

**German-Italian Panzer Army Afrika  
and OB South  
22 December 1942**

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At Army's Disposal:<sup>1</sup>

90th Light Afrika Division:<sup>2</sup>

- 1/,2/155th Panzer Grenadier Regiment
- 1/,2/200th Panzer Grenadier Regiment
- 1/,2/361st Panzer Grenadier Regiment
- 190th Panzerjäger Battalion
- 580th Reconnaissance Battalion
- 190th Panzer Battalion
- 1/190th Artillery Regiment
  - 2 Motorized Batteries (4-105mm LFH)
  - 1 Motorized Battery (4-100mm K18 guns)
- 2/190th Artillery Regiment
  - 2 Motorized Batteries (4-105mm LFH)
  - 1 Motorized Battery (4-100mm K18 guns)
- 190th Artillery Battery (12-75mm guns)
- 190th Feldersatz Battalion
- 190th Signals Battalion
- 900th Pioneer Battalion
- 190th Supply Service

Italian "Giovanni Fascisci" Division:

(also Cacciatori d'Africa)

- 136th Giovani Fascisti Infantry Regiment
- 136th Artillery Regiment
- 25th Engineer Battalion
  - 25th Signal Company
  - 62nd Pioneer Company (Guastatori)
- 53rd Medical Section
- 105th CCRR Section

Italian "Pavia" Auto-Transport Division:

- 1/,2/,3/57th Infantry Regiment
- 1/,2/,3/58th Infantry Regiment
- 10th Engineer Battalion
- 10th Mortar Battalion (81mm mortars)
- 10th AT Battalion (47mm/32 AT guns)
- 1/,2/,3/,4/,5/20th Motorized Artillery Regiment
  - 2 Motorized Artillery Battalions (75mm/27 guns)
  - 1 Motorized Artillery Battalion (100mm/17 howitzers)
  - 2 Motorized AA Artillery Battalions (20mm guns)

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<sup>1</sup> This is the theoretical organization after the Battle of El Alamein. The actual condition, indeed which elements of the divisions that actually still survived, is unknown.

<sup>2</sup> The National Archives Microcopy No. T-78, Roll 405 indicates that the 707th and 708th Stug Battalion (6 Sturmgeschütz each) were attached to the 90th Light Division in mid-1942. The source document does not indicate that they were present, but it has other omissions which suggests that these units may still be present.

Corps Troops:

475th Motorized Signal Battalion

9th Nebelwerfer Battalion

Verband 288

1/,2/288th Regimental HQ

605th Panzerjäger Battalion

3 Self Propelled Panzerjäger Companies (Czech 47mm guns)

1 Self Propelled Panzerjäger Company (Russian 76.2mm guns)

Flak Forces:

606th Flak Battalion

1 Self Propelled Flak Company (20mm guns)

2 Self Propelled Flak Companies (20mm guns  
and 2 quad 20mm guns)

609th Flak Battalion

1 Self Propelled Flak Company (20mm guns)

2 Self Propelled Flak Companies (20mm guns)

617th Flak Battalion

1 Self Propelled Flak Company (20mm guns)

2 Self Propelled Flak Companies (20mm guns)

612th Flak Battalion

3 Self Propelled Flak Company (20mm guns)

Luftwaffe Forces:

Other:

135th Flak Regimental

1/18th Flak Regiment

2/25th Flak Regiment

1/43rd Flak Regiment

1/534d Flak Regiment

1st Afrika Artillery Regiment:

1st Motorized Battalion:

1st Motorized Battery (87.6mm English Field Guns)

2nd Motorized Battery (100mm K.18 guns)

3rd Motorized Battery (210mm Mrs.18 howitzers)

2nd Battalion:

4th Motorized Battery (87.6mm English Field Guns)

5th Motorized Battery (100mm K.18 guns)

6th Motorized Battery (210mm Mrs.18 howitzers)

3rd Battalion:

7th Motorized Battery (87.6mm English Field Guns)

8th Motorized Battery (150mm sFH howitzers)

9th Motorized Battery (210mm Mrs.18 howitzers)

10th Motorized Battery (76.2mm Russian Field Guns)

2nd Afrika Artillery Regiment

1st Battalion:

1st Motorized Battery (170mm guns on howitzer  
carriages)

2nd Motorized Battery (170mm guns on howitzer  
carriages)

3rd Motorized Battery (170mm guns on howitzer  
carriages)

2nd Battalion:

4th Motorized Battery (150mm K16 guns)

5th Motorized Battery (150mm K16 guns)

6th Motorized Battery (150mm K16 guns)

3rd Battalion:

7th Motorized Battery (114mm English guns)

8th Motorized Battery (150mm K16 guns)

9th Motorized Battery (150mm K16 guns)

4th Battalion:

10th Motorized Battery (100mm K18 guns)

11th Motorized Battery (100mm K18 guns)

12th Motorized Battery (100mm K18 guns)

1/,2/10th Panzer Signals Regiment:

Construction & Engineer Troops:

85th Construction Battalion

German Afrika Korps:

21st Panzer Division:

1/,2/5th Panzer Regiment

1/,2/,3/104th Panzer Grenadier Regiment

3rd Reconnaissance Battalion

1/155th Artillery Regiment

3 Motorized Batteries (105mm lFH)

2/155th Artillery Regiment (105mm lFH)

3/155th Artillery Regiment

1 Motorized Battery (100mm K18)

2 Motorized Batteries (150mm sFH 18)

39th Panzerjäger Battalion

1 Self Propelled Panzerjäger Company (47mm guns)

1 Motorized Panzerjäger Company (50mm AT guns)

200th Pioneer Battalion

200th Feldersatz Battalion

200th Signals Battalion

200th Supply Battalion

15th Panzer Division:

1/,2/8th Panzer Regiment

1/,2/,3/115th Panzer Grenadier Regiment

33rd Reconnaissance Battalion

1/33rd Artillery Regiment

3 Motorized Batteries (105mm lFH)

2/33rd Artillery Regiment

3 Motorized Batteries (105mm lFH)

2/33rd Artillery Regiment

1 Motorized Battery (100mm K18 guns)

2 Motorized Batteries (150mm sFH 18)

33rd Panzerjäger Battalion

1 Self Propelled Panzerjäger Company (47mm guns)

1 Motorized Panzerjäger Company (50mm AT guns)

33rd Pioneer Battalion

78th Signals Battalion

33rd Feldersatz Battalion

33rd Supply Battalion

Italian XX (mot) Corps:

132nd "Ariete" Armored Division:

III Armored Group "Nizza Cavarly"

132nd "M" Armored Regiment

IX "M" Tank Battalion

X "M" Tank Battalion

XIII "M" Tank Battalion

20mm Artillery Company

Infantry:

8th Bersaglieri Regiment (2 bns)  
III Bersaglieri Motorcycle Battalion

Artillery:

132nd Artillery Regiment  
1st (mot) Battalion (75mm/27 guns)  
2nd (mot) Battalion (75mm/27 guns)  
3rd (mot) Battalion (105mm/28 guns)  
4th (mot) Battalion (90mm/53 guns)  
5th Semoventi Battalion (75mm/18 guns)  
6th Semoventi Battalion ((75mm/18 guns)  
XV Battalion (105mm/28 guns)  
XXXI Battalion (88mm/55 guns)

Other:

XXXII Mixed Engineer Battalion

133rd "Littorio" Armored Division:

III Armored Group "Lancieri Novara"<sup>3</sup>

133rd "M" Armored Regiment  
IV "M" Tank Battalion  
XII "M" Tank Battalion  
LI "M" Tank Battalion  
20mm Artillery Company

Infantry:

12th Bersaglieri Regiment (2 bns)  
XXVIII Bersaglieri Battalion  
XXXVI Bersaglieri Battalion  
XIX Bersaglieri Motorcycle Battalion

Artillery:

133rd Artillery Regiment  
2nd (mot) Battalion (75mm/27 guns)  
554th Semoventi Battalion (75mm/18 guns)  
556th Semoventi Battalion (75mm/18 guns)  
321st Artillery Battalion (100mm/17 howitzers)  
29th Artillery Battalion (88mm/55 guns)

Italian X Corps:

(Italian) 185th Folgore Parachute Division

186th Parachute Regiment  
5th Parachute Battalion  
6th Parachute Battalion  
187th Parachute Regiment  
2nd Parachute Battalion  
4th Parachute Battalion  
9th Parachute Battalion  
Raggruppamento Ruspoli  
7th Parachute Battalion  
8th Parachute Demolition Engineer Battalion

(Italian) 101st (mot) "Trieste" Division:

VIII Armored Bersaglieri Battalion  
XI "M" Armored Battalion  
65th (mot) Infantry Regiment (2 bns)  
66th (mot) Infantry Regiment (2 bns)

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<sup>3</sup> Organization as of 1 September 1942.

21st Artillery Regiment  
1st (mot) Battalion (100mm/17 howitzers)  
2nd (mot) Battalion (100mm/17 howitzers)  
3rd (mot) Battalion (75mm/27 guns)  
4th (mot) Battalion (75mm/27 guns)  
5th (mot) Battalion (75/50mm guns)  
Battalion (100mm/17 howitzers)  
411th 20mm Battery  
446th 20mm Battery

(Italian) 27th "Bresica" Division:

1/,2/,3/19th Infantry Regiment  
1/,2/,3/20th Infantry Regiment  
XXVII Divisional Machine Gun Battalion  
1st Celere Artillery Regiment  
1st 100mm/17 Howitzer Group (100mm/17 Howitzers)  
2nd 100mm/17 Howitzer Group (100mm/17 Howitzers)  
3rd 75mm/13 Artillery Battalions (75mm/13 Guns)  
4th 75mm/13 Artillery Battalions (75mm/13 Guns)

Ranke Fallschirmjäger Brigade

(unknown detachment)  
1/2nd Fallschirmjäger Regiment  
1/3rd Fallschirmjäger Regiment  
2/5th Fallschirmjäger Regiment  
Fallschirmjäger Lehr Battalion XI Fliegerkorps  
2/Fallschirmjäger Artillery Regiment (75mm  
Mountain Guns)  
AT Artillery Company (37mm AT guns)

Italian XXI Corps:

(Italian) 25th "Bologna" Division:

1/,2/,3/39th Infantry Regiment  
1/,2/,3/40th Infantry Regiment  
1/,2/,3/,4/205th Artillery Regiment  
1st Bn (100mm/17 Model 14 howitzers)  
2nd Bn (100mm/17 Model 14 howitzers)  
3rd Bn (75mm/27 Mod 06 guns)  
4th Bn (75mm/27 Mod 06 guns)  
4th Battery 20mm AA guns  
437th Battery 20mm AA guns  
25th Pioneer Battalion

102nd (Trento) Motorized Infantry Division:

61st Motorized Infantry Regiment  
62nd Motorized Infantry Regiment  
7th Motorized Bersaglieri Regiment  
46th Motorized Artillery Regiment  
1 100mm/17 Gun Battalion  
2 75mm/27 Gun Battalions

Attached:

551st AT Battalion

164th Light Afrika Division:

1/,2/,3/125th Panzer Grenadier Regiment  
1/,2/,3/382nd Panzer Grenadier Regiment  
1/,2/,3/433rd Panzer Grenadier Division  
220th Artillery Battalion  
220th Division (Einheiten) Service Units

Ranke Fallschirmjäger Brigade

(unknown detachment, rest with X Corps)

**OB South** (Forming in Tunis)

10th Panzer Division: (enroute to Tunis)

1/,2/7th Armored Regiment

10th Panzer Grenadier Brigade

1/,2/,3/69th Panzer Grenadier Regiment

1/,2/,3/86th Panzer Grenadier Regiment

90th Panzerjäger Battalion

90th Motorcycle Battalion

1/,2/,3/,4/90th Artillery Regiment

90th Signals Battalion

46th Pioneer Battalion

90th Division (Einheiten) Support Units

Herman Göring Panzer Division (enroute to Tunis)

1/,2/,3/1st Herman Göring Infantry Regiment

1/,2/,3/2nd Herman Göring Infantry Regiment

1/,2/,3/Herman Göring Jäger Regiment

Herman Göring Panzerjäger Battalion

Herman Göring Reconnaissance Battalion

1/,2/,3/,4/Herman Göring Artillery Regiment

Herman Göring Signals Battalion

Herman Göring Pioneer Battalion

Herman Göring Division (Einheiten) Support Units

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