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- 1. Location: The Infantry Corps of the Rumanian Navy is located at Constanta, on Lenin Boulevard, No. 56. Commander: Colonel Starcu Political Commissar: Major Brad Chief of the General Staff: Major Niculescu.
- The General Staff is divided into the following sections: Operations Section, Training Section, Scouting Section, Liaison and Communications Section, Cipher Section, Civil Defense Section. Counterintelligence Officer (of the Infantry Corps): Lt. Major Emil Gusti. He answers directly to the Ministry of Armed Forces (MFA). The Political Section has 4 to 5 officers. They are the heads of the various bureaus: agitation-propaganda, intelligence, party's committee, UTM (Union of the Working Youth) and training. The political section is conducted by the political commissar and answers directly to the Commander of the Corps. The Cadre Section is in charge of personnel matters. This section works under the orders of the Commander of the Corps. The Command of the Corps has a complement of 100 officers and about 120 sub-officers who are assigned to the various services.
- The Commander of the Rear is under the orders of the Commander of the Corps. He directs the following services: The Supply Service, The Equipment Service, The Accounting Service and The Transportations Service.
- 4. The Infantry Corps of the Navy is composed of: two infantry bases numbered 1 and 2; one tank brigade; and one independent navy-infantry battalion.
- 5. The Navy-Infantry Base No. 1: Location: The command of the base is housed in the buildings located in the center of the city of Sulina. Those buildings are on the street which starts in the center of the city (the harbor) and goes south. The buildings are across from the city's hospital. Commander: Colonel Petre Iacob Political Commissar: Major Ion Barbu

The General Staff has a similar organization to that of the Infantry Corps.

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- 6. Organization of the Navy-Infantry Base: one navy-infantry regiment, two independent navy-infantry battalions, one antitank artillery company (AT).
- 7. Organization of the Navy-Infantry Regiment: three navy-infantry battalions; one artillery company; one pioneers company; one pistol company; one mortar company, 81.4 mm caliber; one communications company.
- Organization of the battalion: three rifle companies, one machine gum company, one antitank platoon.
- Organization of the company: three rifle platoons, composed of three squads each, with 10 men in each squad; one pistol platoon; one machine gun squad; one antitank (AT) platoon.
- 10. Armament: The company: nine ZB automatic guns, three ZB machine guns; the rest are ZB rifles. The AT (antitank) guns are of Soviet type.
- 11. Organization of the artillery company: three artillery batteries composed of four guns, of 75 mm caliber each.
- 12. Organization of the AT company: two batteries, each equipped with four AT Skoda guns, 75 mm caliber.
- 13. Location of the subordinate units of Base No. 1: The Navy-Infantry Regiment is located in the barracks built on the south bank of the Sulina Channel, on the Black Sea shore, at approximately one kilometer east of the city of Sulina. One of the independent battalions of Base No. 1 is housed in wooden barracks located on the beach north of the town of Sfantu Cheorghe (at the mouth of the Sfantu Cheorghe River). The barracks are located approximately 10 kilometers north of the town of Sfantu Cheorghe. The second independent battalion of Base No. 1 is installed in the same barracks which house the regiment, in Sulina.
- 14. The Navy-Infantry Base No. 2: Location: The Command of the base is installed in the building near the center of the city of Mangalia, approximately 40 kilometers south of Constanta. Commander: Major Cheorghe Alexe; Political Commissar: Major Hicolae Cojocaru; Chief of the General Staff: Captain Third Rank Georghe Munteaum. The General Staff had a similar organization to that of the Navy-Infantry Corps. Counterintelligence officer: Lt. Petre Trujmei. The organization of Navy-Infantry Base No. 2 is similar to that of Navy-Infantry Base No. 1.
- 15. The Havy-Infantry Regiment of Mangalia: Location: The regiment is housed in the wooden barracks, located approximately one kilometer north of Mangalia. Commander: Captain Leontin Spineamu; Political Commissar: It. Major Vasile Gheorghe; Chief of the General Staff: Captain Petru Samoila. The two independent battalions of Base No. 2 are housed in wooden barracks, located near the Navy-Infantry Regiment's barracks, north of Mangalia. The organization and the equipment of the regiment and of the two independent battalions are similar to those of Base No. 1. The units of the Navy-Infantry Corps have the mission of gnarding the Black Sea coast against enemy invasion. They have the duty of resisting any possible attack until the units from the inland are transported to the shore.
- 16. The Tank Brigade: Location: The command of the tank brigade of the Eavy-Infantry Corps is located in the village Basarabi (formerly called Murfatlar), approximately 20 kilometers uest of Constanta. Commander: Colonel Chiriley; Political Commissar: Major Petre Calin.
- 17. Organization: The General Staff identical organization as that of the Corpet two tank regiments. At present the brigade has only one regiment with a complete complement. The fully-manned regiment is composed of three battalians of three companies each, with three tanks in each company. The creation of the second regiment is scheduled for the near future. Two AT companies. At present the regiment has only one company. It is equipped with Soviet type antitank material.

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- 18. Armament: six Stalin type 122 tanks, 25 T-34 tanks, four German Tiger tanks.

 During the latest maneuvers on the Black Sea coast, the brigade has taken part
 in the exercises and has proven efficient.
- 19. The Independent Navy-Infantry Battalion: Location: It is housed in the barracks located at the place called Tiglina, on the north bank of the Danube and on the left bank of the Siretul River at their point of confluence, which is two kilometers west of Galati. This battalion is organized the same way as is any other battalion which is part of a navy-infantry regiment. It is similarly equipped and manned. The battalion is under the direct orders of the Navy-Infantry Corps.

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