



5th
Panzer
Regiment

Panzer Battalion I	2 A 2	8 A 3	5 H 8	Panzer Battalion II	2 A 2	8 A 3	5 H 8
	3 PzKw II F 8	6 PzKw III G 8	5 PzKw IV 8		3 PzKw II F 8	6 PzKw III G 8	5 PzKw IV 8
	x 3	x 7	x 2		x 3	x 7	x 2

104th
Infantry
Regiment

2 H 12	20 H 12	0 C 0					
75 mm 2	150 mm 2	1 Truck 12					
x 2	x 1	x 3					
Infantry Battalion x 2	3 I 2*	4 I 4	3 M 12	8 A 5	5 A 2	6 A 2	0 C 0
	8 RIFLE 1	4 HMG 1	81 mm 3	50 mm 3	37 mm 3	28 mm 3	1 Truck 12
	x 9	x 2	x 1	x 1	x 1	x 1	x 15
8th Machine Gun Battalion	4 I 4	3 M 12	8 A 5	5 A 2	6 A 2	0 C 0	
	4 HMG 1	81 mm 3	50 mm 3	37 mm 3	28 mm 3	1 Truck 12	
	x 9	x 1	x 1	x 1	x 1	x 13	

155th
Artillery
Regiment

40 (H) 32	60 (H) 36	0 C 0
105 mm 2	150 mm 2	1 SdKfz 8 10
x 4	x 2	x 6

39th
Anti-tank
Battalion

8 A 5	0 C 0
50 mm 3	1 Truck 12
x 6	x 6

200th
Pionier
Battalion

3 I 2	0 C 0
10 1	1 Truck 12
x 9	x 9

I/33
Luftwaffe
Flak
Battalion
(attached)

15 A 20	0 C 0	4 H 10	0 C 0
88 mm 1	1 SdKfz 8 10	20 mm 1	1 Truck 12
x 3	x 3	x 4	x 4

3rd
Recon
Battalion
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2 I 2	3 I 2	5 A 2	0 C 0	2 I 2*	2 H 4	2 H 4
5 SECURITY 1	10 1	37 mm 3	1 Truck 12	2 SdKfz 221 8	2 SdKfz 222 10	2 SdKfz 231/8 16
x 3	x 1	x 1	x 5	x 2	x 2	x 1

606th
Flak
Regiment
(-)
(attached)

4 H 10
1 SdKfz 10/4 12
x 6

At the beginning of Operation Crusader, some of the infantry of the 21st Panzer was helping to cover the front, with the tanks in reserve. When the attack came, 21st Panzer was ordered to counterattack any British armor it could find. Five days into the battle, the 21st found the British 7th Armored division at Sidi Rezegh and scored a sizable victory against it, destroying most of its tanks and losing few of its own. The 21st then drove northeast to destroy the Allied infantry divisions but missed them in the desert. They continued forward and linked with the Tobruk garrison. With his supply lines now hopelessly stretched, Rommel was forced into a major retreat and the British had their first victory against the Germans in North Africa.