

Japanese 8th Army
15 January 1942

8th Area Army: Lt. General Hitoshi Imamura

17th Army:

- 7th Heavy Field Artillery Regiment (-1 co)
- 3rd Independent Heavy Artillery Battalion
- 1st Co, 45th Field Anti-Aircraft Battalion
- 25th Field Cannon Company
- 28th Field Cannon Company
- 4th Engineer Headquarters
- 17th Army Signal Unit Station (at Rabaul)
- 2 Wireless Platoons, 14th Signal Regiment
- 1 Wire Co, 15th Signal Regiment
- 21st Mortar Battalion
- 54th Independent Transportation Company
- 55th Independent Transportation Company
- 31st Field Road Construction Unit
- 67th Line of Communication Hospital (- 1 unit)
- 76th Line of Communication Hospital (- 1 unit)
- 94th Line of Communication Hospital
- 10th Casualty Clearing Headquarters
- 53rd Casualty Clearing Platoon
- 54th Casualty Clearing Platoon

Assigned:

- 1st Shipping Group
- 1 Co, 24th Signal Regiment
- Det/67th Line of Communication Hospital
- Det/76th Line of Communication Hospital
- Det/24th Field Water Supply & Purification Depot of B Unit
- Det/Supply Depot

18th Army:

20th Division (added mid-April 1942)

- 20th Infantry Group
- 78th Infantry Regiment
- 79th Infantry Regiment
- 80th Infantry Regiment
- 20th Reconnaissance Regiment
- 26th Artillery Regiment (24-75mm guns & 24-105mm how)
- 20th Engineer Regiment
- 20th Signal Unit
- 20th Transport Regiment

41st Division (added mid-April 1942)

- 41st Infantry Group
- 237th Infantry Regiment
- 238th Infantry Regiment
- 239th Infantry Regiment
- 41st Mountain Artillery Regiment (36-75mm mountain guns)
- 41st Engineer Regiment
- 41st Signal Unit
- 41st Transport Regiment

51st Division (added mid-April 1942)

- 51st Infantry Group

66th Infantry Regiment
 102nd Infantry Regiment
 115th Infantry Regiment
 51st Reconnaissance Regiment
 14th Artillery Regiment (24-75mm guns & 12-105mm how)
 51st Engineer Regiment
 51st Signal Unit
 51st Transport Regiment
 South Sea Detachment (added mid-April 1942)
 21st Independent Brigade (added mid-April 1942)
 41st Infantry Regiment (added mid-April 1942)
 2nd Independent Mixed Brigade (-1 infantry bn, artillery unit,
 tank unit, anti-aircraft unit & automobile unit)
 1 Infantry Bn, 38th Division (-1 co)
 1 Co, 10th Independent Mountain Artillery Regiment
 1 Platoon, 88th Independent Wire Company
 OKI Unit (temporary Unit)
 Det/76th Line of Communication Hospital
 Det/24th Field Water Supply & Purification Depot
 2nd Bn, 229th Infantry Regiment (51st Division)
 65th Brigade (-1 unit)
 8th Tank Regiment
 7th Tank Regiment (-1 co)
 3rd Independent Heavy Artillery Battalion (E)
 41st Field Anti-Aircraft Battalion
 25th Field Gun Company
 28th Field Gun Company
 4th Engineer Regiment
 17th Army Signal Unit (stationed on Rabaul)
 1 Wire Co, 15th Signal Regiment
 7 Wireless Platoons, 14th Signal Regiment
 37th Fixed Radio Unit
 42nd Fixed Radio Unit
 21st Mortar Battalion

Air Units:

76th Independent Air Squadron (HQ Recon plane)
 72nd Air Sector Command
 Det/48th Air Field Battalion (HQ Recon plane)
 21st Air Field Battalion (fighter)
 22nd Air Field Battalion (fighter)
 33rd Air Field Company
 10th Air Field Construction Unit
 9th Transport Unit, 8th Division
 Det/1st Construction Company
 81st Shore Duty Company
 38th Independent Motor Car Company
 2nd Independent Transport Regiment
 54th Independent Transport Company
 55th Independent Transport Company
 31st Fixed Road Construction Unit
 7th Land Transportation Unit of Guard Division
 35th Sea Duty Company
 55th Construction Company
 61st Construction Company (-1 unit)
 67th Line of Communication Hospital (-1 unit)

76th Line of Communication Hospital (-1 unit)
94th Line of Communication Hospital
103rd Line of Communication Hospital
10th Casualty Clearing HQ
53rd Casualty Clearing Company
54th Casualty Clearing Company
63rd Casualty Clearing Platoon
64th Casualty Clearing Platoon
24th Field Water Supply & Purification of Dept B (-1 unit)
16th Line of Communication Veterinary Hospital
Det/22nd Field Ordnance Depot
Det/22nd Field Motor Transport Depot
Det/22nd Freight Depot.

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