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Tunis Command:
     <u>Tunis</u> <u>Division</u>:
          4th Mixed Zouave Regiment (3 bns)
          4th Tunisian Tirailleur Regiment (3 bns)
          8th Tunisian Tirailleur Regiment (3 bns)
          4th Tunisian Spahis Regiment (2 bns)
          4th Chasseurs d'Afrique Regiment
               (2 cavalry & 1 armored sqn)
          8th Guard Regiment
               1 cavarly Sqn, 2 bicycle sqns, 2 mot infantry cos)
          62nd Artillery Regiment
               2 75mm Batterys
               1 (mot) 75mm Battery
               31st (mot) AT Company (47mm guns)
               42nd (mot) AT Company (75mm guns)
          34th Engineer Battalion
          44th Signals Battalion
          26th Transportation Battalion
XIX (?) Corps
     Constantine Division:
          3rd Algerian Brigade
               3rd Zouave Regiment (4 bns)
               3rd (bis) Zouave Regiment (3 bns)
          7th Algerian Brigade:
               3rd Algerian Tirailleur Regiment (4 bns)
               3rd (bis) Algerian Tirailleur Regiment (3 bns)
          7th Brigade: (forming)
               7th Algerian Tirailleur Regiment (4 bns)
               15th Senegalese Tirailleur Regiment (3 bns)
          3rd Algerian Cavalry Brigade:
               3rd Algerian Spahis Regiment (3 bns)
               3rd Chasseurs d'Afrique Regiment (1 bn, 2 detached)
               7th Guard Regiment (1 cavarly sqn, 2 mot infantry
                    cos, 1 bicycle company)
          67th Artillery Brigade:
               2 75mm Batterys
               1 75mm Mountain Battery
               1 (mot) 75mm Battery
               1 105mm Battery
          Other Units:
               1st Indochinese Construction Company
               25th Transportation Battalion
               ? Transportation Company
     Algerian Division:
          <u>1st Aglerian Brigade:</u>
               1st Zouave Regiment
                    2 (mot) Anti-Tank Battalions
               9th Zouave Regiment (3 bns)
          5th Algerian Brigade:
               9th (bis) Zouave Regiment (3 bns)
               1st Aglerian Tirailleur Regiment (4 bns)
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5th Aglerian Tirailleur Regiment (3 bns)
          8th Aglerian Tirailleur Regiment (3 bns)
     <u>2nd (mot) Brigade:</u>
          29th Aglerian Tirailleur Regiment (4 bns)
          13th Senegalese Tirailleur Regiment (3 bns)
     1st Algerian Cavarly Brigade:
          1st Algerian Spahis Regiment (3 cavalry bns,
               4th detached)
          5th Chasseurs d'Afrique Regiment (1 cavalry bn,
               2nd & 3rd detached)
          Cavalry School (2 cavalry bns, 3rd detached)
     65th Artillery Regiment:
          1 75mm Battery
          1 75mm Mountain Battery
          1 (mot) 75mm Battery
          31st Anti-Tank Battery (47mm guns)
     Other Units:
          19th Engineer Regiment (3 bns & 1 (mot) railroad bn)
          43rd Signals Battalion
          45th Signals Battalion
          Indochinese Construction Company
          27th Transportation Battalion
Oran Division:
     2nd Algerian Brigade:
          2nd Algerian Tirailleur Regiment (4 bns)
          2nd (bis) Algerian Tirailleur Regiment (3 bns)
     4th Algerian Brigade:
          6th Algerian Tirailleur Regiment (4 bns)
          6th (bis) Algerian Tirailleur Regiment (3 bns)
     Brigade:
          16th Tunisian Tirailleur Regiment (2 bns)
          1st Foreign Legion Regiment (3 bns)
          1st Foreign Legion Staff Regiment (2 bns)
     2nd Algerian Cavarly Brigade:
          2nd Algerian Spahis Regiment (3 bns & 4th detached)
          7th Guard Regiment (1 cavary sqn, 2 mot infantry
               cos, 1 bicycle co)
          8th Algerian Spahis Regiment (3 bns)
     66th Artillery Regiment
          1 (mot) 75mm Battery
          1 105mm Battery
          1 75mm Battery
          31st (mot) Anti-Tank Company (47mm)
          42nd (mot) Anti-Tank Company (75mm)
     Other:
          1st Indochinese Construction Company
          28th Transportation Battalion
<u>1st</u> <u>Armored</u> <u>Division</u>: (forming)
     <u>Light Mechanized Brigade:</u>
          2nd Zouave Armored Regiment (2 tank bns)
          2nd Chasseurs d'Afrique Regiment (1 armored car bn,
               1 tank bn, 1 (mot) infantry bn)
          8th Chasseurs d'Afrique Regiment (2 (mot) infantry bns)
          12th Chasseurs d'Afrique Regiment (organization
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unknown)

Cavarly Brigade

Det/3rd Chasseurs d'Afrique (1 armored car & 1
 tank bn)

Det/5th Chasseurs d'Afrique (1 armored car & 1
 tank bn)

Det/1st Algerian Spahis Regiment (1 tank bn) Det/2nd Algerian Spahis Regiment (1 tank bn) Det/Cavarly School Regiment (1 tank bn)

68th Artillery Regiment:

2 (mot) 75mm Batterys

1 75mm Battery

1 105mm Battery

Saharan Forces:

Eastern Group:

Sahara Command (3 infantry & 1 mot infantry bns)
Sahara Legion Group (2 mot) infantry bns)
6th Algerian Spahis Regiment(2 cavalry bns)
Camel Corps (3 armored car bns & 1 camel bn)
Foreign Legion Artillery (2 mot 75mm btrys)
2nd (mot) Engineer Battalion
2 Transportation Battalions

Western Group:

Sahara Command (2 infantry bns)

African Free Corps:

1st Light Demi-brigade (5 infantry bns)

Moroccan Command

Fez Division:

94th Moroccan Tirailleur Brigade:

11th Algerian Tirailleur Regiment (3 bns) 3d Moroccan Tirailleur Regiment (3 bns)

4th Moroccan Tirailleur Regiment (3 bns) 5th Moroccan Tirailleur Regiment (4 bns)

3rd Senegalese Tirailleur Regiment (4 bns)

5th Senegalese Tirailleur Regiment (3 bns)

<u>Cavalry</u> <u>Brigade</u>:

5th Moroccan Spahis Regiment (1 cavalry bn)
1st Foreign Legion Cavalry Regiment (1 armored car battalion & 2nd detached)

63rd Artillery Regiment

1 75mm Battery

2 75mm Mountain Batteries

69th Artillery Regiment

1 150mm Howitzer Battery

1 75mm Mountain Battery

Other:

33rd Engineer Battalion 4/41st Signals Company 14/41st Signals Company 142nd Signals Battalion

806th Signals Battalion

33rd Transportation Battalion

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1st Naval March Division:
          7th Moroccan Tirailleur Regiment (3 bns)
          8th Moroccan Tirailleur Regiment (3 bns)
          1st Foreign Legion Demi-brigade (3 bns)
     Cavalry:
          5th Moroccan Spahis Regiment (2 bns 7 3rd Detached)
          9th Guard Regiment (1 mot infantry co &
               1 bicycle company)
      64th Artillery Regiment
          3 (mot) 75mm Batterys
          1 105mm Gun Battery
      70th Artillery Regiment
          forming
      Other
          2/41st Signals Company
          5/41st Signals Company
          12/41st Signals Company
          Det/33rd Transportation Battalion
          29th Transportation Battalion
Casablanca Division:
          1st Moroccan Tirailleur Regiment (3 bns)
          2nd Moroccan Tirailleur Regiment (3 bns)
          3rd Moroccan Tirailleur Regiment (3 bns)
          5th Moroccan Tirailleur Regiment (3 bns)
     3rd Motorized Brigade:
          11th Moroccan Tirailleur Regiment (3 bns)
          Moroccan Colonial Regiment (4 bns)
          1st Moroccan Spahis Reigment (3 cavalry bns)
          3rd Moroccan Spahis Reigment (3 cavalry bns,
               all detached)
          9th Guard Regiment (1 bicycle sgn, 1 cavarly
               squadron, 1 mot infantry company)
     Moroccan Colonial Artillery Regiment:
          2 (mot) 75mm Batterys
1 Mixed 150mm/105mm howitzer Battery
          2 Battalions detached
     Levan Colonial Artillery Regiment
          1 75mm Battery
          2 Battalions detached
     Other:
          31st Engineer Battalion
          Moroccan Construction Company
          1/41st Signal Company
          6/41st Signal Company
          11/41st Signal Company
          17/41st Signal Company
          21/41st Signal Company
          32nd Transportation Battalion
Marakesh Division:
          2nd Moroccan Tirailleur Regiment (detached)
          2/6th Senegalese Tirailleur Regiment
     <u>Cavalry</u>:
          2nd Moroccan Spahis Regiment (3 cavalry bns)
          4th Moroccan Spahis Regiment (2 cavalry bns & 3rd
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detached)

9th Guard Regiment (1 mot infantry company)

Artillery:

75mm Mountain Battery (from Moroccan Colonial Artillery Regiment)

75mm Battery (from Levant Colonial Artillery Regiment)

Other:

3/41st Signals Company 13/41st Signals Company

Det/31st Transportation Battalion

2nd Moroccan March Division:

4th Foreign Legion Demi-brigade (5 bns)

2nd Armored Brigade: (forming)

1st Chasseurs d'Afrique

2 Medium armored battalions 1 Light armored battalion

6th Chasseurs d'Afrique

2 Medium armored battalions

1 Light armored battalion

30th Chasseurs d'Afrique

(3 bns forming)

1st Chasseurs d'Afrique

1 Self Propelled Anti-Tank Battalion

1 Bicycle Battalion

Cavarly:

Det/4th Moroccan Spahis Regiment

Det/1st Foreign Legion Cavalry Regiment

Independent Border Group

6th Senegalese Tirailleur Regiment (1 bn present,

4 detached)

3rd Foreign Legion Regiment (2 mot infantry cos,

1 mot infantry battalion, 1 cavalry squadron)

15/41st Signal Company

Det/31st Transportation Battalion

Other

14 Companies of Tabores/Goums

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