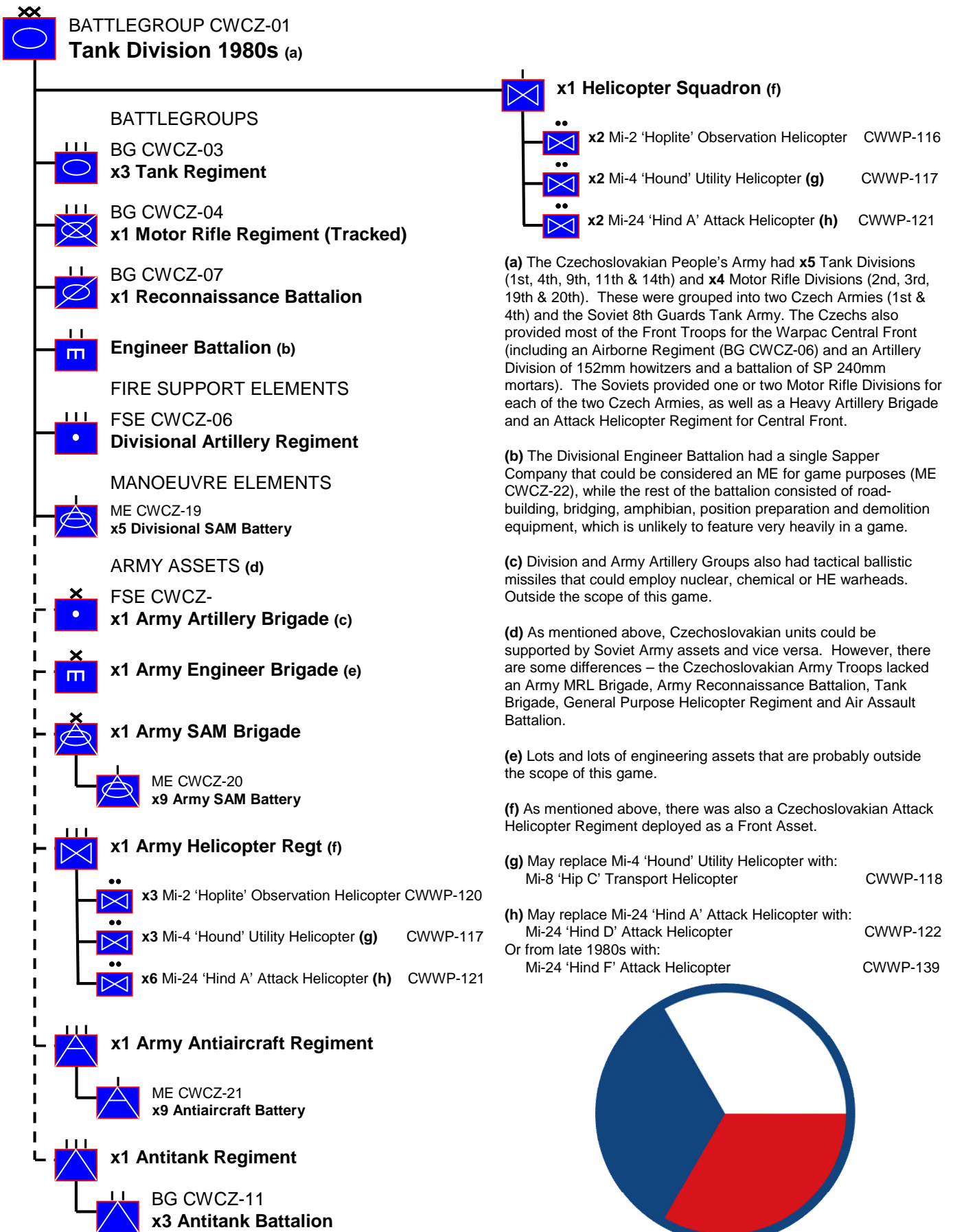


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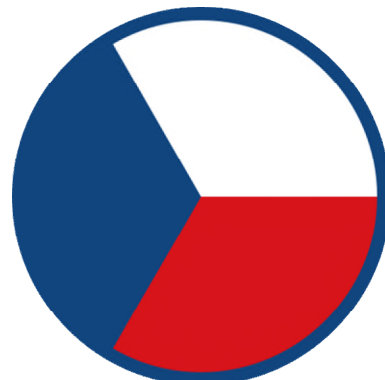
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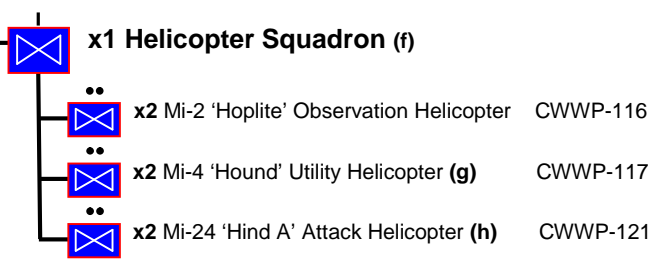
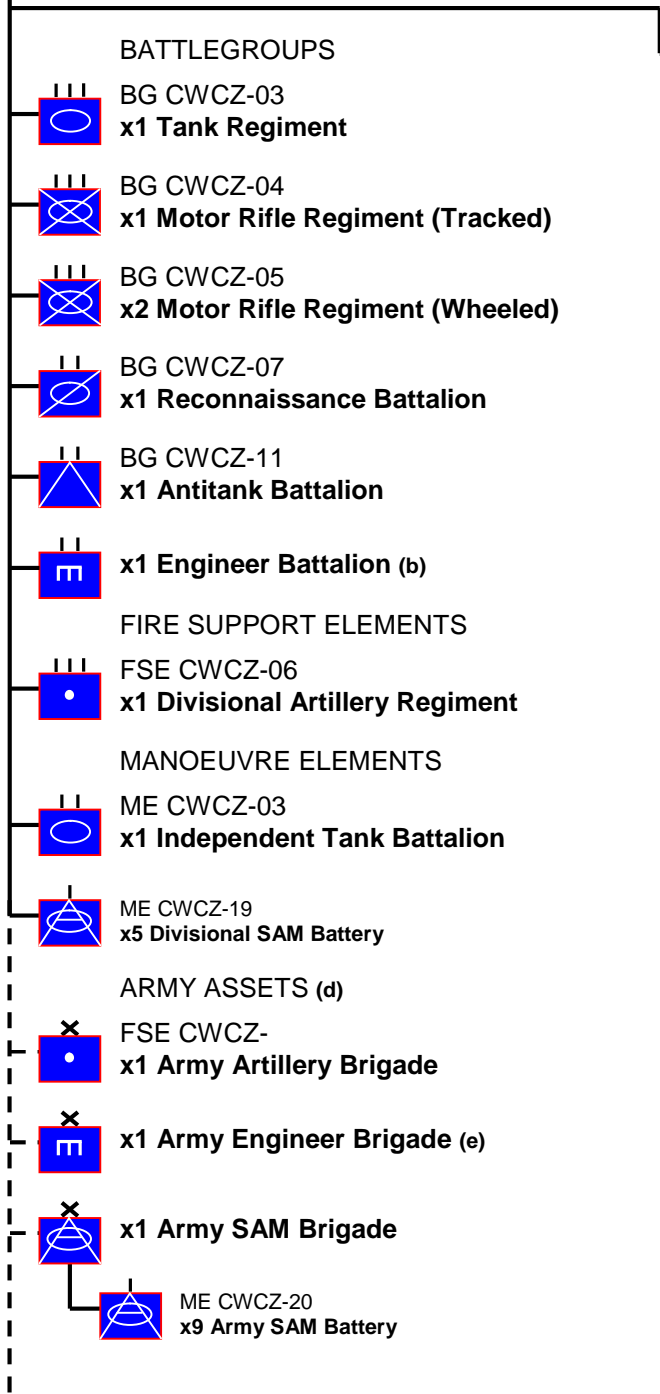
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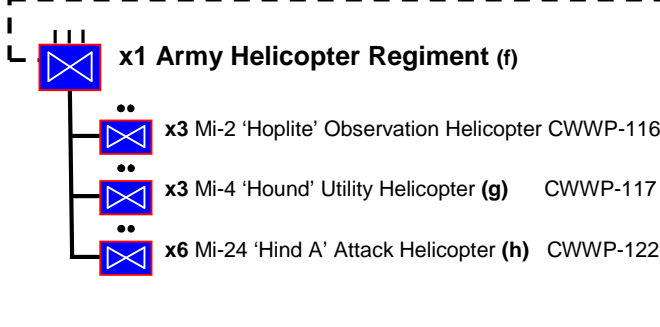
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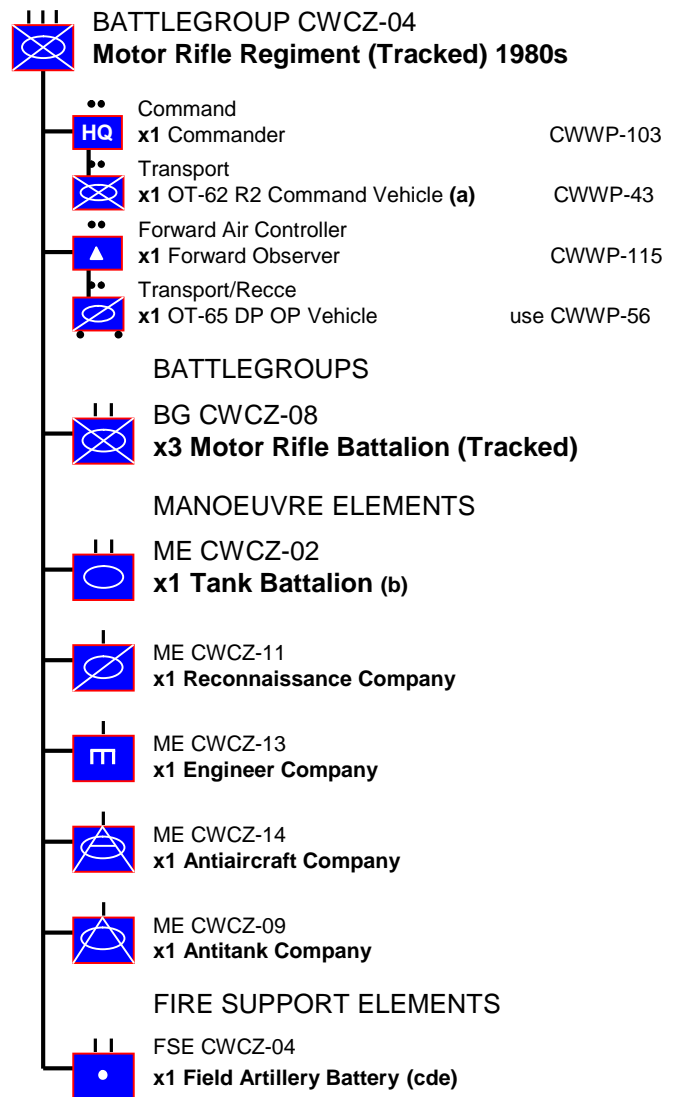
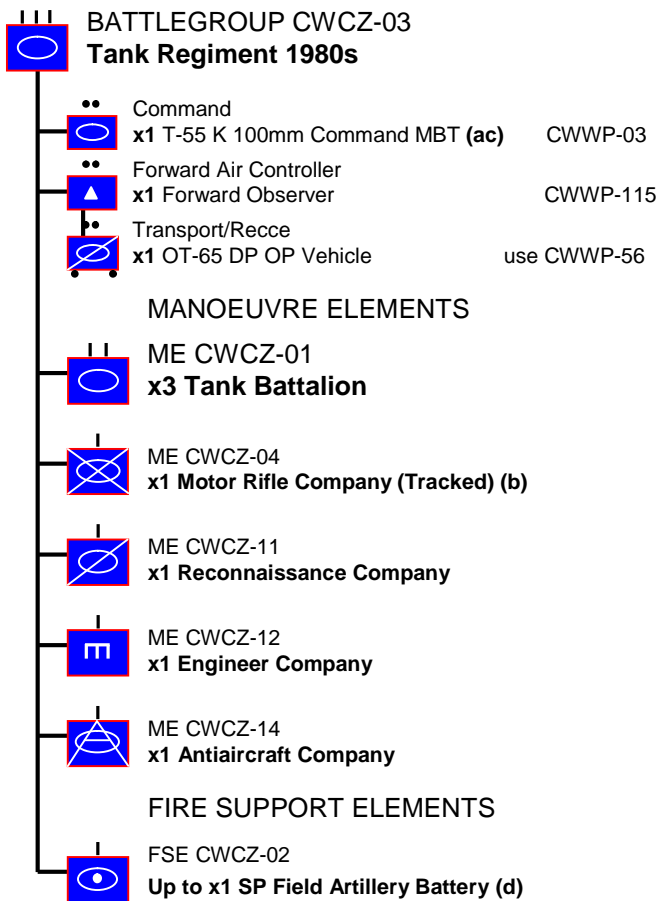
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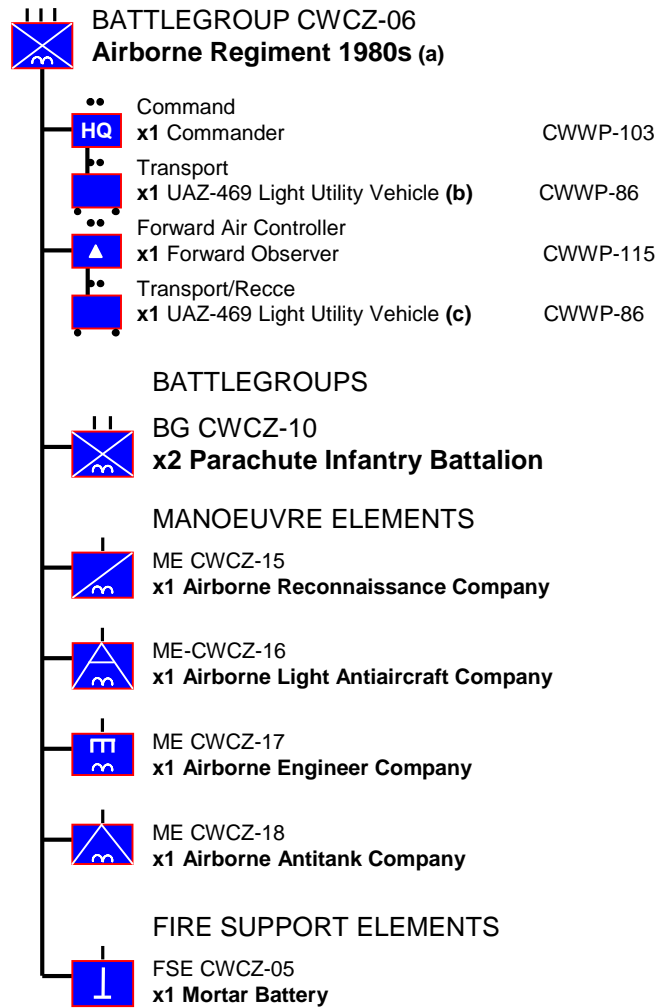
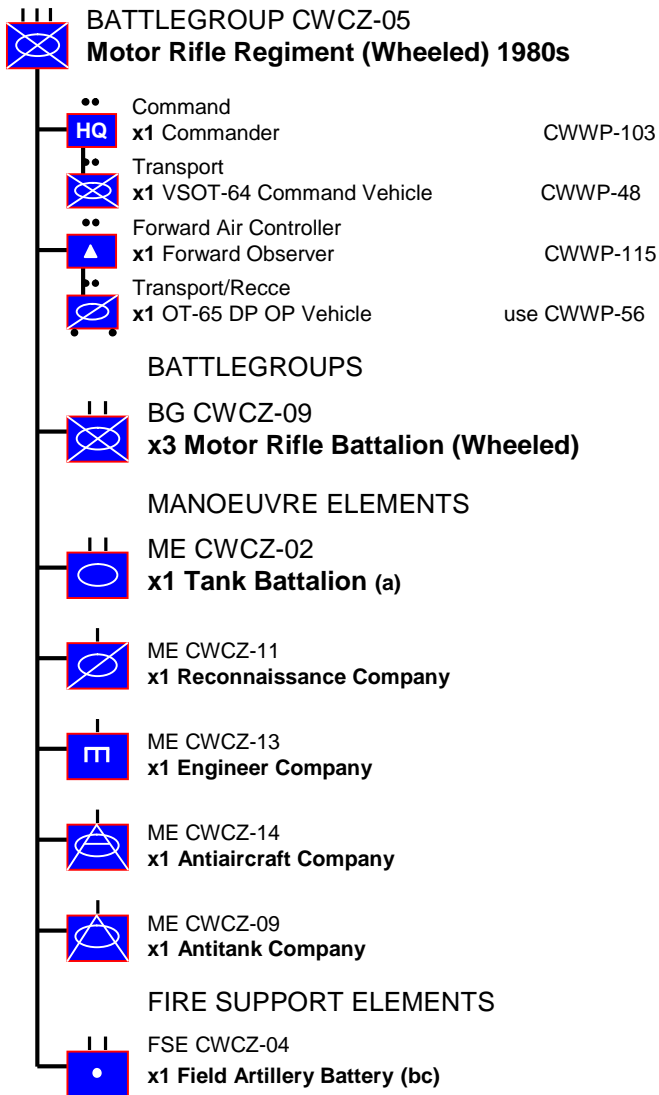
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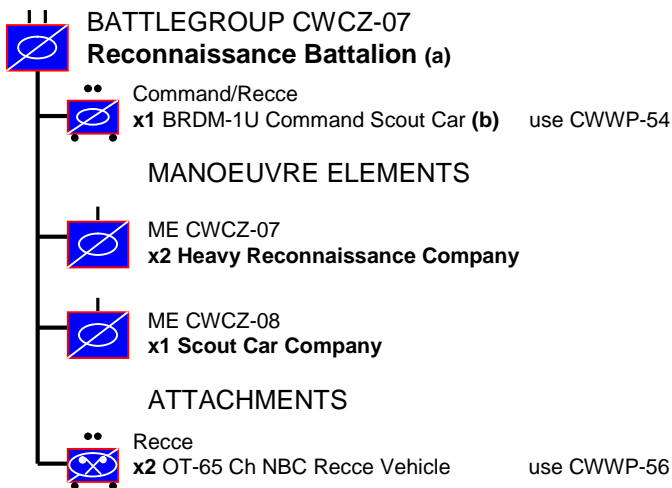
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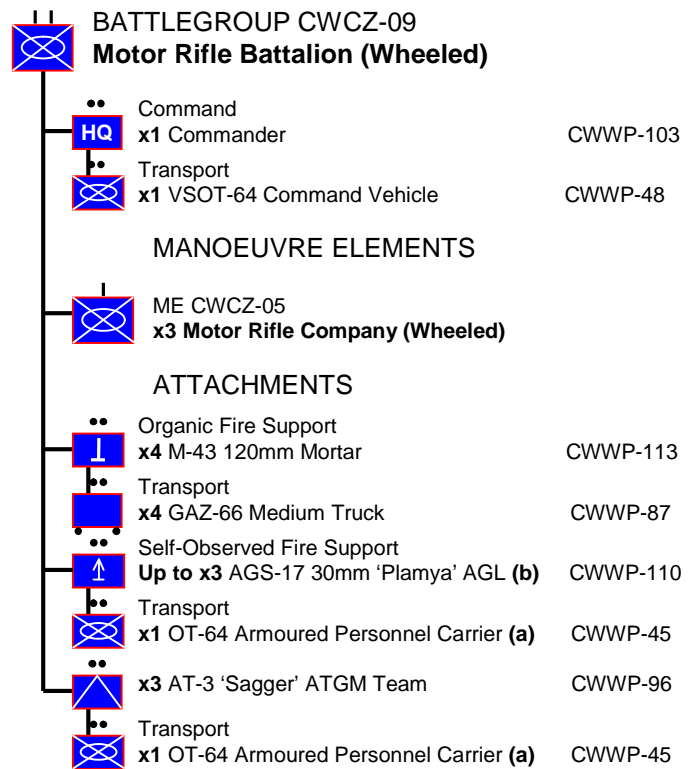
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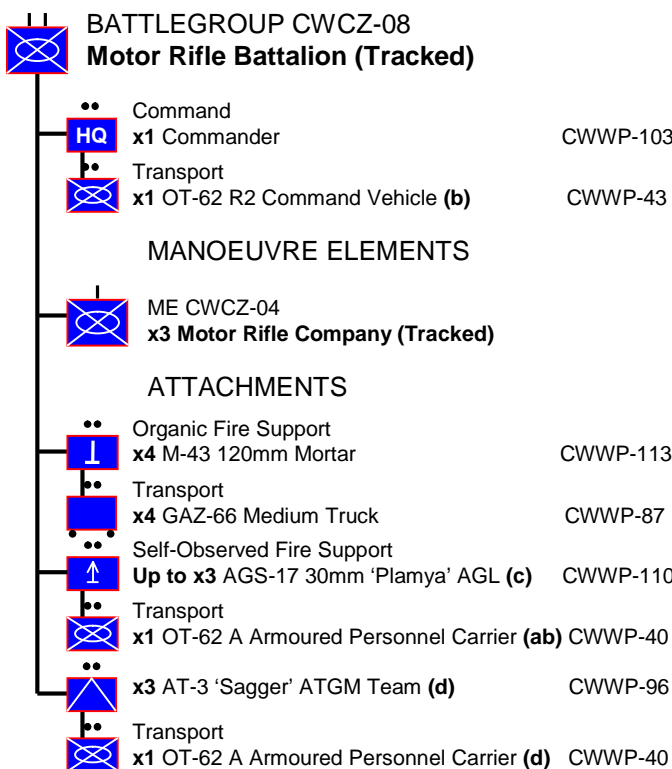
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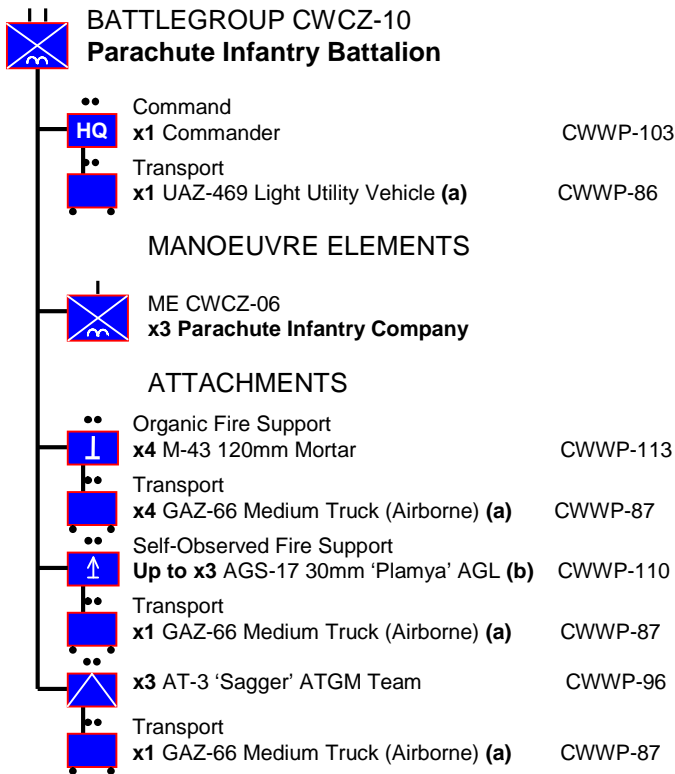
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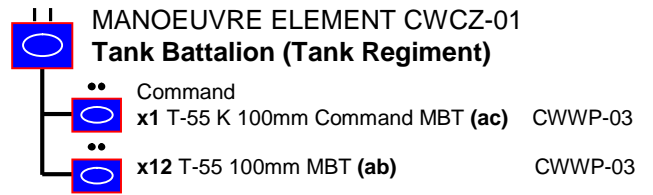
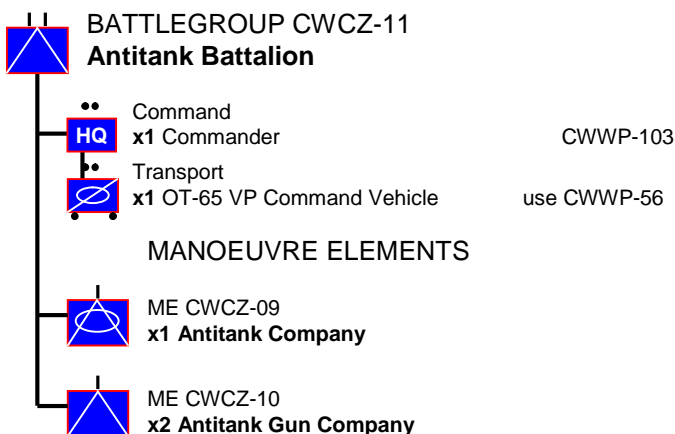
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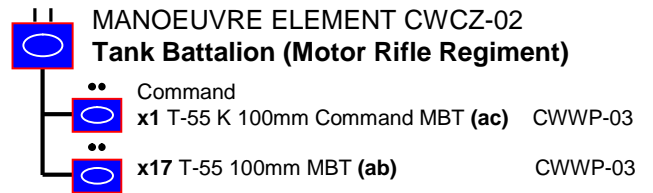


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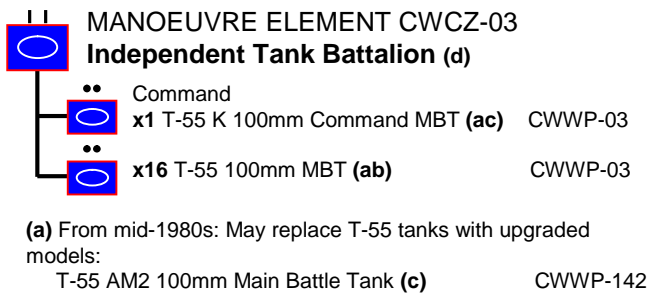


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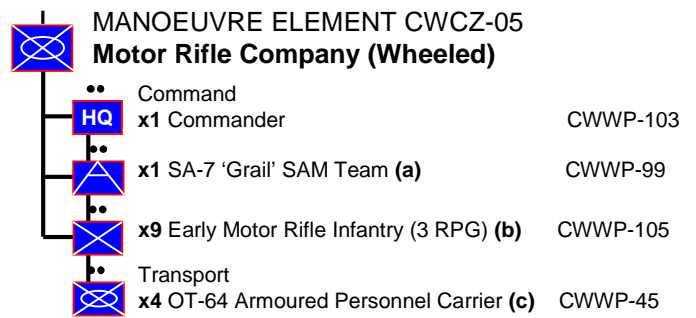
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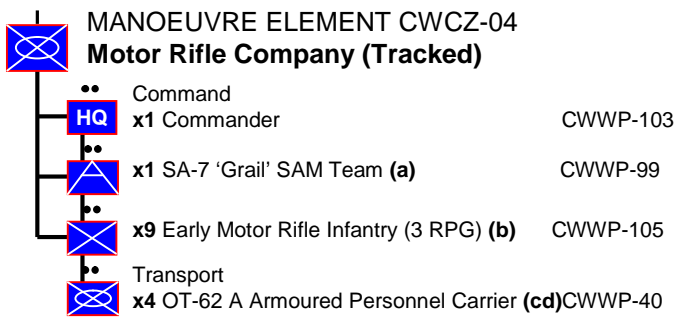
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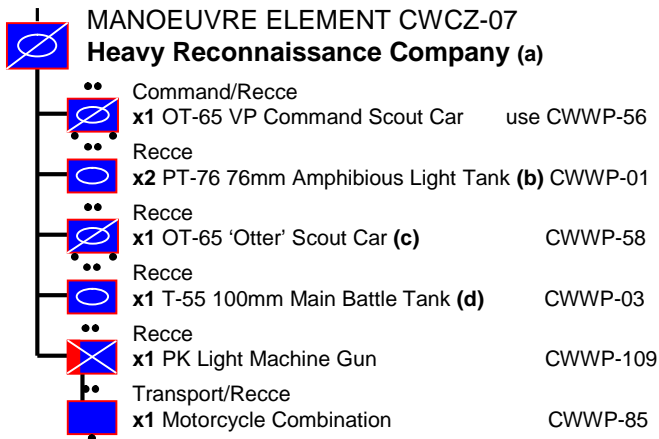
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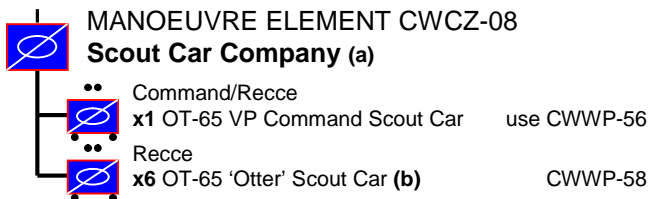


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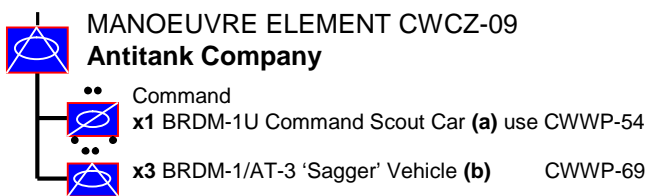
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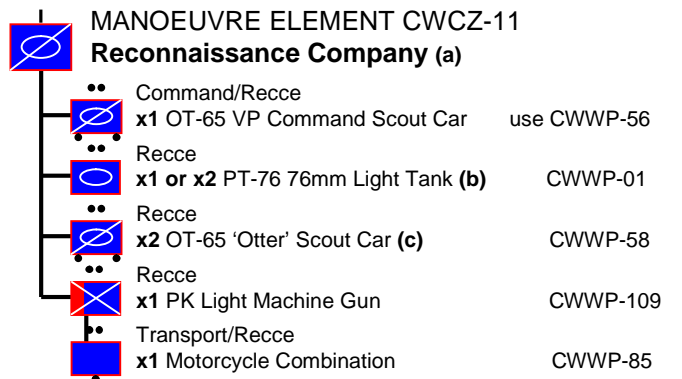
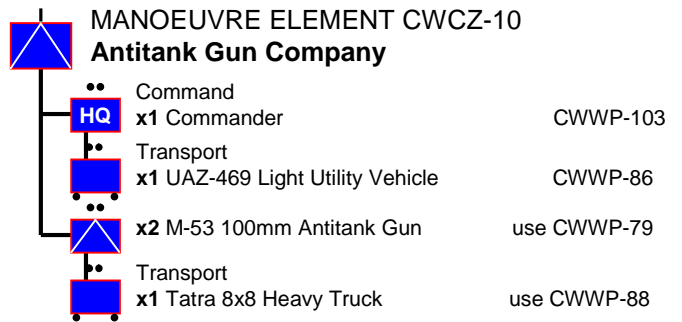
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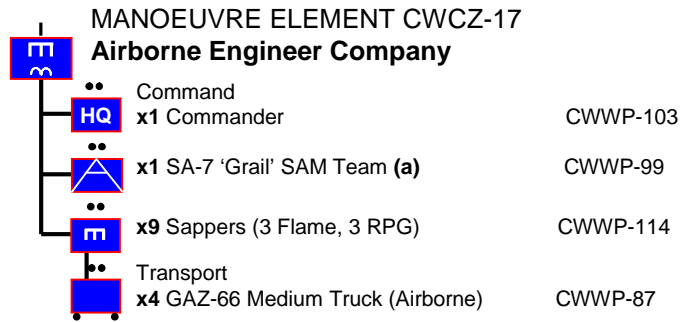
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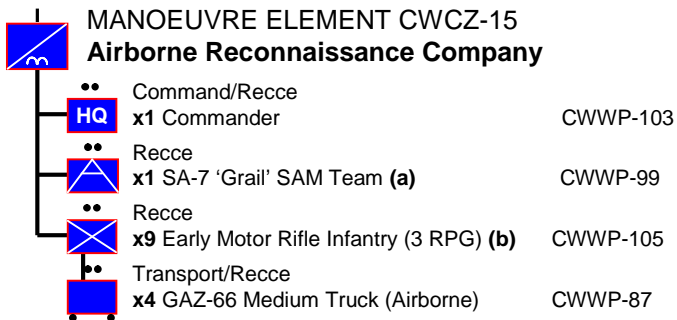
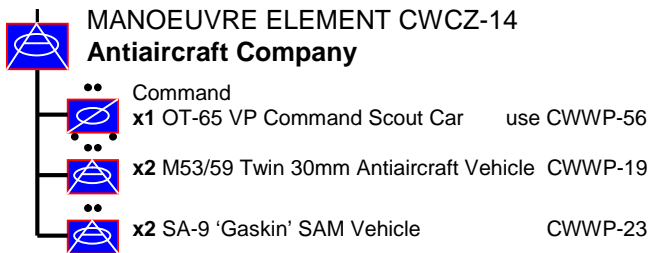
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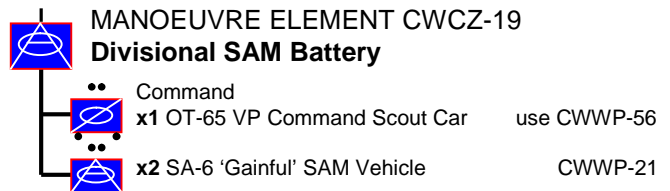
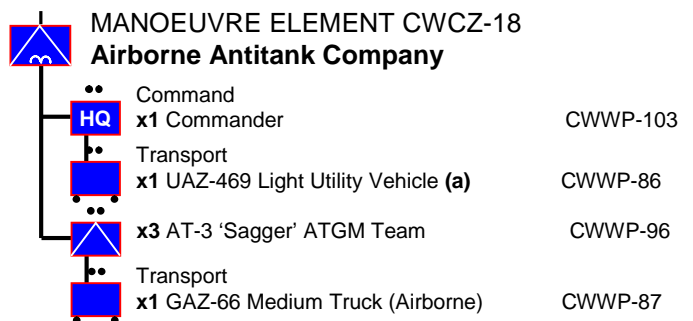


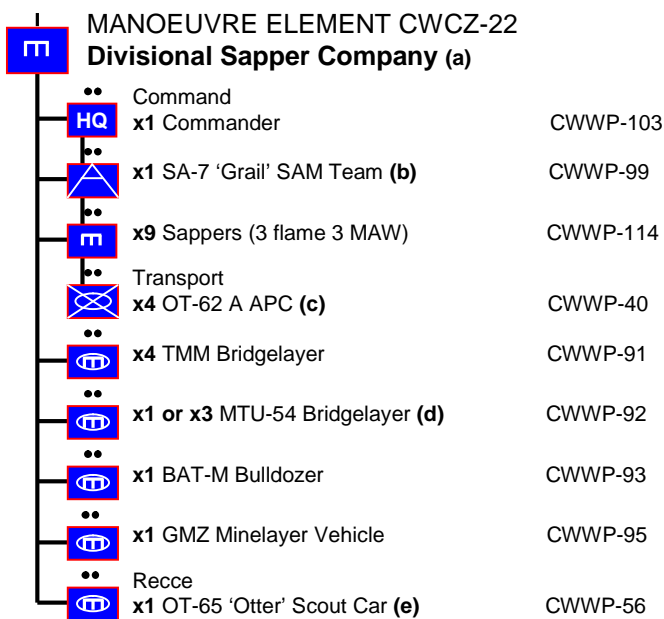
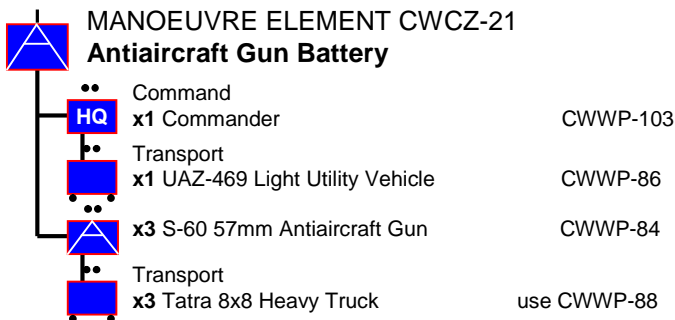
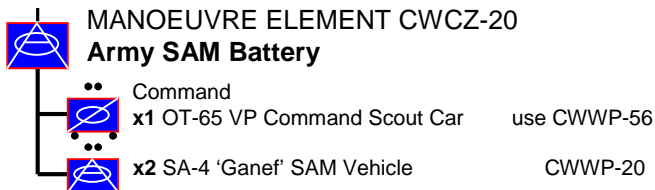
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Air Support

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 Su-17 – 3x Squadrons
 Su-25 – 3x Squadrons
 MiG-21 – 3x Squadrons
 MiG-23 – 3x Squadrons

In the air defence role (which could be pressed into service as ground attack if necessary) they had the following aircraft:
 MiG-21 – 12x Squadrons
 MiG-23 – 6x Squadrons

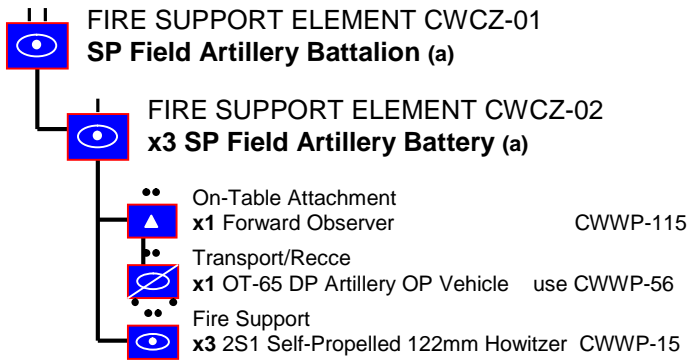
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(c) May replace OT-62 A APCs with:
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(d) Tank Divisions would have the larger number of MTU AVLBs.

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(a) Note that self-propelled artillery pieces were always in short supply in the Wasaw Pact armies – particularly during the earlier half of the 1980s. These units would often therefore persist with towed 122mm howitzers, as per FSE CWCZ-03/04.



(a) Army Artillery Brigades continued to use older pieces such as the M-37 122mm Gun, rather than the more modern D-30.

