Organization of Russian Independent Artillery Brigades and Regiments Summer 1944

<u>Light Artillery Brigade in an Artillery Division:</u>

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Brigade Headquarters:
          Headquarters & Operations Staff (20 officers, 5 men,
               25 rifles, 4 trucks, 2 SP vehicles)
          Political Staff (3 officers, 3 rifles, & 1 SP vehicle)
          Supply Staff (10 officers, 10 men, 20 rifles, 4
               trucks, 1 SP vehicle)
     Headquarters Battery:
          HQ Platoon (1 officer, 11 men, 6 rifles, 6 SMGs, 1 truck)
          Reconnaissance Platoon (1 officer, 16 men, 12 rifles,
               5 SMGs, 2 trucks)
          Signal Platoon (1 officer, 34 men, 30 rifles, 5 SMGs,
               3 trucks, 4 radios)
          Topographical Platoon (1 officer, 20 men, 16 rifles, 5 SMGs
               3 trucks)
          AA Platoon (1 officer, 15 men, 13 rifles, 3SMGs, 3 12.7mm
               AA HMGs, 3trucks)
          Supply Section (7 men, 7 rifles, 1 truck, 1 kitchen)
3 (mot) Light Artillery Regiments, (338 officers, 1,623 men,
               1,584 rifles, 231 SMGs, 36 LMGs, 72 76.2mm Guns,
               12 tractors, 60 trailers, 243 trucks, 42 SP vehicles,
               24 kitchens, 78 radios)
     Headquarters:
         1 (mot) Regimental Staff Company
     2 (mot) Artillery Battalions, each with:
               3 (mot) Batteries (4-76.2mm guns, 4 AT rifles
               & 2 LMGs ea)
          1 (mot) Infantry Platoon
          1 (mot) Maintenance Platoon
          1 (mot) Administration Platoon
          1 (mot) Light Munitions Column
Brigade Support Troops:
     Medical Platoon: (3 officers, 8 men, 11 4rifles, 1 truck,
          1 SP vehicle)
     Ammunition Column: (1 officers, 20 men, 21 rifles, 6 tractors,
          12 trailers, 12 trucks,)
     Work Shops: (6 officers, 18 men, 24 4ifles, 3 trucks, 3 SP
          Vehicles)
Independent 122mm Howitzer Brigade
     Headquarters & Operations Staff (20 officers, 5 men, 25
         rifles, 4 trucks & 2 SP vehicles)
     Political Staff (3 officers, 3 rifles, & 1 SP vehicle)
     Supply Staff (10 officers, 10 men, 20 r4ifles, 3 trucks, & 1 SP
          vehicle)
     HQ Battery
          HQ Platoon (1 officer, 11 men, 6 rifles, 6 SMGs, 1 truck)
          Reconnaissance Platoon (1 officer, 15 men, 11 rifles, 6 SMGs,
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2 trucks)

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Signal Platoon (1 officer, 24 men, 20 rifles, 5 SMGs, 3 trucks)
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- Topographical Platoon (1 officer, 20 men, 16 rifles, 5 SMGs, 3 trucks)
- AA Platoon (1 officer, 15 men, 13 rifles, 3 SMGS, 3 12.7mm AAA HMGs, 3 trucks)

Supply Section (7 men, 7 rifles, 1 truck, 1 kitchen)

- <u>A Howitzer Regiments</u>: (212 officers, 1,820 men, 1,706 rifles, 338 SMGs, 36 LMGs, 6 12.7mm AA HMGs, 48 122mm howitzers, 24 152mm howitzers, 146 tractors 176 trucks, 28 SP vehicles, 22 kitchens, 74 radios
 - 1 (mot) Regimental Staff Company
 - 2 (mot) 122mm Artillery Battalions,
 - 1 (mot) Signals Platoon
 - 4 (mot) Batteries (2 122mm guns ea)
 - 1 (mot) Light Munitions Column
 - 1 (mot) 152mm Artillery Battalion,
 - 1 (mot) Signals Platoon
 - 4 (mot) Batteries (2 152mm guns ea)
 - 1 (mot) Light Munitions Column

Support Troops:

Medical Platoon (3 officers, 8 men, 11 rifles, 1 truck & 1 SP
 vehicle)

Ammunition Platoon (1 officer, 24 men, 25 rifles, 12 tractors, 24 trailers, 12 trucks)

Work Shops (6 officers, 8 men, 24 rifles, 3 trucks, 3 SP vehicles)

Supply Section (5 men, 5 rifles, 2 trucks, 1 kitchen)

Medium Gun Brigade:

Headquarters & Operations Staff (20 officers, 5 men, 25 rifles,
4 trucks, 2 SP vehciles)

Political Staff: (3 officers, 3 rifles, 1 SP vehicle)

<u>Supply Staff</u>: (10 officers, 10 men, 20 rifles, 4 trucks, 1 SP vehicle) Hq Battery:

HQ Platoon (1 officer, 11 men, 6 rifles, 6 SMGs, 1 truck)

Reconnaissance Platoon (1 officer, 15 men, 11 4ifles, 5 SMGs, 2 trucks)

Signal platoon (1 officer, 24 men, 20 rifles, 5 SMGs, 3 trucks & 4 radios

AA MG Platoon (1 officer, 15 men, 13 rifles, 3 SMGs, 3 12.7mm AA HMGs, 3 trucks)

Supply Section (7 men, 7 rifles, 1 truck, 1 kitchen)

Medium Gun Regiments: (226 officers, 1,692 men, 1,210 rifles, 284 SMGs, 18 LMGs, 6 12.7mm AA HMGs, 12 122mm guns, 24 152mm guns, 74 tractors, 52 trailers, 152 trucks, 10 SP vehicles, 16 kitchens, 62 radios)

Medical Platoon: (3 officers, 8 men, 11 rifles, 1 truck, 1 SP Vehicle)
Ammunition Platoon: (1 officer, 24 men, 25 rifles, 12 tractors,
24 trailers, 12 trucks)

Work Shops: (8 officers, 18 men, 24 rifles, 3 trucks, 3 SP vehicles)

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Light Artillery Regiment (557 men)
     HQ and Operations Staff (7 officers, 2 men, 9 rifles, 1 Truck)
     Political Staff (3 officers, 3 rifles)
     Supply Staff (7 officers, 6 men, 13 rifles 2 trucks)
     HQ Battery
          HQ Platoon (1 officer, 7 men, 4 rifles, 4 SMGs, 1 truck)
          Reconnaissance Platoon (1 officer, 10 men, 6 rifles,
               5 SMGs, 2 trucks)
          Signal Platoon (1 officer, 23 men, 19 rifles, 5 SMGs,
               3 trucks, 4 radios)
          Topographical Platoon (1 officer, 20 men, 16 rifles,
               5 SMGs, 3 trucks)
          Supply Section (4 men, 4 rifles, 1 truck, 1 SP vehicle)
     2 (mot) Artillery Battalions: (48 officers, 428 men,
               406 rifles, 58 SMGs, 12 LMGs, 24 76.2mm guns, 4
               4 tractors, 20 trailers, 54 trucks, 6 SP vehicles,
               6 kitchens, 22 radios)
          3 (mot) Batteries (4-76.2mm guns & 2 LMGs ea)
     1 (mot) Medical Platoon (3 officers, 8 men, 11 rifles, 1 truck
               & 1 SP vehicle)
     1 (mot) Ordnance Workshop (3 officers, 9 men, 12 rifles, 1 truck
               & 1 SP vehicle)
     1 (mot) Quartermaster Workshop (5a men, 5 rifles, 1 SP vehicle)
     1 Transportation Platoon (1 officer, 16 men, 17 rifles, 11 trucks
               5 SP vehicles)
     1 Supply Section (3 men, 3 rifles, 1 truck, 1 kitchen)
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Independent 107mm Gun Regiment (750 men)

- 1 (mot) Regimental Staff Company
- 3 (mot) Artillery Battalions,
 - 1 (mot) Battalion Staff Company
 - 3 (mot) Batteries (2-107mm guns ea)

Support Troops, assumed to be:

- 1 (mot) Infantry Platoon
- 1 (mot) Maintenance Platoon
- 1 (mot) Administration Platoon
- 1 (mot) Light Munitions Column

Total Equipment

18 107mm Guns, Model M-40, M-60.

Independent (mot) 122mm Gun Regiment (800 men)

HQ and Operations Staff (11 officers, 2 men, 13 rifles, 2 trucks) Political Staff (3 officers, 3 rifles)

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HO Battery
    HQ Platoon (1 officer, 9 men, 6 rifles, 4 SMGs, 1 truck)
    Reconnaissance Platoon (1 officer, 14 men, 10 rifles, 5 SMGs,
         1 truck)
    Signal Platoon (1 officer, 34 men, 30 rifles, 5 SMGs, 3 trucks
         4 radios)
    Topographical Platoon (1 officer, 20 men, 16 rifles, 5 SMGs, 2
         trucks)
    AA Platoon (1 officer, 15 m3n, 13 rifles, 34 SMGs, 3 12.7mm
         AA HMGs, 3 trucks)
    Supply Section (7 men, 7 rifles, 3 trucks, 1 kitchen)
2 (mot) Artillery Battalions (48 officers, 482 men, 436 rifles,
         98 SMGs, 12 LMGs, 24 122mm howitzers, 48 tractors, 36
         trailers, 38 trucks, 6 SP vehicles, 6 kitchens & 22 radios)
    1 (mot) Battalion Staff Company
    3 (mot) Batteries (4-122mm guns ea)
    1 (mot) Light Munitions Column
1 (mot) Artillery Battalion: (24 officers, 254 men, 231 rifles,
         49 SMGs, 6 LMGs, 12 152mm howitzers, 24 tractors, 18
         trailers, 19 trucks, 3 SP vehicles, 3 kitchens & 11 radios)
    1 (mot) Battalion Staff Company
    3 (mot) Batteries (4-152mm guns ea)
    1 (mot) Light Munitions Column
Support Troops:
    1 (mot) Medical Platoon (3 officers, 9 men, 12 rifles, 1 truck,
         1 SP vehicle)
    1 (mot) Ordnance Work Shop (3 officers, 9 men, 12 rifles,
        1 SP vehicle)
    1 (mot) QM Work Shop (7 men, 7 rifles, 1 SP vehicle)
    1 Transportation Platoon (1 officer, 10 men, 11 rifles, 7 trucks)
    1 Supply Section (3 m3en, 3 rifles, 1 truck, 1 kitchen)
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Independent 152mm Cannon Brigade (2,500 men)
    1 (mot) Brigade Staff Company
    1 (mot) Signals Platoon
3 Cannon Regiments:
    1 (mot) Regimental Staff Company
    3 (mot) Artillery Battalions,
         1 (mot) Signals Platoon
         3 (mot) Batteries (2-152mm cannons, 1 LMG & 2 AT Rifles ea)
         1 (mot) Light Supply Column
    Support Troops:
         organization unknown
    Total Equipment - 54 152mm cannon
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Independent 152mm Howitzer Brigade (1,500 men)
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1 (mot) Brigade Staff Company

1 (mot) Signals Platoon

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1 Howitzer Regiment:
    1 (mot) Regimental Staff Company
    4 (mot) Artillery Battalions,
         4 (mot) Batteries (2-152mm howitzers ea)
         1 (mot) Light Supply Column
    Support Troops:
         organization unknown
    Total Equipment - 32 152mm howitzers/Mod 37
Independent 203mm Howitzer Brigade (1,300 men)
    1 (mot) Brigade Staff Company
    1 (mot) Signals Platoon
1 Howitzer Regiment:
    1 (mot) Regimental Staff Company
    3 (mot) Artillery Battalions,
         4 (mot) Batteries (2-203mm howitzers ea)
         1 (mot) Light Supply Column
    Support Troops:
         organization unknown
    Total Equipment - 24 203mm howitzers
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Independent 203mm Howitzer Artillery Regiment (300 men)
    1 (mot) Regimental Staff Company
    2 Artillery Battlaions:
         1 (mot) Battalion Staff Company
         3 (mot) Artillery Batteries (2-203mm howitzers ea)
    Support Troops
         organization unknown
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Medium Gun Regiment
Headquarters & Operations Staff (11 officers, 2 men, 13 rifles,
         2 trucks)
Political Staff (3 officers)
Supply Staff (9 officers, 9 men, 18 rifles, 2 trucks)
HQ Battery
    HQ Platoon (1 officer, 9 men, 6 rifles, 4 SMGs, 1 truck)
    Reconnaissance Platoon 91 officer, 18 men, 14 rifles,
         5 SMGs, 2 trucks)
    Topographical Platoon (1 officer, 20 men, 16 rifles, 5 SMGs,
         2 trucks)
    Signals Platoon (1 officer, 34 men, 30 rifles, 5 SMGs,
         3 trucks, 4 radios)
    AA Platoon (1 officer, 15 men, 13 rifles, 3 SMGs, 3 12.7mm AA
         HMGs, 3 trucks)
    Supply Section (7 men, 7 rifles, 1 truck, 1 kitchen)
2 152mm Gun/Howitzer Battalions (50 officers, 464 men, 228 rifles,
         80 SMGs, 6 LMGs, 12 152mm guns/howitzers, 24 tractors,
         16 trailers, 30 rucks, 4 kitchens, 18 radios)
1 122mm Gun/howitzer Battalion (25 officers, 208 men, 190 rifles,
         40 SMGs, 3 LMGs, 6 122mm guns/howitzers, 12 tractors
         8 trailers, 15 trucks, 2 kitchens, 9 radios)
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Medical Platoon (3 officer, 9 men, 12 rifles, 1 truck, 1 SP vehicle)
Ordnance Wrok Shop (3 officers, 9 men, 12 rifles, 1 SP vehicle)
Quartermaster work Shop (7 men, 7 rifles, 1 SP vehicle)
Transportation Platoon (4 officers, 32 men, 36 rifles, 1 tractor,
2 trailers, 13 trucks, 2 SP vehicles)
Supply Section (3 men, 3 rifles, 1 truck, 1 kitchen)

76mm (mot) Gun Battalion

Battalion HQ & Staff (8 officers, 3 men, 11 rifles, 1 truck) HQ Battery

Reconnaissance Section (8 men, 4 rifles, 4 SMGs, 1 truck)
Signal Section (8 men, 5 rifles, 3 SMGs, 1 truck, 2 radios)

3 Batteries (15 officers, 168 men, 159 rifles, 18 SMGs, 6 LMGs,

12 76.2mm guns, 6 trailers, 18 trucks, 9 radios)

Ammunition Platoon (1 officer, 16 men, 13 rifles, 4 SMGs, 2 tractors,

4 trailers, 2 trucks)

Supply Section (11 men, 11 rifles, 3 trucks, 3 kitchens)

152mm (mot) Howitzer/Gun Battalion

Battalion HQ & Staff (9 officers, 2 men, 11 rifles) HQ Battery

HQ Section (1 officer, 6 men, 4 4ifles, 3 SMGs, 1 Truck)
Reconnaissance Section (6 men, 3 rifles, 3 SMGs, 1 truck)
Topographical Platoon (1 officer, 18 men, 14 rifles, 5 SMGs, 2 trucks)

Signal Platoon (1 officer, 29 men, 25 rifles, 5 SMGs, 3 trucks,

3 radios)
Supply Section(7 men, 7 rifles, 1 truck, 1 kitchen)

3 Batteries (12 officers, 144 men, 129 rifles, 24 SMGs, 3 LMGs,

 $\,$ 6 152mm guns, 10 tractors, 4 trailers, 4 trucks, 6 radios) Ammunition Platoon (1 officer, 9 men, 10 rifles, 2 tractors,

4 trailers, 2 trucks)

Supply Section (11 men, 11 rifles, 1 trucks, 1 kitchens)

Artillery Observation Battalion

- 1 (mot) Battalion Staff Company
- 1 (mot) Sound Ranging Battalion (2 companies)
- 1 (mot) Flash Ranging Platoon
- 1 (mot) Calibration Company
- 1 (mot) Photographic Platoon
- 1 (mot) Administration Platoon

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