

**Japanese 8th Area Army**  
**29 April 1943**

17th Division:

- 53rd Infantry Regiment
- 54th Infantry Regiment
- 2nd Mixed Regiment
- 17th Divisional Reconnaissance Unit
- 23rd Artillery Regiment (36-75mm guns)
- 17th Engineer Regiment
- 17th Signal Unit
- Transport Regiment

Attached:

- 39th Independent Mixed Brigade (- 5th Mixed Regiment)
- 4th GO Infantry Battalion (formerly called the 4th SHIN Infantry Battalion)
- 1st Independent Mortar Battalion (-1 co)
- Det/5th Field Searchlight Battalion
- Fortification Section, 8th Area Army (-1 element)
- Det/8th Area Army Communication Unit Headquarters Pigeon Platoon
- Det/12th Shipping Engineer Regiment
- Det/15th Stationary Communication Unit
- 1st Air Photographic Unit (of the Kwantung Army) (-1 element)
- 31st Field Road Construction Unit
- 2nd Specially Established Land Duty Company
- 27th Specially Established Construction Duty Company (-1 element)

38th Division:

- 228th Infantry Regiment
- 229th Infantry Regiment
- 3rd Mixed Regiment
- 38th Mountain Artillery Regiment (36-75mm mountain guns)
- 38th Engineer Regiment
- 38th Signal Unit
- 38th Transport Regiment
- (Sick Horse Depot detached)

Attached:

- 5th Mixed Brigade
- 1st GO Infantry Battalion (formerly called 1st Sakura Infantry Battalion)
- 1 Co, 7th Field Heavy Artillery Regiment
- 1 Co, 1st Independent Mortar Battalion
- 39th Field Anti-Aircraft Battalion
- 37th Independent Field Anti-Aircraft Company
- 3rd Field Searchlight Battalion
- 5th Co, 16th Signal Regiment (2 plats)
- Det/8th Area Army Signal Unit
- Det/Specially Established Construction Duty Company
- Det/24th Field Sanitation & Water Purification Unit

65th Brigade: Colonel Yanagiya  
141st Infantry Regiment  
65th Brigade Engineer Unit  
65th Brigade Signal Unit

Attached:

14th Independent Mixed Brigade  
Det/12th Shipping Engineer Regiment  
63rd Casualty Clearing Unit

Army Tank Unit:

8th Tank Regiment

Army Artillery Unit: Colonel Shimoto

9th Artillery Headquarters  
7th Field Heavy Artillery Regiment  
5th Independent Field Heavy Artillery Battalion  
3rd Independent Heavy Artillery Battalion  
1st Independent Mortar Battalion (-2 cos)  
3rd Specially Established Land Duty Company

Army Air Defense Unit: Colonel Kawai

19th Field Anti-Aircraft Artillery Gun Unit HQ  
47th Field Anti-Aircraft Battalion  
50th Field Anti-Aircraft Gun Battalion  
58th Field Anti-Aircraft Gun Battalion (-1 co)  
60th Field Anti-Aircraft Gun Battalion (-1 co)  
31st Independent Field Anti-Aircraft Gun Company  
22nd Field Automatic Cannon Company  
27th Field Automatic Cannon Company  
5th Field Searchlight Battalion (-1 element)

Army Mobile Decisive Combat Unit:

1st Independent Amphibious Battalion

Army Communication Unit: Lt. General. Tanita

5th Co, 16th Signal Regiment (2 sqds)  
1st Independent Radio Company (1 platoon)  
2nd Independent Radio Company (1 platoon & 1 squad)  
63rd Independent Radio Platoon  
Det/15th Permanent Communication Unit  
Det/8th Area Army Communication Unit Headquarters Pigeon  
Platoon

Army Military Police: Colonel Kikuchi

8th Military Police Unit (- element)  
8th Area Army Headquarters Intelligence Section  
Det/8th Area Army Communication Headquarters Enemy Radio  
Section

Medical: Colonel Takano

14th Line of Communication Medical Unit HQ  
67th Line of Communication Hospital  
103rd Line of Communication Hospital  
Det/6th Specially Established Land Duty Company  
10th Casualty Clearing Unit Headquarters  
53rd Casualty Clearing Platoon  
73rd Casualty Clearing Platoon  
76th Casualty Clearing Platoon

Veterinary: Colonel Tatehara

19th Veterinary Quarantine Station  
16th Line of Communication Veterinary Hospital  
38th Division Veterinary Hospital

6th Specially Established Land Duty Company  
Miscellaneous :  
Det/48th Airfield Battalion  
12th Shipping Engineer Regiment (-1 element)  
8th Area Army Special Intelligence Department  
8th Area Army Communication Unit Headquarters Enemy Radio  
    Searching Section (- 1 element)  
24th Field Water Supply & Purification Unit  
26th Field Ordnance Depot (-1 element)  
26th Field Freight Depot (-1 element)  
Guards Division Land Transport Unit  
4th Specially Established Land Duty Company (-1 element)

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