#### Organization

#### American Armored Division

# Combat Command Headquarters & Headquarters Company

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### Table of Organization 17-20-1

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Combat Command Headquarters
      1 Brigadier General or Colonel (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
      1 Lt. Colonel (executive) (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
      1 Major (S-2) (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
      1 Major (S-3) (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
      1 Major (S-4) (1 .45 cal M1911 pistol)
      1 Captain (Asst S-3) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
      1 Captain (liaison) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
      1 1st/2nd Lieutenant (Asst Communications) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
      2 1st/2nd Lieutenants (aides) (2 .30 cal M1 carbines)
Headquarters Company:
      Company Headquarters
            Headquarters Section:
                  1 Captain (Asst S-4) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
                  4 Privates
                        1 Bugler (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
                        1 Halftrack Driver (1 .45 cal M3A1 submachine
                              gun, 1 M3A1 halftrack with .30 cal LMG
                              & 1 2.36" rocket launcher)
                        2 Radio Operators (2 .30 cal M1 carbines)
            Maintenance Section:
                  1 Staff Sergeant (motor) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
                  7 Privates
                        1 Automobile Part Clerk (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
                        1 Automobile Mechanic (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
                        2 Automobile Mechanics (1 M3A1 halftrack with
                        .50 cal HB flexible HMG, 1 2.36" rocket
                              launcher, & 1 1-ton trailer, 1 4-ton truck
                              truck, 2 .45 cal M3A1 submachine guns)
                        1 Tank Mechanic (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
                        1 Radio Repairman (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
            Administrative, Mess & Supply Section:
                  1 1st Sergeant (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
                  1 Staff Sergeant (mess) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
                  1 Staff Sergeant (supply) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
                  1 Corporal (company clerk) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
                  13 Privates
                        3 Cooks (3 .30 cal M1 carbines)
                        1 Cook's Helper (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
                        2 Light Truck Drivers (2 .45 cal M3A1 submachine
                              qun, 1 2½-ton kitchen truck, 1 1 2½-ton
                              ammunition, fuel & lubricants truck, & 1
                              M10 ammunition trailer, & 1 2.36" rocket
                              launcher)
                        7 Basics (7 .30 cal M1 carbines)
      Liaison Section
            1 Sergeant (reconnaissance) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
            8 Privates
                  5 Light Truck Drivers (5 .45 cal M3A1 submachine guns,
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#### & 5 $\frac{1}{4}$ -ton trucks)

3 Messengers (3 .30 cal M1 carbines)

## Tank Platoon

- 1 1st/2nd Lieutenant (1 .45 cal M3A1 submachine gun)
- 1 Staff Sergeant (platoon leader) (1 .45 cal M3A1 submachine gun)
- 2 Sergeants (tank commanders) (2 .45 cal M3A1 submachine guns)
- 6 Privates

  - 1 Tank Gunner (1 .45 cal M3A1 submachine gun)
  - 2 Radio Operators (2 .45 cal M3A1 submachine guns)

## Staff Section:

- 1 Warrant (motor transport) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
- 1 Master Sergeant (operations) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
- 1 Master Sergeant (supply) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
- 1 Technical Sergeant (communication chief) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
- 1 Technical Sergeant (intelligence) (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
- 1 Staff Sergeant (message center chief)
  - (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
- 27 Privates
  - 2 Chaplain's Assistants (2 .45 cal M3A1 submachine guns, 2 4-ton trucks & 2 4-ton trailers)
  - 3 Code Clerks (3 .30 cal M1 carbines)
  - 2 General Clerks (2 .30 cal M1 carbines)
  - 1 Supply Clerk (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
  - 1 Topographical Draftsman (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
  - 5 Halftrack Drivers (5 .45 cal M3A1 submachine guns 5 M3A1 halftracks with 2 .30 cal LMGs &
    - 3 .50 cal HB flexible HMGs)
  - 1 Messenger (1 4-ton truck & 1 .45 cal M3A1 submachine gun)
  - 1 Messenger (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)
  - 10 Radio Operators (10 .30 cal M1 carbines)
  - 1 Stenographer (1 .30 cal M1 carbine)

## Attached Chaplain:

- 1 Captain (no weapon)
- 1 1st Lieutenant (no weapon)

## Attached Medical:

- 1 Major
- 1 Captain (dentist)
- 1 Private (record clerk)
- 1 Private (dental technician)

## Total Equipment:

60 .30 cal M1 carbines, 7 M3A1 halftracks, 3 .30 cal LMGs, 4 .50 cal HB flexible HMGs, 28 .45 cal M3A1 submachine gun, 8 2.36" rocket launchers, 5 .45 cal M1911 pistols, 3 light tanks, 1 M10 ammunition trailer,  $9 \frac{1}{4}$ -ton trucks,  $2 \frac{1}{4}$ -ton trailers, 2 1-ton trailers, & 2  $2\frac{1}{2}$ -ton trucks.

 $\underline{\text{Change}}$   $\underline{\text{#1}}$  - insignificant

Change #2 - insignificant

 $\frac{\text{Change}}{\text{Privates}} \, \frac{\#3}{\text{Privates}} \, \frac{20}{\text{reduced from 13 to 10.}}$ 

1 tank commander equipped with submachine gun, other with carbine.

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