

**Japanese Forces
Bougainville
1 November 1943**

17th Army: Lt. General Hyakutake

6th Division: Lieutenant General Kanda

- 13th Infantry Regiment
- 25th Infantry Regiment
- 45th Infantry Regiment
- 6th Cavalry Regiment
- 6th Artillery Regiment (36-75mm guns)
- 6th Engineer Regiment
- 6th Signal Unit
- 6th Transport Regiment

17th Division:

unknown elements, however full division consisted of:

- 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
- 17th Transport Regiment

Other

- 4th South Seas Garrison Unit
- 15th Anti-Aircraft Artillery Group
- 17th Signal Unit
- 2nd Shipping Group
- other miscellaneous units

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