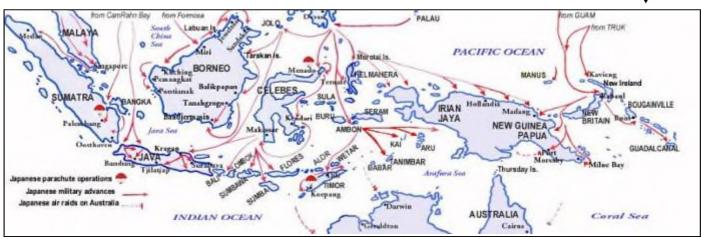
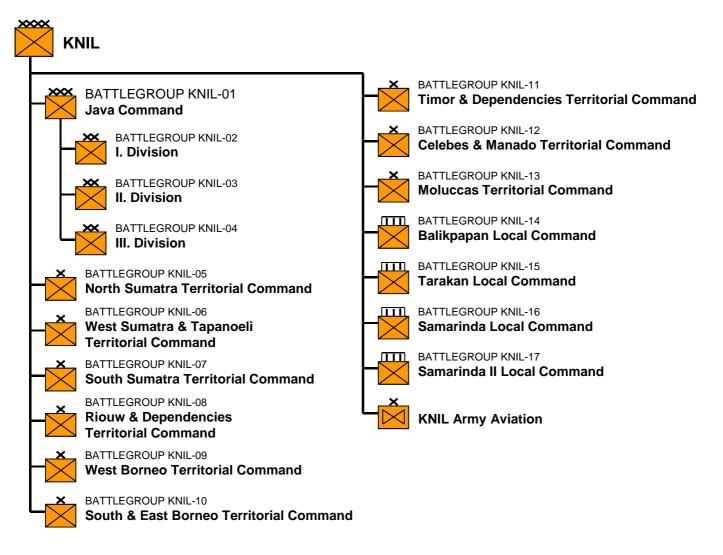
Koninklijk Nederlands Indisch Leger (KNIL) The Royal Army of the Dutch East Indies 1941-42



TO&Es & Orders of Battle for Battlefront: WWII v1.1 By R Mark Davies







I. Division (ab)

Command HQ x1 Commandant KNIL-15

Transport

x1 Bantam GP Blitzbuggy (no MG) KNIL-09

x3 Infanterie

Transport KNIL-P12

KNIL-14

x2 Chevy 1.5 ton Truck

x1 Chevy Luchtdociafweergeschut KNIL-08

BATTLEGROUPS

BATTLEGROUP KNIL-18 x2 Infantry Regiment (c)

BATTLEGROUP KNIL-19 x1 Mobile Battalion (d)

> **BATTLEGROUP KNIL-20** x1 Cavalry Regiment (-) (e)

BATTLEGROUP KNIL-22 x2 Landstorm Battalion (f)

MANOEUVRE ELEMENTS MANOEUVRE ELEMENT KNIL-06

x1 Independent Recce Company MANOEUVRE ELEMENT KNIL-06

x1 Independent Recce Squadron

MANOEUVRE ELEMENT KNIL-18 x6 Engineer Company

> MANOEUVRE ELEMENT KNIL-15 x2 Medium Anti-Aircraft Battery

MANOEUVRE ELEMENT KNIL-16 x3 Heavy Anti-Aircraft Battery

FIRE SUPPORT ELEMENTS

FIRE SUPPORT ELEMENT KNIL-01 x1 Field Artillery Battalion

FIRE SUPPORT ELEMENT KNIL-03 x1 Light Artillery Battalion

> FIRE SUPPORT ELEMENT KNIL-05 x1 Mountain Artillery Battalion

ATTACHMENTS

x4 Chevy 12.7mm SP AAMG KNIL-P10

x1 Rheinmetall 20mm AA Gun KNIL-P02

Transport

x1 Chevy 1.5 ton Truck KNIL-P12

- (a) I. Division formed was one of three divisions forming the core of the KNIL Java Command. Based in western Java, I. Division was the strongest of the three, having the KNIL's only tank battalion and armoured cavalry regiment, as well as the strongest infantry and artillery elements.
- (b) Approximately seven coastal defence artillery batteries (mainly 75mm, with some 50mm and 120mm calibre) also came under the command of I. Division, as well as approximately six fixed anti-aircraft batteries assigned to the defence of the coastal artillery (mainly 12.7mm & 40mm, with some 80mm & 20mm). However, these fall outside the scope of these TO&Es, so are not listed here.
- (c) I. Division contained the 1st & 2nd Infantry Regiments. The 1st Regiment was unusual in that it had four Infantry Battalions.
- (d) The Mobile Battalion was the KNIL's only major armoured unit.
- (e) The 1st Cavalry Regiment had detached several squadrons to other commands: Division. The 4th and Life Guards Squadrons were placed under the command of 'Group South' in II. Division, while the 3rd and 6th Squadrons were placed under the command of III. Division.
- (f) The I & IV Landstorm Battalions (also known as 'Militie') were placed under the command of I. Division. These were militia battalions with minimal heavy weapons and transport. Some Landstorm battalions even contained companies of retired soldiers (average age 50), who in some battles were noted by the Japanese for their remarkable fighting spirit!



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BATTLEGROUP KNIL-03

II. Division (ab)



BATTLEGROUPS



BATTLEGROUP KNIL-18 x1 Infantry Regiment (c)



BATTLEGROUP KNIL-22 x3 Landstorm Battalion (e)



BATTLEGROUP
Tjilatjap Brigade (f)



BATTLEGROUP KNIL-21 **x1 Infantry Battalion** (g)



MANOEUVRE ELEMENT KNIL-19

Stadswacht Company (h)

ATTACHMENTS



x1 Chevy 12.7mm SP AAMG KNIL-P10



BATTLEGROUP Group South (i)



BATTLEGROUP KNIL-21 **x1 Infantry Battalion**



MANOEUVRE ELEMENT KNIL-03

x2 Cavalry Squadron (Mechanised)



FIRE SUPPORT ELEMENT KNIL-06 **x1 Mountain Artillery Battery**

MANOEUVRE ELEMENTS



MANOEUVRE ELEMENT KNIL-08

x1 Independent Armoured Car Platoon

FIRE SUPPORT ELEMENTS



FIRE SUPPORT ELEMENT KNIL-05 x1 Mountain Artillery Battalion (-) (d)

- (a) II. Division formed was one of three divisions forming the core of the KNIL Java Command. II. Division was considerably weaker than the other two divisions and was sorely lacking in all combat support arms artillery, AA, engineers, etc.
- **(b)** Approximately eleven coastal defence artillery batteries (mainly 75mm, with some 70mm, 105mm and 180mm calibre) also came under the command of II. Division. However, these fall outside the scope of these TO&Es, so are not listed here.
- (c) II. Division contained the 4th Infantry Regiment. Note that the regimental AA/AT Company only had x2 47mm Anti-Tank Guns.
- (d) The Mountain Artillery Battalion was missing one battery, which had been detached to Group South (see below).
- **(e)** The III, V & VI Landstorm Battalions (also known as 'Militie') were placed under the command of II. Division. These were militia battalions with minimal heavy weapons and transport. Some Landstorm battalions even contained companies of retired soldiers (average age 50), who in some battles were noted by the Japanese for their remarkable fighting spirit!
- (f) The Tjilatjap Brigade was assigned to defend the vital port of Tjilatjap, on the central southern coast of Java. It also contained four coastal defence artillery batteries (three with 75mm and one with 150mm guns). However, these fall outside the sope of these TORES
- (g) The Tjilatjap Brigade had a composite infantry battalion, formed from various units. However, the Infantry Companies lacked their 20mm anti-tank rifle sections there was only x1 20mm ATR section attached to the MG Company. The battalion MG Company also had only x1 81mm Mortar.
- (h) The Tjilitjap Stadswacht Company had only ${\bf x6}$ Infantry and lacked Overvalwagens.
- (i) Group South was assigned to defend the towns of Soerkarta and Jogjakarta. It comprised an infantry battalion, the 4th & Life Guards Squadrons of the 1st Cavalry Regiment and one battery from the divisional mountain artillery battalion.





III. Division (a)

Command

x1 Commandant

KNIL-15

Transport

x1 Bantam GP Blitzbuggy (no MG)

KNIL-09 KNIL-14

x3 Infanterie

Transport

x2 Chevy 1.5 ton Truck

KNIL-P12

x1 Chevy Luchtdociafweergeschut

KNIL-08

BATTLEGROUPS



BATTLEGROUP KNIL-18 x1 Infantry Regiment (b)



BATTLEGROUP KNIL-22 x2 Landstorm Battalion (-) (c)



BATTLEGROUP
Soerabaja Defence Zone (d)



BATTLEGROUP KNIL-23 x1 Marine Infantry Battalion (e)



BATTLEGROUP KNIL-22 x1 Landstorm Battalion (f)



MANOEUVRE ELEMENT KNIL-15

x1 Medium Anti-Aircraft Battery



MANOEUVRE ELEMENT KNIL-16 x2 Heavy Anti-Aircraft Battery



x1 Rheinmetall 20mm AA Gun

KNIL-P02

Transport

x1 Chevy 1.5 ton Truck

KNIL-P12



BATTLEGROUP

Madoera Island Detachment



BATTLEGROUP KNIL-21 **x4 Infantry Battalion (-)** (g)



FIRE SUPPORT ELEMENT KNIL-04

x1 Light Artillery Battery (+) (h)



BATTLEGROUP

Bali Island Detachment (i)



BATTLEGROUP KNIL-21 **x1 Infantry Battalion** (j)

FIRE SUPPORT ELEMENTS



FIRE SUPPORT ELEMENT KNIL-03 x1 Light Artillery Battalion



MANOEUVRE ELEMENTS



MANOEUVRE ELEMENT KNIL-03 x1 Cavalry Squadron (Mechanised)



MANOEUVRE ELEMENT KNIL-04

x1 Cavalry Squadron (Overvalwagen)



MANOEUVRE ELEMENT KNIL-08

x1 Independent Armoured Car Platoon

(a) III. Division was one of three divisions forming the core of the KNIL Java Command. Unusually it also had responsibility for offshore detachments on the islands of Bali and Madoera.

(b) III. Division contained the 6th Infantry Regiment. However, two of its battalions (VIII & XIII Infantry Battalions) lacked one or two companies from their order of battle.

(c) Two Landstorm Battalions (also known as 'Militie') were placed directly under the command of III. Division. These were militia battalions with minimal heavy weapons and transport. Note that these two battalions each lacked a company or two from their order of battle. Note that I have been unable to positively identify these units; one source, lists them as the I & III Landstorm Battalions, yet these battalions are also listed as being present with other formations.

(d) The Soerabaja Defence Zone also included approximately twelve coastal defence artillery batteries (mainly 75mm & 150mm, with some 120mm & 180mm calibre guns) which fall outside the scope of these TO&Es. There were also approximately five batteries of 12.7mm, 20mm, 40mm and 105mm anti-aircraft guns assigned to protecting these fixed coastal defences.

(e) The Marine Battalion was an amalgamation of regulars, reservists and Naval Guard companies.

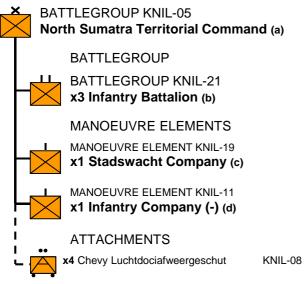
(f) The II Landstorm Battalion was assigned to the Soerabaja Defence Zone.

(g) The four battalions of the Madoera Detachment (titled the 'Barisan Regiment') each had only two infantry companies and no heavy weapons.

(h) The Madoera Detachment artillery battery was positioned in static defences and had no transport, but had **x4** guns – twice the usual number.

(i) The Bali Island Detachment also had a 105mm coastal artillery battery, but this falls outside the scope of these TO&Es.

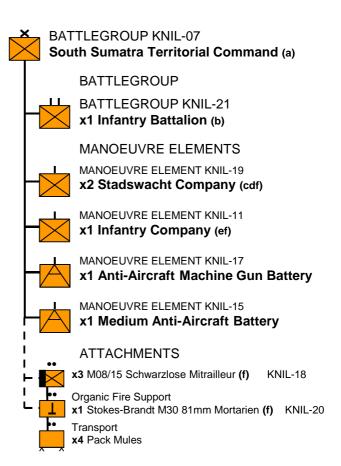
(j) The Bali Detachment infantry battalion (titled 'Korps Prajoeda') had x4 Infantry Companies and no heavy weapons.



- (a) The North Sumatra Territorial Command also included approximately four coastal defence artillery batteries (of 70mm & 75mm calibre). However, these fall outside the scope of these TO&Es.
- (b) Two of the three battalions were the 1st & 2nd North Sumatra Garrison Infantry Battalions. I don't know how well-served with heavy weapons these battalions were, or even if they had MG Companies. The third battalion is described as a 'Composite' Battalion and was probably a mixture of regular/garrison infantry companies and Landstorm companies. Again, I don't know if this unit had heavy weapons.
- (c) No Overvalwagens are listed for this company.
- (d) This independent infantry company only has x6 Infantry. It is not clear if this company is regular Army or Landstorm.



- (a) These battalions were designated as the 1st & 2nd West Sumatra & Tapanoeli Garrison Infantry Battalions. I don't know how well-served with heavy weapons these battalions were, or even if they had MG Companies.
- (b) No Overvalwagens are listed for these companies.
- (d) This independent infantry company only has x6 Infantry. It is not clear if this company is regular Army or Landstorm.



- **(a)** The South Sumatra Territorial Command also included approximately two coastal defence artillery batteries (of 75mm calibre). However, these fall outside the scope of these TO&Es.
- **(b)** The South Sumatra Garrison Infantry Battalion was definitely equipped with heavy weapons, as **x8** HMGs and **x3** 81mm Mortars are listed for this unit (presumably massed in a battalion MG Company). However, there is no mention of 20mm Anti-Tank Rifles.
- (c) x2 Overvalwagens are listed for the Palembang Stadswacht Company. However, no Overvalwagens are listed for the Djambi Stadswacht Company.
- (d) The Djambi Stadswacht Company was a mixed regular Army/volunteer reserve Stadswacht unit.
- (e) This independent infantry company was based at Djambi. It is not clear if this was a regular Army or Landstorm unit.
- (f) These HMGs and 81mm Mortars belonged to the Djambi Detachment, so were were shared between the Djambi Infantry Company and the Djambi Stadswacht Company.



Riouw & Dependencies Territorial Command

BATTLEGROUP



BATTLEGROUP KNIL-21 **x1 Infantry Battalion** (a)

MANOEUVRE ELEMENTS



MANOEUVRE ELEMENT KNIL-11 **x2 Infantry Company (b)**

- (a) This battalion was designated as the Riouw & Dependencies Garrison Infantry Battalion. I don't know how well-served with heavy weapons this battalion was, or even if they had an MG Company.
- (b) These two companies are both Landstorm Companies.



BATTLEGROUP KNIL-09 West Borneo Territorial Command

BATTLEGROUP



BATTLEGROUP KNIL-21 **x1 Infantry Battalion (a)**

MANOEUVRE ELEMENTS



MANOEUVRE ELEMENT KNIL-19

x1 Stadswacht Company (b)



MANOEUVRE ELEMENT KNIL-19

x2 Independent Stadswacht Platoons



MANOEUVRE ELEMENT KNIL-14 x1 Light Anti-Aircraft Battery



MANOEUVRE ELEMENT KNIL-02

x1 Independent Light Tank Platoon

- (a) This battalion was designated as the West Borneo Garrison Infantry Battalion. The unit is recorded as having **x4** HMGs and **x2** 81mm Mortars, but there is no mention of 20mm Anti-Tank Rifles. The unit is also recorded as having **x1** Overvalwagen.
- **(b)** The Stadswacht Company is recorded as having **x1** Overvalwagen.



BATTLEGROUP KNIL-10 South & East Borneo Territorial Command

BATTLEGROUP



BATTLEGROUP KNIL-21 **x1 Infantry Battalion (a)**

MANOEUVRE ELEMENTS



MANOEUVRE ELEMENT KNIL-19 x2 Stadswacht Company (b)



MANOEUVRE ELEMENT KNIL-19

x3 Independent Stadswacht Platoons



ATTACHMENTS



x1 Chevy Luchtdociafweergeschut

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- **(a)** This battalion was designated as the South & East Borneo Garrison Infantry Battalion. The only heavy weapons section recorded for this unit is **x1** HMG. The battalion probably therefore had a fourth Infantry Company in lieu of an MG Company.
- **(b)** One of the two Stadswacht Companies is recorded as having **x1** Overvalwagen.



BATTLEGROUP KNIL-11

Timor & Dependencies Territorial Command

BATTLEGROUP



BATTLEGROUP KNIL-21 **x1 Infantry Battalion** (a)

MANOEUVRE ELEMENTS



MANOEUVRE ELEMENT KNIL-19 x1 Stadswacht Company (b)

(a) This battalion was designated as the Timor & Dpendencies
Garrison Infantry Battalion. Heavy weapons for the battalion are

recorded as x4 HMGs. There is no mention of 20mm Anti-Tank

Rifles or 81mm Mortars. The battalion is also recorded as having

x1 Overvalwagen.(b) This company is actually a composite company made up of

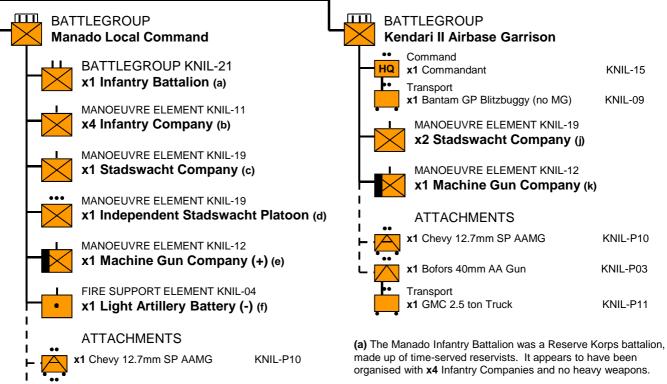
Stadswacht, Reserve Korps and Militie.





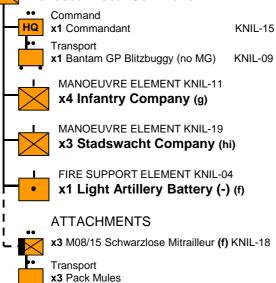
Celebes & Manado Territorial Command

BATTLEGROUPS



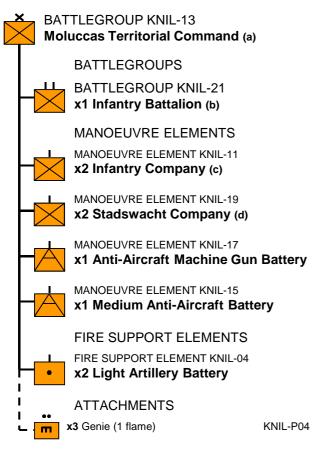
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BATTLEGROUP Makassar Local Command

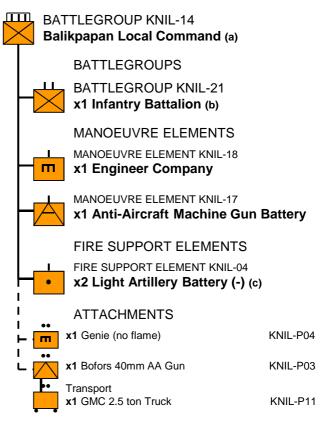


x1 Naval 37mm Overvalwagen

- (b) The four independent infantry companies of the Manado Command comprised a regular Army garrison company, a company of army pensioners (average age 50), a European Militie/Landstorm company and a native Militie company.
- (c) No Overvalwagens are listed for the Manado Stadswacht Company.
- (d) The Independent Stadswacht Platoon was organised as a mobile column, with x2 Overvalwagen.
- (e) The Manado MG Company had x5 HMGs and x2 81mm Mortars.
- (f) The Manado and Makassar Light Artillery Batteries each had only x1 75mm gun.
- (g) The four independent infantry companies of the Makassar Command comprised a regular Army garrison company, a Reserve Korps company, a company of army pensioners, and a Militie/Landstorm company.
- (h) One of the three Makassar Stadswacht Companies was organised as a Mobile Column, equipped with motor transport. There might have been some Overvalwagens present, but none
- (i) One of the two 'leg' Makassar Stadswacht Companies had x18 Infantry, but these were organised as independent 'guerrilla' squads, scattered over a wide geographical area.
- (j) The Kendari Stadswacht Companies each had x10 Infantry and x1 Overvalwagen.
- (k) The Kendari MG Company had x3 HMG and x3 81mm Mortar.

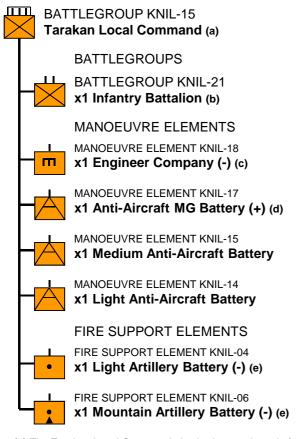


- (a) The Moluccas Territorial Command also had approximately four coastal defence artillery batteries under command (with 37mm, 70mm, 75mm & 150mm guns). However, these are outside the scope of these TO&Es.
- **(b)** The Moluccan Garrison Infantry Battalion had an MG Company with **x5** HMG and **x3** 81mm Mortar. The battalion also had **x2** Overvalwagens.
- **(c)** The two independent infantry companies were formed from Reserve Korps men.
- (d) No Overvalwagens are listed for the two Moluccan Stadswacht Companies.



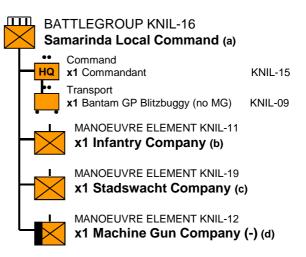
- (a) The Balikpapan Local Command also had approximately three coastal defence artillery batteries under command (with 75mm & 120mm guns). However, these are outside the scope of these TO&Es.
- **(b)** The regular VI Infantry Battalion was assigned to the Balikpapan Local Command. Its MG Company was boosted to an impressive **x12** HMG and **x4** 81mm Mortar. The battalion also had **x1** Overvalwagen.
- (c) The two Light Artillery Batteries each have only x1 75mm gun.



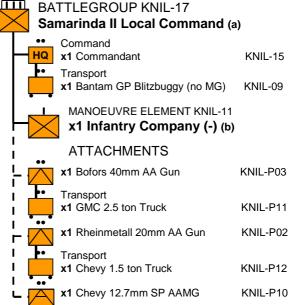


- (a) The Tarakan Local Command also had approximately four coastal defence artillery batteries under command (with 37mm, 75mm & 120mm guns). However, these are outside the scope of these TO&Es.
- (b) The regular VII Infantry Battalion was assigned to the Balikpapan Local Command. Its MG Company was boosted to an impressive x12 HMG and x4 81mm Mortar. The battalion also had a sizeable armoured transport element, with x3 Overvalwagen.
- (c) The Engineer Company is missing a platoon and therefore has only **x6** Engineers (flame).
- (d) The Anti-Aircraft Machine Gun Battery has x4 12.7mm AAMGs.
- (e) The two Artillery Batteries each have only x1 gun.

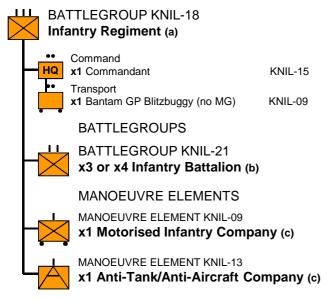




- (a) The Samarinda Local Command also had a single coastal defence artillery battery under command (with 75mm guns). However, these are outside the scope of these TO&Es.
- **(b)** The Samarinda Garrison Infantry Company appears to have been supplied by the regular Army.
- (c) The Stadswacht Company had x1 Overvalwagen.
- (d) The Machine Gun Company had x2 HMGs and x2 81mm Mortars.



- (a) The Samarinda II Local Command was formed to garrison the Samarinda II airbase.
- (b) The Samarinda II Garrison Infantry Company was formed from Militie and had only ${\bf x5}$ Infantry.



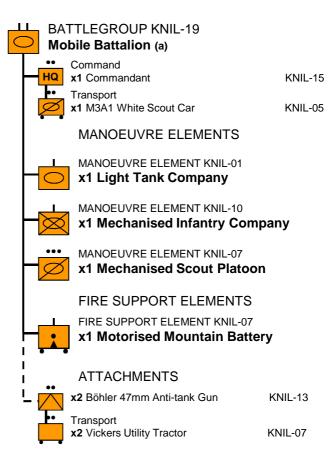
(a) KNIL Infantry Regiments were distributed as follows:

 1st Infantry Regiment – I. Division, Java
 2nd Infantry Regiment – I. Division, Java
 4th Infantry Regiment – II. Division, Java
 6th Infantry Regiment – III. Division, Java

 Other numbered regiments existed in peacetime, but these had been broken up to provide regular KNIL Army 'backbone' to the

various Territorial and Local Commands.

- **(b)** 1st Regt had **x4** battalions (X, XI, XII & XIV). 2nd Regt had **x3** battalions (IV, IX & XV). 4th Regt had **x3** battalions (I, II & V). 6th Regt had **x3** battalions (III, VIII & XIII note that VIII & XIII Battalions were understrength; probably due to having companies detached to other commands).
- (c) The regimental Motorised Company was always numbered as the 10th Company in each regiment. The rifle companies in the battalions were numbered sequentially through the regiment (the first battalion had 1-3, the second battalion had 4-6, the third battalion had 7-9 and the fourth battalion had 11-13). The battalion MG Companies and regimental AT/AA Company were not numbered.



(a) The KNIL Mobile Battalion was the only major tank unit in the KNIL. It was based in Java, being placed under the command of I. Division.





- (a) The KNIL 1st Cavalry Regiment was based on Java. However, it was split up in order to provide each of the three Java-based divisions with cavalry support. The main part of the regiment, comprising the Regimental Headquarters, 1st (Mech), 2nd (Mech) and 5th (Horsed) Squadrons were placed under the command of I. Division. The 4th (Mech) and Life Guards (Mech) Squadrons were placed under the command of 'Group South' in II. Division. The 3rd (Mech) and 6th (Overvalwagen) Squadrons were placed under the command of III. Division.
- (b) The 1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th Squadrons were organised identically; each with a troop of Alvis-Straussler AC3D Armoured Cars, Recce Troops in Jeeps and a Machine Gun Troop in White Scout cars. However, there weren't enough Alvis-Strausslers to go around, so the Life Guards Squadron instead had additional White Scout Cars.
- (c) The 6th Squadron was a late addition, being equipped with locally-manufactured Braat Overvalwagens.



- (a) Given the rapid nature of the KNIL's mobilisation prior to war, it is entirely possible that many units did not reach their full strength. It is also possible that many did not receive their full allocation of heavy weapons. Some units particularly Garrison Infantry Battalions did not have an MG Company and instead had a fourth Infantry Company.
- **(b)** The Battalion Commander unit may mount horses, in which case replace with :

Cavalerie KNIL-P08

(c) A very few battalions received some Overvalwagens. May therefore add:

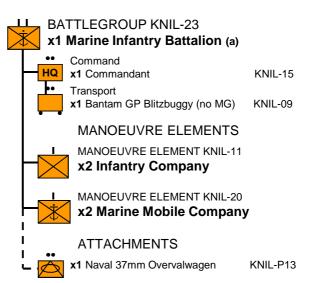
x1 to x3 Braat Overvalwagen APC KNIL-06



- (a) Landstorm, along with Reserve Korps and Militie Battalions, were low-grade local defence units with no weapons heavier than LMGs.
- (b) The Battalion Commander unit may mount horses, in which case replace with :

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- (a) The Light Tank Company may be broken up into platoon-sized MEs, each of x3 tanks of the same type. Designate one tank in each platoon as the platoon commander.
- (b) The KNIL had sufficient Marmon-Herrington CTLS 4TAC & CTLS 4TAY light tanks in Java to form a second company comprising x6 to x8 tanks. However it does not appear to have done so. It is not therefore clear what happened to the remaining KNIL tanks (aside from a small platoon of Vickers Carden-Loyd tanks known to have been used in western Borneo).
- (c) The KNIL used both 4TAC and 4TAY versions of the Marmon-Herrington CTLS light tank. While the two looked guite different, the two types are identical in game terms, so the same card (KNIL-02) is used for both.



MANOEUVRE ELEMENT KNIL-03

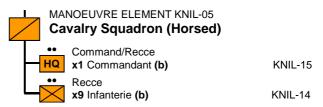


- (a) The Mechanised Cavalry Squadron may alternatively be split into troop-sized Manoeuvre Elements. Two Recce Troops are formed by splitting the LMGs and Blitzbuggies in two designate one LMG unit in each troop as the Troop Commander. An MG Troop is formed from the HMGs and White Scout Cars - designate one HMG as the Troop Commander. The single AC3D forms an Armoured Car Troop (self-commanded).
- (b) In the Life Guards Squadron, replace the Alvis-Straussler AC3D Armoured Car with: M3A1 White Scout Car KNIL-05

(c) As all vehicles in the KNIL Cavalry Squadrons were bristling with machine guns, there is no requirement to disarm a vehicle when the transported MGs dismount.



(a) The Cavalry Squadron may be split into three troop-sized Manoeuvre Elements, each of x3 Infantry and x2 Overvalwagen. Designate an Infantry unit in each troop as the Troop Commander.

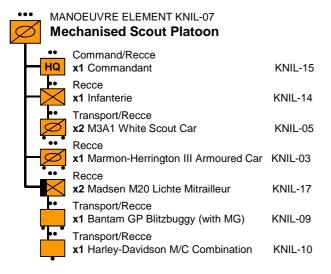


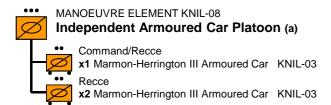
- (a) The Cavalry Squadron may be split into three troop-sized Manoeuvre Elements, each of x3 Infantry/Cavalry. Designate an Infantry unit in each troop as the Troop Commander.
- (b) Commander and Infantry may mount horses, in which case replace with: Cavalerie

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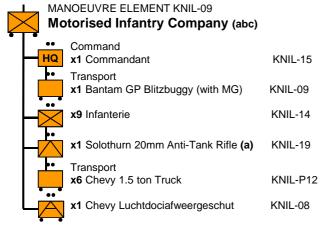


- (a) Two such units were formed at the Armoured Training Unit in Bandoeng in western Java. The first was manned by the Cavalry and was designated as a 'Squadron', while the other was manned by the Infantry and was probably therefore designated as a 'Company'. It is not clear where these served, but as Bandoeng was within I. Division's area of responsibility, it seems reasonably likely that they were attached to that formation
- (b) The Squadron/Company may alternatively be split into troopsized Manoeuvre Elements. Armoured Car Troops have x2 Marmon-Herrington Armoured Cars – designate one car in each troop as the Troop Commander. A Recce Troop is formed from x3 LMGs and x3 Blitzbuggies- designate one LMG unit as the Troop Commander. A Motorcycle Troop is formed from x3 LMGs and x3 motorcycles - designate one LMG unit as the Troop Commander.





(a) At least two independent Armoured Car Platoons were formed, equipped with Marmon-Herringtons. One was stationed in central Java (possibly with II. Division) and the other was in eastern Java (possibly with III. Division).



- (a) Given the rapid nature of the KNIL's mobilisation prior to war, it is entirely possible that many units did not reach their full strength. It is also possible that many did not receive their full allocation of heavy weapons.
- (b) The 'paper' organisation for KNIL infantry companies also lists a Brandt-Stokes 47mm light mortar section in each platoon. However, as the Japanese only captured five pre-production models of this weapon, it's reasonably safe to assume that this weapon was never issued.





- (a) Given the rapid nature of the KNIL's mobilisation prior to war, it is entirely possible that many units did not reach their full strength. It is also possible that many did not receive their full allocation of heavy weapons. It is highly unlikely that any Garrison, Marine, Landstorm, Reserve Korps, Army Pensioner or Militie Companies received anti-tank rifles.
- **(b)** The 'paper' organisation for KNIL infantry companies also lists a Brandt-Stokes 47mm light mortar section in each platoon. However, as the Japanese only captured five pre-production models of this weapon, it's reasonably safe to assume that this weapon was never issued.
- (c) The VI. Battalion (at Tarakan, Borneo) and the VII. Battalion (at Balikpapan, Borneo) received a double-helping of Madsen LMGs. May therefore add:

x1 Madsen M20 Lichte Mitrailleur KNIL-17



- (a) Elements (or all) of the MG Company may be broken up as individual unit attachments to other MEs in the battalion. However, note that given the rapid nature of the KNIL's mobilisation prior to war, it is entirely possible that many units did not receive their full allocation of heavy weapons.
- **(b)** The VI. Battalion (at Tarakan, Borneo) and the VII. Battalion (at Balikpapan, Borneo) received a double-helping of HMGs. May therefore add:

x6 M08/15 Schwarzlose Mitrailleur KNIL-18

MANOEUVRE ELEMENT KNIL-13 Anti-Tank/Anti-Aircraft Company (a) Command HQ x1 Commandant KNIL-15 Transport x1 Bantam GP Blitzbuggy (no MG) KNIL-09 x3 Böhler 47mm Anti-tank Gun (d) KNIL-13 Transport x3 Vickers Utility Tractor KNII -07 x3 Chevy 12.7mm SP AAMG (bcd) KNIL-P10

(a) Elements (or all) of the AT/AA Company may be broken up as individual unit attachments to other MEs in the battalion.

(b) May dismount the machine gun as:

Colt 12.7mm Luchtafweer Mitrailleur KNIL-P01

(c) Some units were equipped with 7.7mm machine guns. May therefore replace with:

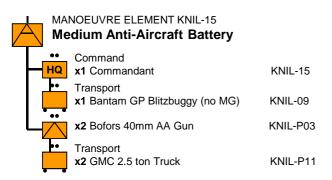
Chevy 7.7mm Luchtdociafweergeschut

KNIL-08

(d) In 1st Regiment (I. Division), add x1 47mm AT gun and AAMG, plus transport. In 4th Regiment (II. Division), delete x1 47mm AT gun.



(a) In a very few Java-based batteries, replace Chevy trucks with: Vickers Utility Tractor KNIL-07







(a) AAMG Companies were frequently split up into platoon-sized detachments. May therefore split this ME into individual unit attachments.

(b) May dismount the machine gun as:

Colt 12.7mm Luchtafweer Mitrailleur KNIL-P01

(c) Some units were equipped with 7.7mm machine guns. May therefore replace with:

Chevy 7.7mm Luchtdociafweergeschut KNIL-08



MANOEUVRE ELEMENT KNIL-19 Stadswacht Company (a)

Command
x1 Commandant
x9 Infanterie

(a) Stadswacht were volunteer reservist 'Home Guard' units. These were usually organised into company-sized units (with occasional independent squads and platoons). One or two platoons in a company were frequently motorised as a rapid-response/anti-paratroop force, while a very few companies were

Up to x1 Chevy Luchtdociafweergeschut KNIL-08

KNIL-15

KNIL-14

fully motorised as 'mobile columns'. It was also common for Stadswacht Companies to have **x1 to x3** Overvalwagen. May therefore motorise some or all of the unit with:

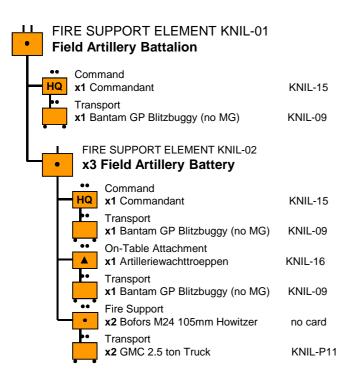
Bantam GP Blitzbuggy KNIL-09
Chevy 1.5 ton Truck KNIL-12
GMC 2.5 ton Truck KNIL-11
Stadswacht Overvalwagen (b) use KNIL-06

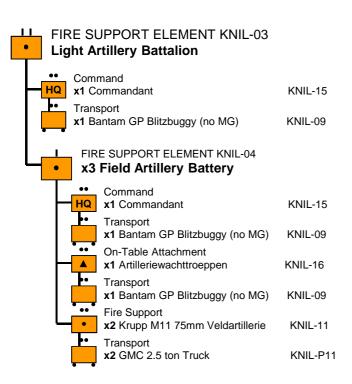
(b) Note that Stadswacht Overvalwagens were very different in appearance to the Braat Overvalwagen used by the regular Army. They looked very much like a wheeled Sdkfz 251. Nevertheless, they are exactly the same in game terms, so use card KNIL-06.

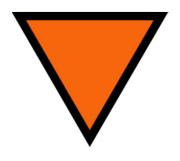
MANOEUVRE ELEMENT KNIL-20 **Marine Mobile Company**

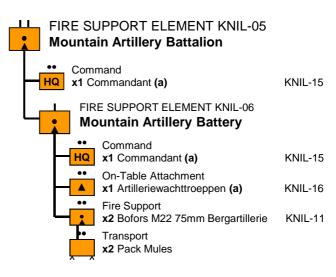
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HQ	Command x1 Commandant	KNIL-15
	Transport x1 Bantam GP Blitzbuggy (no MG)	KNIL-09
	x9 Infanterie	KNIL-14
••	Transport/Recce x2 Braat Overvalwagen APC	KNIL-06
	Transport x2 Chevy 1.5 ton Truck	KNIL-P12
	Transport x3 Bantam GP Blitzbuggy (with MG)	KNIL-09
	x1 Chevy Luchtdociafweergeschut	KNIL-08



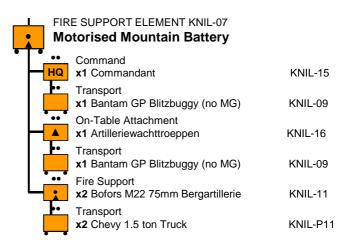








(a) May exchange Commander and/or FO for:
Cavalerie
KNIL-P08
However, note that FO may not call for fire while mounted on horseback.



General Note on KNIL Artillery

KNIL artillery methods were modelled on the German system, so use the German Call For Fire Table.

However, note that radios were in incredibly short supply, so it might be a good idea to restrict calling for fire to Battalion Commanders, motorised Company Commanders and those who start a game dug in and can therefore be presumed to have laid telephone cables.

KNIL Air Support

As in the Japanese Army of the period, tactical close air support was a brand-new concept and rarely attempted or co-ordinated with any great success. However, the following aircraft types did occasionally attempt close air support of KNIL ground forces:

Brewster B339 Buffalo	KNIL-P06
Curtiss Hawk 75A-7	KNIL-P07
RAF/KNIL Hurricane Mk IIb (no bombing capability)	14A-26
RAF Buffalo Mk I	BR-P88
RAAF Buffalo Mk I	AU-P07
RAAF Wirraway Mk I	AU-P03
RAAF Kittyhawk Mk I	AU-P05
USAAF P-40E Warhawk	US-P10