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FROM : William E. Nelson  
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Intelligence Information Special Report

COUNTRY USSR

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SUBJECT

1. TO&E of a Soviet Motorized Rifle Division
2. Characteristics of Self-Propelled Guns

SOURCE

[ ] Comment: Although source did not so specify, in view of his access, it is probable that the following information on the TO&E of a Soviet motorized rifle division relates to a Soviet Group of Forces motorized rifle division.]

1. A Soviet motorized rifle division includes the following elements:

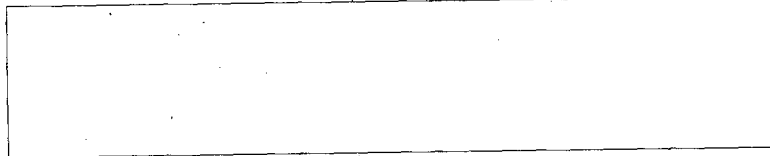
a. Combat units

- three motorized rifle regiments
- a tank regiment
- a separate tank battalion
- an artillery regiment
- a separate missile battalion
- an anti-aircraft artillery regiment
- a separate rocket artillery battalion
- a separate tank-destroyer artillery battalion

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b. Combat support units and sub-units

- a separate reconnaissance battalion
- a separate engineer/combat engineer battalion
- a separate communications battalion
- a separate chemical defense company
- an artillery reconnaissance battery
- a provost and traffic control service company

c. Maintenance units and sub-units

- a separate repair and restoration battalion
- a separate motor vehicle transport battalion
- a separate medical battalion
- a field mechanized bread bakery
- a division centralized depot

d. In addition, there are the editorial staff and printing press of the division newspaper.

2. In all, a Soviet motorized rifle division contains the following weapons and equipment:

- |                             |                                |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| - medium tanks              | -238                           |
| - LUNA M (FROG 7) launchers | - 4                            |
| - guns and mortars          | - 144                          |
| including                   | - 152 mm howitzers-18          |
|                             | - 122 mm howitzers-54          |
|                             | - 120 mm mortars -54           |
|                             | - BM-21 -18                    |
| - antitank means            | - antitank guns -18            |
|                             | - antitank guided missiles -63 |
|                             | - SPG-9 -18                    |
|                             | - RPG-7 -288                   |

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- anti-aircraft means

- 57 mm anti-aircraft gun - 24
- ZSU-57/2 - 4
- ZSU-23/4 - 16
- ZPU-4 - 12
- STRELA-2M (SA-7 GRAIL) - 36 sections,  
each with three missile complexes,  
for 114 (sic) complexes in all

- equipment

- armored personnel carriers - 443
- BRDM reconnaissance vehicles - 37
- artillery tractors - 67
- tank tractors - 17
- miscellaneous motor vehicles - 1826
- motorcycles - 33
- helicopters - 5 to 8
- radio sets - about 500

3. Following are the basic characteristics of the self-propelled artillery pieces:

	122 mm howitzer (GVOZDIKA)	152 mm howitzer (AKATSIYA)
Range	15,200 meters	17,300 meters
Weight	15.7 tons	25.7 tons
Crew	4	4
Basic Load (on board)	40 rounds	40 rounds

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