot) Staff Battery
 - 3 (mot) Batteries (4 100mm K 18 guns)
 - 1 (mot) 20 ton Ammunition Column
- 2/115th Artillery Regiment
 - 1 (mot) Staff Battery
 - 1 (mot) Battery (4 100mm Italian guns)
 - 2 (mot) Batteries (3 210mm Morsars)
 - 1 (mot) 48 ton Ammunition Column
- 1/612th (mot) Flak Battalion (12 20mm guns)
- 523rd Coastal Artillery Battalion
 - 3 Batteries (4-155mm French guns ea)
- 528th Coastal Artillery Battalion
 - 3 Batteries (4-155mm French guns ea)
- 529th Coastal Artillery Battalion
 - 3 Batteries (6-155mm French guns ea)
- 533rd Coastal Artillery Battalion
 - 3 Batteries (4-155mm French howitzers ea)
- 4/149th Artillery Regiment (3-170mm guns on Mrs Carriages)
- 902nd (mot) Artillery Battery
 - (2 170mm guns on Mrs Carriages)
- 4/772nd Artillery Regiment (3-170mm guns on Mrs Carriages)
- 363rd Mountain Battery (4 75mm mountain guns K15)
- 364th Mountain Battery (4 75mm mountain guns K15)
- Artillery Battery (4 105mm leFH)
- 70th Nebelwerfer Regiment
 - 1 (mot) Staff Battery
 - 1 (mot) Signals Platoon
 - 1st & 2nd Batteries, each with:
 - 1 (mot) Staff Battery
 - 3 (mot) Nebelwerfer Batteries (150mm launchers)
 - 1 (mot) Nebelwerfer Light Column
- 11th Artillery Observation Battalion
 - 1 (mot) Staff Battery
 - 1 (mot) Flash Ranging Company
 - 1 (mot) Sound Ranging Company
- 721st Calibration Detachment
- 722nd Calibration Detachment
- 723rd Calibration Detachment

724th Calibration Detachment
725th Calibration Detachment
726th Calibration Detachment
606th Self Propelled Flak Battalion
 (3 btrys, each with 12 20mm guns)
612th (mot) Flak Battalion
 (3 btrys, each with 12 20mm guns)
617th Self Propelled Flak Battalion
 (3 btrys, each with 6 20mm guns)
707th Self Propelled Heavy Infantry Gun Company
 (6 150mm sfl sIGs)
708th Self Propelled Heavy Infantry Gun Company
 (6 150mm sfl sIGs)

580th Mixed Reconnaissance Company (deleted in pencil)

1 Self Propelled Flak Platoon (4-20mm & 1 LMG)
1 Infantry Platoon (3-28mm PzBu41, 9 LMGs & 3 HMGs)
1 Armored Car Platoon (8 LMGs & 6 HMGs)
1 Panzerjäger Platoon (3-50mm PAK 38 & 2 LMGs)

605th (Self Propelled) Panzerjäger Battalion

1 (mot) Signals Platoon
2 Self Propelled Batteries (8 sfl 47mm Czech guns)
2 Self Propelled Batteries (8 sft 76.2mm Russian guns)

900th (mot) Pioneer Battalion:

2 (mot) Pioneer Companies (9 LMGs & 3 PzBu 39)
1 (mot) Pioneer Supply Column

10th Signals Regiment:

1st Battalion:

1/10th (mot) Telephone Operations Company
2/10th (armored) Radio Company
3/56th (mot) Telephone Interception Company
1 (mot) Light Signals Supply Column

2nd Battalion:

4/10th (mot) Telephone Construction Company
5/10th (mot) Telephone Wire Company
6/10th (mot) Telephone Wire Company
Afrika (mot) Propoganda Company
1 Light (mot) Signals Supply Column

135th (mot) Artillery Regiment

1 (mot) Signals Platoon
1 (mot) Calibration Detachment
1/33rd (mot) Flak Battalion
 1 (mot) Signals Platoon
 3 (mot) Batteries (6 88mm guns ea)
 2 (mot) Batteries (12 20mm guns ea)
1/18th (mot) Flak Battalion
 1 (mot) Signals Platoon
 3 (mot) Batteries (6 88mm guns ea)
 2 (mot) Batteries (12 20mm guns ea)

Koluff Libyen:

Light Air Defense Group
Courier Staffel
2 (H)/14 Panzer Reconnaissance Staffel

288th Sonderverband:

1 Company (20 LMGs, 2 PzBu39, 6 37mm PAK 36, 11 20mm & 2 50mm mortars) (should have 12-20mm, 2 50mm PAK 38, 6 37mm PAK 36, 10

80mm mortars, 650mm mortars, 12 HMGS, 54 LMGs, & 3 self propelled 20mm flak)

Fallschirmtruppen (penciled out, listed as without vehicles)

- 1 (mot) Fallschirmjäger Battalion
 - 3 Companies each with:
 - (18 LMGs, 2 HMGS, 3 50mm mortars & 1 80mm mortars)
- 1 (mot) Fallschirmjäger Heavy Company (8 HMGS, 4 80mm mortars & 2 light anti-tank rifles)
- 1 (mot) Panzerjäger Battery (8 37mm PAK 36 & 3 50mm PAK 38)
- 1 (mot) Infantry Gun Battery (4 75mm leIG)
- 1 (mot) Pioneer Platoon (3 LMGs)
- 1 (mot) Maintenance Platoon

Army Supply Forces:

585th Supply Regiment

- 619th (mot) Supply Battalion HQ (Benghazi)
- 681st (mot) Supply Battalion HQ z.b.V. (Tripoli)
- 792nd (mot) Supply Battalion HQ z.b.V.
- 798th (mot) Supply Battalion HQ z.b.V.
- 529th Supply Column Battalion (60% of strength)
 - 6 Light (mot) Supply Columns
 - 534th, 535th & 536th Heavy (mot) Supply Columns
 - 1 (mot) Maintenance Platoon
 - 1 Heavy (mot) POL Column
- 533rd Supply Column Battalion (50% of strength)
 - 6 Heavy (mot) Supply Columns
 - 1 (mot) Maintenance Platoon
 - 1 Heavy (mot) POL Column
- 686th Supply Column Battalion (50% of strength)
 - 6 Heavy (mot) Supply Columns
 - 1 (mot) Maintenance Platoon
 - 1 Heavy (mot) POL Column
- 902nd Supply Column Battalion (40% of strength)
 - 10 Heavy (mot) Supply Columns
- 90th Supply Column Battalion (60% of strength)
 - 6 Heavy (mot) Supply Columns
 - 1 Heavy (mot) POL Column
- 148th (Italian) (mot) Supply Battalion HQ
 - 4 (132 ton) Very Heavy Supply Columns
 - 1 (mot) Supply Platoon
- 149th (Italian) (mot) Supply Battalion HQ
 - 4 (132 ton) Very Heavy Supply Columns
 - 1 (mot) Supply Platoon
- 648th Instruction Battalion
 - 134th Vehicle Instruction Company
 - 10th Panzer Park
 - 4 unidentified Detachments
- 566th Ordnance Division
 - 3 (mot) Maintenance Parks
- 560th Ordnance Division
 - 3 (mot) Maintenance Parks
- 532nd Supply Battalion
 - 541-547th (mot) Munitions Detachments
 - 2 (mot) Laboratories
 - 3 (mot) (mot) Betr St. V. Detachments
 - 3 (mot) (mot) Feldz D. Detachments

Other:

498th (mot) Military Police Detachment
741st G.F.P. Detachment
556th Construction Brigade
 957th Signals Platoon
 Afrika Construction Battalion (3 cos)
 85th Construction Battalion (4 cos)
 1 (mot) Construction Column
659th (mot) Field Post Office
762nd (mot) Field Post Office
317th Army Administration
445th Army Administration
2/592nd (mot) Medical Company
1/705th (mot) Medical (formation of unknown type)
5/542nd (mot) Field Hospital
667th (mot) Field Hospital
Tripoli Hospital
531st Medical Park
475th (mot) Signals Battalion
 2 (mot) Telephone Intercept Companies
 1 (mot) Telephone Company
 1 (mot) Panzer Radio Company
1/554th (mot) Field Bakery Battalion

Deutsch Afrika Korps:

Corps Troops:

576th (mot) Mapping Detachment
475th (mot) Signals Battalion
2 (mot) Telephone Intercept Companies
1 (mot) Telephone Company
1 Panzer Radio Company
1 (mot) Light Signals Supply Column
572nd (mot) Supply Battalion (45% of strength)
 2-6/572nd (mot) Heavy Supply Column (2 LMGs ea)
 7/572nd (mot) Heavy POL Column (2 LMGs)
 1 (mot) Maintenance Platoon
 609th (mot) Ammunition Administration Company
580th Supply Battalion (water service) (45% of strength)
 659th (mot) Salt Water Distillation Company (2 LMGs)
 665th (mot) Water Distillation Company (2 LMGs)
 877th (mot) Water Filtration Column (2 LMGs)
 641st, 646th, 659th Heavy Water Columns (2 LMGs ea)

15th Panzer Division:

Headquarters

 33rd (mot) Mapping Detachment (2 LMGs)
 33rd Motorcycle Messenger Platoon

8th Panzer Regiment: (about 70 tanks)

 Armored Signals Platoon
 1 Light Armored Platoon
 1 Regimental Band
 1 Armored Maintenance Company

1st & 2nd Battalions, each with:

 1 Armored Staff Company
 1 Medium Armored Company
 3 Light Armored Companies
 1 Armored Reserve Detachment

15th Schützen Brigade:

115th Schützen Regiment:

- 1 (mot) Headquarters Company
 - 1 Signals Platoon
 - 1 Pioneer Platoon (3 LMGs)
 - 1 Motorcycle Platoon
 - 1 Anti-Tank Platoon (3-50mm PAK 38)
 - 1 Regimental Band

1 (mot) Infantry Support Gun Company
(2-150mm & 4-75mm guns)

1st Battalion:

- 4 (mot) Infantry Companies, each with
(18 LMGs, 2 HMGs, 3-80mm mortars, 3 PzBu39 & 1 37mm PAK 36)
- 1 (mot) Support Company, with
 - 1 Pioneer Platoon (3 LMGs & 1 28mm PzBu41)
 - 1 Panzerjäger Platoon (2-50mm PAK 38)
 - 1 Panzerjäger Platoon (3-37mm PAK 36 & 1 LMG)

2nd Battalion:

- 2 (mot) Infantry Companies, each with
(18 LMGs, 2 HMGs, 3-80mm mortars, 3 PzBu39 & 1 37mm PAK 36)
- 2 (mot) Infantry Companies, each with
(18 LMGs, 2 HMGs, 3-80mm mortars, & 3 PzBu39)
- 1 (mot) Support Company, with
 - 1 Pioneer Platoon (3 LMGs & 1 28mm PzBu41)
 - 1 Panzerjäger Platoon (2-50mm PAK 38)
 - 1 Panzerjäger Platoon (3-37mm PAK 36 & 1 LMG)

200th Regiment:

- 1 (mot) Signals Platoon
- 1 Motorcycle Platoon

2nd Machine Gun Battalion

- 1 (mot) HQ Company, with
 - 1 Signals Platoon
 - 2 Motorcycle Platoons (4 LMGs ea)
- 3 (mot) Machine Gun Companies, each with
(12 HMGs, 3-50mm mortars & 3 PzBu39)
- 1 (mot) Support Company, with
 - 1 Pioneer Platoon (3 LMGs)
 - 1 Panzerjäger Platoon (3-50mm PAK 38 & 1 LMG)
 - 1 Panzerjäger Platoon (3-37mm PAK 36 & 1 LMG)
 - 1 Mortar Platoon (6-80mm mortars)

15th Motorcycle Battalion:

- 3 Motorcycle Companies, each with
(3-50mm mortars, 2 HMGs, 18 LMGs & 3 PzBu39)
- 1 Motorcycle Company with
(6-80mm mortars & 8 HMGs)
- 1 (mot) Support Company, with

- 1 Pioneer Platoon (3 LMGs & 1 28mm PzBu41)
- 1 Panzerjäger Platoon (2-50mm PAK 38 & 1 LMG)
- 1 Panzerjäger Platoon (3-37mm PAK 36 & 1 LMG)

33rd Reconnaissance Battalion:

- 1 (mot) Signals Platoon
- 1 Armored Car Company, with (10 HMGs & 25 LMGs)
- 1 Motorcycle Company (3 50mm mortars, 2 HMGs, 18 LMGs & 3 PzBu39)
- 1 (mot) Support Company, with
 - 1 Pioneer Platoon (3 LMGs & 1 28mm PzBu41)
 - 1 Panzerjäger Platoon (3-37mm PAK 36 & 1 LMG)
 - 1 Panzerjäger Platoon (2-50mm PAK 38)

33rd Artillery Regiment:

- HQ Company
 - 1 (mot) Staff Battery
- 1st & 2nd Battalions, each had:
 - 1 (mot) Staff Battery
 - 3 (mot) Batteries (4-105mm 1FH 18 & 2 LMGs ea)
- 3rd Battalion, with
 - 1 (mot) Staff Battery
 - 3 (mot) Batteries (4-150mm 1FH 18 & 2 LMGs ea)
- 326th (mot) Observation Company

33rd Panzerjäger Battaion: (about a 20 PAK)

- 1 (mot) Signals Platoon
- 3 (mot) Companies (9-50mm PAK 38 & 6 LMGs)

33rd (mot) Pioneer Battalion:

- 3 (mot) Companies (9 LMGs & 3 PzBu39 ea)
- 1 Light (mot) Pioneering Supply Column

33rd Feldersatz Battalion:

- 3 Companies (no heavy weapons)

78th Signals Battalion: (about 50% of strength)

- 1 (armored) Radio Company
- 1 (armored) Signals Company
- 1 Light (mot) Signals Supply Column

Service Forces:

33rd Supply Battalion:

- 1-7/33rd & 9/33rd Light (mot) Supply Columns
- 13/,14/33rd Heavy (mot) Supply Columns
- 33rd (mot) Panzer Replacement Column
- 10/,11/,12/33rd Heavy (mot) POL Supply Columns
- 1-3/33rd (mot) Maintenance Companies
- 33rd (mot) Supply Company
- 33rd (mot) LW Company
- 581st (mt) Water Filtration Company (1 LMG)
- 33rd Panzer Replacement Column (1 LMG)

Food Service:

- 33rd (mot) Quartermaster Detachment
- 33rd (mot) Bakery Company
- 33rd (mot) Butcher Company

Medical:

1/,2/33rd (mot) Medical Companies¹

36th (mot) Field Hospital

1/,2/,3/Ambulance Companies

Other:

33rd (mot) Military Police Detachment

33rd (mot) Field Post Office

21st Panzer Division

Headquarters

200th (mot) Mapping Detachment

5th Armored Regiment: (about 70 tanks)

Headquarters

1 Armored HQ Company

2 Light Armored Platoons

1 Regimental Band

Support Units

1 Armored Maintenance Company

1st & 2nd Battalions, each with

1 Armored HQ Company

1 Light Armored Platoon

1 Medium Armored Company

3 Light Armored Companies

104th Schutzen Regiment:

1 (mot) HQ Company

1 (mot) Signals Platoon

1 (mot) Pioneer Platoon (3 LMGs)

1 Motorcycle Platoon

1 Panzerjäger Platoon (3-50mm PAK 38)

1 Regimental Band

2nd Battalion,²

3 (mot) Infantry Companies, each with
(18 LMGs, 2 HMGs, 3-50mm mortars & 3 PzBu39)

1 (mot) Heavy Infantry Company, with
(8 HMGs & 6-80mm mortars)

1 (mot) Support Company, with
1 Pioneer Platoon (3 LMGs)
1 Panzerjäger Platoon (1 28mm PzBu41, 2-50mm
PAK 38)

1 Panzerjäger Platoon (4-37mm PAK 36 & 1 LMG)

Attached:

1 Regimental Infantry Support Gun Company
(2-150mm sIG & 4-75mm leIG guns)

8th Machine Gun Battalion

1 (mot) HQ Company, with
1 Signals Platoon
2 Motorcycle Platoons (4 LMGs ea)

3 (mot) Machine Gun Companies, each with
(12 HMGs, 3-50mm mortars & 3 PzBu39)

1 (mot) Support Company, with
1 Panzerjäger Platoon (3-50mm PAK 38 & 1 LMG)

¹ The 1/33rd (mot) Medical Company was captured shortly before this.

² 1/104th is indicated as a "total loss" and as having been taken prisoner.

1 Panzerjäger Platoon (3-37mm PAK 36 & 1 LMG)
 1 Mortar Platoon (6-80mm mortars)
 1 Pioneer Platoon (3 LMGs)
 1 (mot) Panzerjäger Company, with
 (9-50mm PAK 38 & 3 LMGs)
155th Artillery Regiment: (at about 65% of strength)
 1 (mot) Regimental Staff Battery
 1/155th Artillery Regiment, with
 1 (mot) Staff Battery
 3 (mot) Batteries (4-105mm 1FH 18 & 2 LMGs ea)
 2/155th Artillery Regiment
 1 (mot) Signals Platoon
 1 (mot) Calibration Detachment
 3 Batteries (4-105mm 1FH 18 & 2 LMGs ea)
 3/155th Artillery Regiment
 1 (mot) HQ Company
 2 (mot) Batteries (4-150mm sFH & 2 LMGs ea)
 1 (mot) Battery (4-100 K18 guns & 2 LMGs)³
 1 (mot) Light Munitions Supply Column (60t)
3rd Reconnaissance Battalion: (at about 50% of strength)
 1 (mot) Signals Platoon
 1 Armored Car Company, with
 (19 HMGs & 31 LMGs)
 1 Motorcycle Company (3 50mm mortars, 2 HMGs, 18 LMGs
 & 3 PzBu39)
 1 (mot) Support Company, with
 1 Pioneer Platoon (3 LMGs)
 1 Panzerjäger Platoon (6-37mm PAK36 & 1 LMG)
 1 Panzerjäger Platoon (2-50mm PAK 38 & 1 LMG)
200th Feldersatz Battalion:
 4 Companies (no heavy weapons)
200th Pioneer Battalion
 3 (mot) Pioneer Companies (9 LMGs & 3 PzBu39 ea)
 1 (mot) Light Suply Column
200th Signals Battalion:
 1 Armored Radio Company
 1 Armored Signals Company
 1 Light (mot) Signals Supply Column
39th Panzerjäger Battalion
 1 (mot) Signals Platoon
 3 (mot) Companies (9-50mm PAK 38 & 6 LMGs ea)⁴
Service Forces:
 3/,4/,5/,6/,7/,8/,12/200th Light (mot) Supply Columns
 (1 LMG ea)
 1/,2/,10/,11/Heavy (mot) Supply Columns (2 LMGs ea)
 9/200th Heavy (mot) POL Supply Column (2 LMGs)
 1/200th (mot) Maintenance Company
 2/,3/200th (mot) Vehicle Instruction Companies
 200th (mot) Supply Company

³ The 100mm K18 battery of the 3/155th Artillery Regiment was sunk enroute to Africa.

⁴ One company is marked as being lost.

200th (mot) Tank Replacement Transport Column
579th (mot) "LW" Company
589th (mot) Light Water Filtration Column

Food Service:

200th (mot) Bakery Company
200th (mot) Butcher Company
200th Divisional Quartermaster Detachment

Medical:

1/,2/200th (mot) Medical Companies
200th (mot) Field Hospital
1/,2/200th Ambulance Columns

Other:

200th (mot) Military Police Detachment
200th (mot) Field Post Office z.b.V.

90th Light Afrika Division:

190th (tmot) Signals Company) (30%)
259th (jmot) Mapping Detachment

361st Infantry Regiment

1 Staff (1 LMG & 1 28mm PzBu41)
1 (tmot) Signals Company (3 28mm PzBu41)
1st Battalion
1 Company (18 LMGs, 4 HMGs, 2 28mm PzBu41,
1 PzBu39, 1 37mm PAK 36, 1 50mm PAK 38)
1 Company (18 LMGs, 4 HMGs, 2 28mm PzBu41,
4 PzBu39 4 80mm mortars & 1 37mm PAK 36)
2 Companies (lost)

2nd Battalion

1 Company (15 LMGs, 3 HMGs, 1 28mm PzBu41,
3 PzBu39, 3 37mm PAK 36, 1 50mm PAK 38)
1 Company (15 LMGs, 3 HMGs, 2 28mm PzBu41,
3 PzBu39, 2 80mm mortars & 2 37mm PAK 36)
2 Companies (lost)

3/347th Infantry Regiment

1 Company (8 LMGs, 2 HMGs, 1 28mm PzBu41, 4 PzBu39,
3 37mm PAK 36, 1 50mm PAK 38, & 2 80mm
mortars)
1 Company (7 LMGs, 2 HMGs, 1 28mm PzBu41, 4 PzBu39,
1 80mm mortar, 2 37mm PAK 36, 1 50 PAK 38)
1 Company (7 LMGs, 2 HMGs, 1 28mm PzBu41, 3 PzBu39,
1 80mm mortar, 3 37mm PAK 36, 1 50 PAK 38)
1 Company (lost)

3/155th Infantry Regiment: (shown as total loss-captured)

3 Infantry Companies
(15 LMGs, 2 80mm mortars & 3 PzBu39 ea)

300th Infantry Battalion: (shown as total loss-captured)

5 Infantry Companies
(12 LMGs, 3 50mm mortars & 6 PzBu39 ea)

361st Artillery Battalion⁵

⁵ A note indicates that it has "no guns," but symbology is indicated for the following listed weapons. It is probable that the battalion was equipped from existing stocks of weapons.

1 Staff (5 LMGs, 1 HMG & 1 37mm PAK 36)
1 Signals Platoon
1 (mot) Calibration Detachment
3 Batteries (4 105mm leFH & 6 LMGs)
1/613th Army Flak Battalion (12 20mm guns)

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