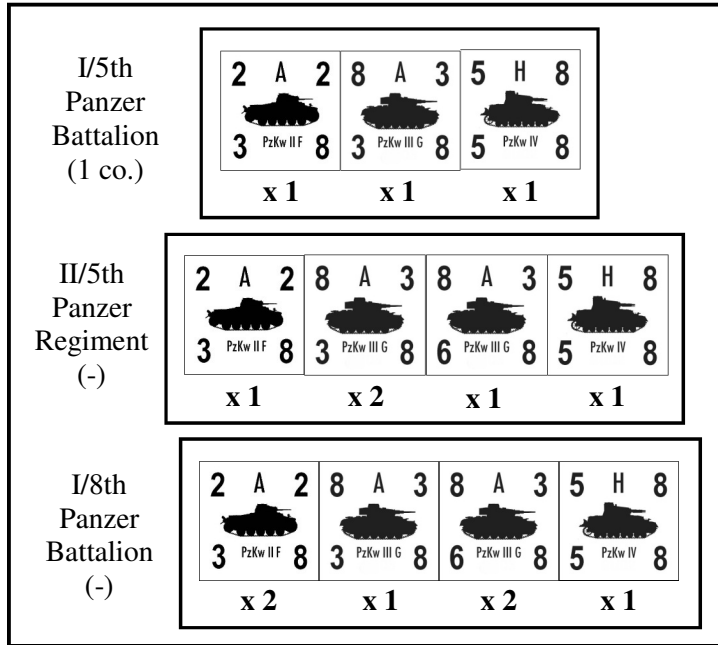


Operation Skorpion German Forces

May 26, 1941

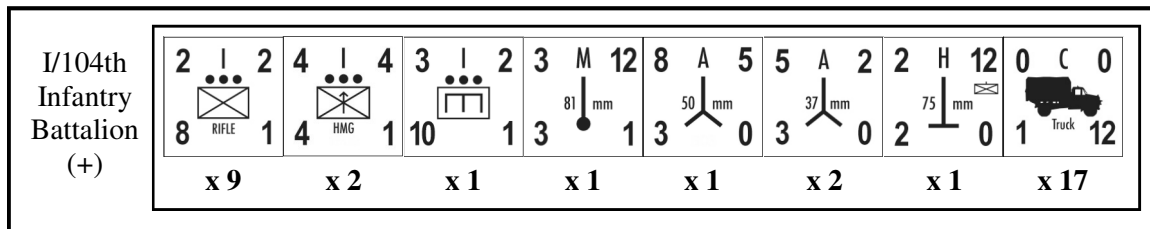
Kampfgruppe von Herff

Panzergruppe Cramer

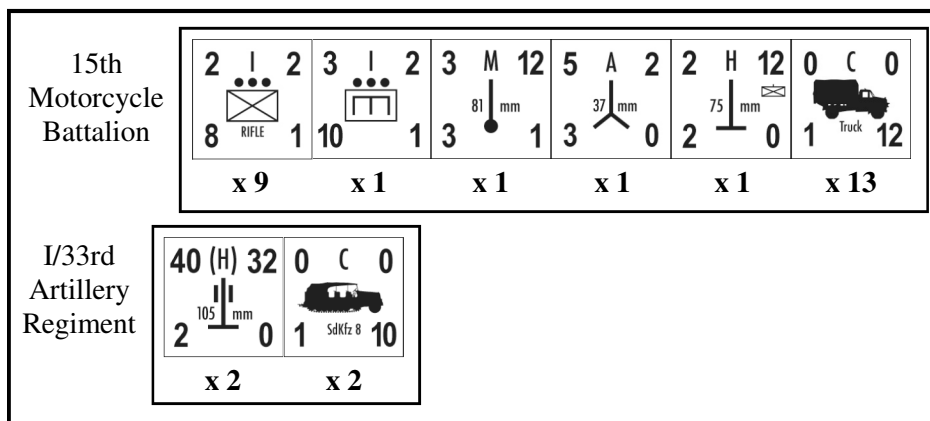


Operation Skorpion was the Axis counterattack executed just after Operation Brevity. The objective was to retake Halfaya Pass from the Allies and stabilize the Sollum Front. A Kampfgruppe commanded by von Herff was created for the task which was further divided into four other groups. While the recon units in Gruppe Wechmar scouted enemy positions and guarded the southern flank, the other three groups converged on the pass, driving the Coldstream Guards out and putting the pass firmly into German hands on the morning of May 27.

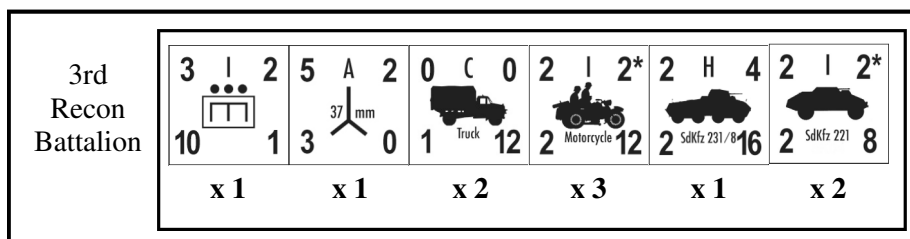
Gruppe Bach



Stossgruppe Knabe



Gruppe Wechmar



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