Detailed Organization American Towed Tank Destroyer Battalion Towed Tank Destroyer Company TO&E 18-37 7 May 1944

<u>Company Headquarters:</u>

<u>Headquarter's</u> <u>Section</u>:

- 1 Captain (cmding) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
- 2 2nd Lieutenant (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
- 1 1st Sergeant (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
- 1 Staff Sergeant (communication chief) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine qun)
- 1 Staff Sergeant (mess) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
- 1 Sergeant (section leader) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine qun)
- 1 Corporal (company clerk) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
- 1 Corporal (gunner) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
- 31 Privates
 - 1 Bugler (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun & 1 1/4-ton trucks with .30 cal LMG)
 - 4 Cooks (4 .45 cal M3 submachine guns)
 - 3 Cook's Helpers (3 .45 cal M3 submachine guns)
 - 2 Armored Car Drivers (2 .45 cal M3 submachine guns & 2 M10 light armored utility cars [substitute M2 halftracks]
 - 1 Motorcycle Messenger (1 .45 cal M3 submachine qun)
 - 1 Radio Operator (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
 - 1 Radio Repairman (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
 - 18 Basics (18 .30 cal M1 rifles)

Unassigned equipment

2 2.36" M1 rocket launchers

Motor Maintenance Section:

- 1 Staff Sergeant (motor) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
- 5 Privates
 - 1 Armorer (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
 - 1 Artillery Mechanic (1.45 cal M3 submachine gun)
 - 3 Automobile Mechanics (3 .45 cal M3 submachine gun, 1 ½-ton truck, 1 ½-ton maintenance truck with 1 .50 cal HB HMG)

Unassigned equipment

1 2.36" M1 rocket launcher

3 <u>Destroyer Platoons</u>, each with:

Platoon Headquarters and Security Section:

- 1 1st Lieutenant (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
- 1 2nd Lieutenant (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
- 1 Staff Sergeant (platoon) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine gun)
- 1 Sergeant (section leader) (1 .30 cal M1 rifle)
- 1 Corporal (asst. section leader) (1 .45 cal M3 submachine qun)
- 8 Privates
 - 2 Light Truck Drivers (2 .45 cal M3 submachine gun 1 1½-ton 6X6 truck [substitute m3 personnel

carrier halftrack] & 1 1-ton trailer)
2 Machine Gunners (2 .45 cal M3 submachine gun
4 Riflemen (4 .30 cal M1 rifles & 3 1/4-ton trucks
[two have .30 cal LMGs])

Unassigned equipment

4 2.36" M1 rocket launchers

2 <u>Destroyer</u> <u>Sections</u>, each with:

2 Sergeants (gun commanders) (2 .30 cal M1 carbines)

2 Corporals (gunners) (2 .30 cal M1 carbines)

14 Privates (cannoneers) (14 .30 cal M1 carbines

& 2 M1 3" anti-tank guns)

2 Privates (halftrack drivers) (2 .30 cal M1 carbines & 2 M3 personnel carrier halftracks [1 with .30 cal LMG & 1 with .50 cal HB HMG])

Total Equipment:

2 M10 armored utility cars, 12 M3 halftrack personnel carriers, 120 .30 cal M1 carbines, 12 M1 3" anti-tank guns, 13 .30 cal LMGs, 7 .50 cal M2 HB flexible HMGs, 49 .45 cal M3 submachine gun, 15 2.36" M1 rocket launchers, 1 solo motorcycle, 33 .30 cal M1 rifles, 3 1-ton trailers, 14 1/4-ton trucks, 3 11/2-ton 6x6 trucks, 1 21/2-ton maintenance truck.

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