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SUBJECT
MAKE-UP OF A MOTORIZED RIFLE DIVISION OF THE SOVIET ARMY

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SOURCE EVALUATION (DEFINITIVE)
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- THE COMPONENTS OF THE SOVIET MOTORIZED RIFLE DIVISION ARE AS FOLLOWS:
 HEADQUARTERS AND SERVICES OF THE DIVISION
 THREE MOTORIZED RIFLE REGIMENTS
 TANK REGIMENT
 ARTILLERY REGIMENT
 AAA REGIMENT
 SEPARATE ROCKET BATTALION (OTDELNIY REAKTIVNOY DIVIZIYON)
 SEPARATE CHEMICAL DEFENSE COMPANY
 SEPARATE ENGINEER (SAFERNYY) BATTALION
 RECONNAISSANCE COMPANY
 TRANSPORT BATTALION WITH 111 VEHICLES
 MEDICAL BATTALION

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MOTORIZED RIFLE REGIMENT CONSISTS OF THREE MOTORIZED RIFLE BATTALIONS. THERE ARE THREE COMPANIES PER BATTALION AND THREE PLATOONS PER COMPANY. THE PERSONNEL STRENGTH OF A BATTALION IS 300 MEN. IN ADDITION, THE REGIMENT

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HAS THE FOLLOWING UNITS:

A. AN ARTILLERY BATTERY CONSISTING OF:

TWO AUXILIARY-POWERED (SAMODVIZHUSHCHAYA PUSKA) 85-MM GUNS

TWO 82-MM RECOILLESS WEAPONS

FOUR 120-MM MORTARS

TWO 37-MM AA GUNS

TWO 23-MM AA MACHINE GUNS, "ZPU-4" (QUADRUPLE MOUNT).

COMMENT: THE ZPU-4 HAS PREVIOUSLY BEEN IDENTIFIED AS A QUADRUPLE 14.5-MM MOUNT.

B. A TANK BATTALION CONSISTING OF THREE TANK COMPANIES, EACH WITH THREE PLATOONS. IN A PLATOON THERE ARE THREE T-54 MEDIUM TANKS. THE BATTALION HAS A TOTAL OF 31 TANKS: I.E., TEN TANKS PER COMPANY, PLUS ONE FOR THE BATTALION COMMANDER.

C. ONE ARMORED PERSONNEL CARRIER PLATOON.

3. THE ARTILLERY REGIMENT CONSISTS OF THREE BATTALIONS. IT HAS A TOTAL OF 951 MEN AND 54 MORTARS AND GUNS. THE REGIMENT CONSISTS OF THE FOLLOWING:

A. ONE 85-MM GUN BATTALION WITH THREE BATTERIES, EACH WITH SIX GUNS, MAKING A TOTAL OF 18 GUNS.

B. ONE 122-MM HOWITZER BATTALION WITH THREE BATTERIES, EACH WITH SIX GUNS, MAKING A TOTAL OF 18 GUNS.

C. ONE 160-MM MORTAR BATTALION WITH THREE BATTERIES, EACH WITH SIX MORTARS, MAKING A TOTAL OF 18 MORTARS.



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4. THE TANK REGIMENT CONSISTS OF THREE TANK BATTALIONS, EACH WITH THREE TANK COMPANIES. A TANK COMPANY HAS THREE TANK PLATOONS, EACH WITH THREE TANKS. IN A COMPANY THERE ARE TEN TANKS, MAKING A TOTAL OF 31 TANKS FOR THE BATTALION, COUNTING THE TANK FOR THE BATTALION COMMANDER. TOTAL NUMBER OF TANKS IN THE REGIMENT IS 94 T-54 MEDIUM TANKS. A TANK REGIMENT ALSO HAS ONE TANK DESTROYER COMPANY WITH SEVEN SU-122, 122-MM ASSAULT GUNS AND AN AAA BATTERY WITH FOUR 37-MM AA GUNS.

5. THE ANTI-AIRCRAFT ARTILLERY REGIMENT HAS FOUR 57-MM AA GUN BATTERIES. EACH BATTERY CONSISTS OF TWO FIRING PLATOONS, AND IN EACH FIRING PLATOON THERE ARE THREE WEAPONS. THE TOTAL NUMBER OF AA GUNS IN THE REGIMENT IS 24.

6. THE ROCKET BATTALION CONSISTS OF TWO BATTERIES, EACH WITH TWO FIRING PLATOONS. IN A PLATOON THERE ARE THREE "RM-14'S", MAKING A TOTAL OF TWELVE MOUNTS IN THE BATTALION.

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