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1. 4 Motorized Rifle Division, [REDACTED] Nyiregyháza.

a. Headquarters.

Headquarters of the 4 Motorized Infantry Division is located in the Pannonia Hotel and in some requisitioned private dwellings in Nyiregyháza. Formerly, the headquarters of this division was located in the General Gusev Barracks.

Commander of Division: Col. Béla LAKATOS

Deputy Commander: Lt. Col. József VÁRNAI

Chief of Staff: Maj. László BÁTORY

Chief of operational units: Maj. Jenő BUKOVY

b. Subordinate Units.

(1) Motorized Infantry Regiment, [REDACTED]

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(a) Regimental headquarters and three battalions (with about 1,200 men in all) are located in the Infantry Barracks, also known as the Damjanich Barracks, situated on Nagykállói Street in Nyiregyháza.

(b) Separate units are:

Antitank company, with four 76.2 mm. guns and two 37 mm. guns;

Antiaircraft company, with six heavy antiaircraft 12.7 mm. machine guns;

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Support battery, with four 76.2 mm. field guns.

- (c) The mortar companies are armed with caliber 120, 82, and 50 mm. mortars.

The machine gun companies have light machine guns of the Degtyarev type and Maxim machine guns.

- (2) Motorized Infantry Regiment. [redacted] Miskolc. 25X1

The headquarters and subordinate units are stationed in Miskolc in the Rudolf and Szepesi Barracks. Strength and armament are similar to those of the Nyiregyháza regiment.

- (3) Motorized Infantry Regiment. Kisvárdá.

Headquarters and dependent units are stationed in Kisvárdá.

- (4) Motorized Artillery Regiment. [redacted] Nyiregyháza. 25X1

Headquarters and subordinate units are stationed in Nyiregyháza in an installation consisting of wooden barracks on the highway that leads to Kisvárdá. (During the war, this post was a military hospital.)

- (a) Organization and Armament.

1 Group: it is made up of three batteries. Each battery is armed with four 76.2 mm. pieces.

2 Group: also of three batteries. Each battery is armed with four 122 mm. howitzers.

3 Group: organization and armament similar to those of the 2 Group.

Each group also has three sections of antiaircraft machine gunners; each section is armed with two heavy 12.7 mm. antiaircraft machine guns. The overall strength of the regiment is about 1,000 men.

- (b) Regimental Motor Pool.

40 weapon carriers

25 Csepel diesel trucks

2 tank trucks, each with a capacity of 3,000 liters

3 radio cars

1 mobile shop truck

2 passenger cars

6 jeeps

1 ambulance

16 motorcycles

- (5) Medium Caliber Mortar Regiment. [redacted] Nyiregyháza. 25X1

- (a) Headquarters and dependent units are stationed in Nyiregyháza in the former Transportation Barrack, which is now known as the Artillery Barrack of the General Gusev Barracks. Strength: about 700 men. The former

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Huszár and Transportation Barracks on Vasut utca of Nyiregyháza are separated from one another only by a barbed wire fence, and today are known under the name of General Gusev Barracks.

(b) The regiment is organized and armed as follows:

- 1 Mortar Group: with three batteries, each armed with four 82 mm. mortars, and one antiaircraft machine gun platoon with six 12.7 mm. heavy antiaircraft machine guns.
- 2 Mortar Group: with three batteries, each armed with four 120 mm. mortars, and one heavy antiaircraft machine gun platoon with six 12.7 mm. heavy antiaircraft machine guns.

(c) Regimental Motor Pool.

- 24 Gaz trucks with two axles and a capacity of 2.5 tons
- 18 Csepel diesel trucks
- 1 mobile shop truck
- 1 tank truck
- 1 radio car
- 2 passenger cars and 4 jeeps
- 12 motorcycles, of which 6 have sidecars

(6) Mixed Motorized Regiment. [] Nyiregyháza.

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- (a) Headquarters and subordinate units with an overall strength of 800 men, are stationed in the former Huszár Barrack which, together with the Transportation Barrack, is now part of the General Gusev Barracks.
- (b) Armored battalion, armed with twelve T-34/85 tanks and six JS-122 tanks;
- (c) Battalion of self-propelled guns, armed with ten SU-85 and five SU-122 self-propelled guns;
- (d) Motorized reconnaissance company, equipped with 8 Stalinets scout cars.
- (e) 1 Reconnaissance Battalion, []

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The headquarters and dependent units, with the strength of about 400 men, are stationed in the Huszár Barrack of Nyiregyháza.

The battalion is made up of the following units:

Armored company, equipped with ten T-34/85 tanks;

Scout car company, with 12 Stalinets scout cars;

Motorized assault company, consisting of:

one submachine gun platoon; one mortar platoon; one antitank platoon.

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(7) Adjacent to the General Gusev Barracks, the following vehicles are parked:

- 30 Csepel diesel trucks
- 16 weapon carriers
- 3 tank trucks
- 3 mobile shop trucks
- 3 mobile radio transmitters
- 2 ambulances
- 3 passenger cars
- 9 jeeps
- 18 motorcycles with sidecars
- 22 motorcycles

(8) Antitank Group, [redacted] 25X1

This group has an overall strength of about 350 men. It is stationed in the Antiaircraft (Legvédelmi Barracks) of Miskolc. It has three batteries, each with four 76.2 mm. guns.

(9) Antiaircraft Group, [redacted] 25X1

(a) It has a strength of about 240 men and is stationed in the Tokaj pioneer camp.

(b) Organization and Armament:

- 1 Battery, with four 57 mm. antiaircraft guns
- 2 Battery, with four 37 mm. antiaircraft guns
- 3 Battery, with six 12.7 mm. antiaircraft machine guns

(10) Pioneer Battalion, [redacted] 25X1

It has a strength of about 350 men; the headquarters and the dependent units are stationed in the Tokaj pioneer camp.

(11) Signal Battalion, [redacted] 25X1

It has a strength of about 250 men; the headquarters and the units are stationed in barracks on the Nyiregyháza airfield.

(12) Approximately 35 to 40 percent of the personnel of the various units listed above is made up of recruits of the 1933 class. The units of this division were brought up to full strength last year at the end of the maneuvers and with the arrival of the new recruits.

2. 8 Motorized Rifle Division, [redacted] Debrecen. 25X1

a. Headquarters.

Part of the headquarters of the division is stationed in the building of the Army Corps on Péterfalva Street, and part in the Huszar Barracks on Nyugati Street.

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Commander of the division: Col. Antal SZUSZA.

Deputy commander and political officer: Lt. Col. György PÁSZTOR.

b. Subordinate Units.

The division has not been brought up to full strength as yet. It is made up of the following units:

- (1) Motorized infantry regiment, stationed at Debrecen, in the infantry barracks;
- (2) Motorized infantry regiment, stationed at Mezötúr;
- (3) Motorized infantry regiment, stationed at Karcag;
- (4) Motorized artillery regiment, stationed at Debrecen in the Artillery (Tuzer) Barracks;
- (5) Antiaircraft regiment of two groups, stationed at Debrecen in the Anti-aircraft (Legvédelmi) Barracks;
- (6) Reconnaissance battalion, stationed at Debrecen in the Armored (Páncélos) Barracks;
- (7) Motorized transport group, stationed at Debrecen, in the Transportation Barracks;
- (8) Signal Battalion, stationed at Debrecen, in the Huszár Barracks.

3. Artillery Regiment. [redacted] Budapest.

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Headquarters of this regiment is located in the Vilmos Barracks, on Róbert Károly Street. It is made up of two groups, and each group has three batteries. Each battery is armed with four 152-mm guns. All the artillery regiments armed with guns whose caliber is in excess of 122-mm. are no longer part of infantry divisions, but belong to army corps artillery. It is thought that the above regiment belongs to the Ercsi Artillery Brigade.

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4. Border Guard Unit Locations.

a. At Kistelek, (Y7/000), on the Szeged-Kiskunfélegyháza State highway, there is stationed a battalion of AVH border guards, [redacted] which is undergoing training with a strength of about 300 men. This battalion is subordinate to the district headquarters of the border guards at Szeged.

b. A border guard battalion is stationed at Mándok (R49/K99).

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