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## HEADQUARTERS OF A CANADIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE

## War Establishment

## (i) Personnel

| Detail  | Officers | Warrant officers | S/sergeants & sergeants | Rank and file | Total |
|---|----------|------------------|-------------------------|---------------|-------|
| Commander (brigadier)                                     | 1        |                  |                         |               | 1     |
| <i>Staff</i>  |          |                  |                         |               |       |
| Brigade major (class 7)                                   | 1        |                  |                         |               | 1     |
| General staff officer Grade 3 (class 9)                   | 1        |                  |                         |               | 1     |
| Staff captain (class 9)                                   | 1        |                  |                         |               | 1     |
| Liaison officers -  |          |                  |                         |               |       |
| Captain   | 1        |                  |                         |               | 1     |
| Lieutenants   | 2        |                  |                         |               | 2     |
| Staff learner (captain or lieutenant)                     | 1        |                  |                         |               | 1     |
| Clerks -  |          |                  |                         |               |       |
| Staff-sergeant  |          |                  | 1                       |               | 1     |
| Corporal  |          |                  |                         | 1             | 1     |
| Privates  |          |                  |                         | 2             | 2     |
| <i>Services</i>   |          |                  |                         |               |       |
| RCASC   |          |                  |                         |               |       |
| Captain   | 1        |                  |                         |               | 1     |
| Clerk corporal  |          |                  |                         | 1             | 1     |
| Batman-driver   |          |                  |                         | 1             | 1     |
| RCOC  |          |                  |                         |               |       |
| Captain (O.M.E. 3rd class)                                | 1        |                  |                         |               | 1     |
| Clerk (W.O I) Sub-conductor)                              |          | 1                |                         |               | 1     |
| Armourer (a)  |          |                  |                         |               |       |
| Warrant officer, class II Armourer Quartermaster-Sergeant |          | 1                |                         |               | 1     |
| Sergeant  |          |                  | 1                       |               | 1     |
| Private   |          |                  |                         | 1             | 1     |
| Fitters, M.V.   |          |                  |                         |               |       |
| Corporal  |          |                  |                         | 1             | 1     |
| Private   |          |                  |                         | 1             | 1     |
| Pay   |          |                  |                         |               |       |
| Paymaster, R.C.A.P.C.                                     | 1        |                  |                         |               | 1     |
| Clerk, sergeant (pay duties)                              |          |                  | 1                       |               | 1     |
| <i>Miscellaneous</i>                                      |          |                  |                         |               |       |
| Captains  |          |                  |                         |               |       |
| Intelligence and gas duties officer                       | 1        |                  |                         |               | 1     |
| Transport officer   | 1        |                  |                         |               | 1     |
| Chaplains, C.C.S (a)                                      | 4        |                  |                         |               | 4     |
| Camp commandant (class 10)                                | 1        |                  |                         |               | 1     |
| Batmen  |          |                  |                         | 3             | 3     |
| Batmen drivers  |          |                  |                         | 14            | 14    |

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|--|----------|------------------|--------------------------|---------------|-------|
| Coosk RCASC                                      |          |                  |                          |               |       |
| Officers' mess                                   |          |                  |                          | 1             | 1     |
| Other ranks' mess (b)                            |          |                  |                          |               |       |
| Corporal   |          |                  |                          | 1             | 1     |
| Privates   |          |                  |                          | 2             | 2     |
| Drivers, I.C.:-                                  |          |                  |                          |               |       |
| Corporal   |          |                  |                          | 1             | 1     |
| Lance-corporal                                   |          |                  |                          | 1             | 1     |
| Privates   |          |                  |                          | 4             | 4     |
| Intelligence section:-                           |          |                  |                          |               |       |
| Sergeant   |          |                  | 1                        |               | 1     |
| Corporal   |          |                  |                          | 1             | 1     |
| Private  |          |                  |                          | 1             | 1     |
| Orderlies (include 6 for brigade signal section) |          |                  |                          | 10            | 10    |
| Regimental duties:-                              |          |                  |                          |               |       |
| Warrant officer, class II company sergeant-majr  |          | 1                |                          |               | 1     |
| Company quartermaster-sergeant                   |          |                  | 1                        |               | 1     |
| Sanitary dutyman                                 |          |                  |                          | 1             | 1     |
| Transport sergeant                               |          |                  | 1                        |               | 1     |
| Total  | 18       | 3                | 6                        | 49            | 76    |

(ii) Transport

|   |    |
|---|----|
| Motorcycles, solo   | 4  |
| Cars, 5-cwt.  | 10 |
| Trucks, heavy utility personnel                                     | 4  |
| Trucks, heavy utility computer (with penthouse) (one for paymaster) | 2  |
| Trucks, 15-cwt.,  |    |
| G.S.  | 1  |
| Water   | 1  |
| Lorries, 3-ton, G.S.  | 3  |

(iii) Table of weapons

|                   |    |
|-------------------|----|
| Pistols, .38-inch | 14 |
| Machine carbines  | 21 |
| Rifles, .303-inch | 37 |
| LMGs, .303-inch   | 4  |
| Pistol, signal    | 1  |

(iv) Organization

This table is intended as a guide to officers commanding units, and may be varied, within the number of ranks, tradesmen and vehicles provided, according to tactical or administrative requirements.

|                                    |        |  |                           |   |   |
|------------------------------------|--------|--|---------------------------|---|---|
| Motorcycle, solo                   | 1      | Transport sergeant                         | Truck heavy utility       | 3 | Captain, RCASC  |
| Motorcycle, solo                   | 2      | W.O. I Sub-conductor                       | Personnel                 |   | Corporal clerk, RCASC   |
| Motorcycle, solo                   | 3      | Orderly, RCASC                             |                           |   | Batman-driver RCASC   |
| Motorcycle, solo                   | 4      | Camp commandant (also commands defence pl) | Truck heavy utility       | 4 | Company sergeant-major  |
|                                    |        |  | Personnel                 |   | Corporal clerk  |
| Cars 5-cwt                         | 1 - 4  | Chaplain, CCS                              |                           |   | Orderly   |
|                                    | (each) | Batman-driver                              |                           |   | Driver, I.C.  |
| Cars 5-cwt                         | 5 - 7  | Liaison officer                            | Truck heavy utility       | 1 | Staff-sergeant clerk  |
|                                    | (each) | Batman-driver                              | Computer (with penthouse) |   | Clerk   |
|                                    |        |  |                           |   | Batman-driver   |
| Cars 5-cwt                         | 8      | Transport officer                          | Truck heavy utility       | 2 | Paymaster   |
|                                    |        | Batman-driver                              | Computer (with penthouse) |   | Clerk -sergeant (pay duties)                                      |
| Cars 5-cwt                         | 9      | GSO 3rd grade                              |                           |   | Batman-driver   |
|                                    |        | Batman-driver                              |                           |   |   |
| Cars 5-cwt                         | 10     | Captain RCOC                               | Lorry, 3-ton, G.S.        | 1 | Clerk   |
|                                    |        | Batman-driver                              | Petrol                    |   | Driver, I.C.  |
| Truck 15-cwt GS                    |        | Intelligence officer                       | Lorry, 3-ton, G.S.        | 2 | Company quartermaster-sergeant                                    |
| LMG                                |        | Sergeant }                                 | L.M.G.                    |   | Corporal cook, RCASC  |
|                                    |        | Corporal }Intelligence                     | Cooking sets & rations    |   | 3 cooks, RCASC  |
|                                    |        | Lance-corporal }section                    |                           |   | 3 orderlies   |
|                                    |        | Batman-driver }                            |                           |   | Driver, I.C.  |
| Truck 15-cwt water                 |        | Sanitary dutyman                           | Lorry, 3-ton, G.S.        | 3 | W.O. Class II armourer,   |
|                                    |        | Driver, I.C.                               | L.M.G.                    |   | RCOC  |
| Truck heavy utility                | 1      | Brigadier                                  | Baggage                   |   | Sergeant armourerm RCOC   |
| Personnel, No. 22 set              |        | Brigade major                              |                           |   | Armourer, RCOC  |
| (attached from divisional signals) |        | Batmne                                     |                           |   | Corporal fitter, M.V. RCOC  |
|                                    |        | Driver, I.C.                               |                           |   | Fitter, M.V. RCOC   |
| Truck heavy utility                | 2      | Staff captain                              |                           |   | Driver, I.C.  |
| Personnel                          |        | Batman                                     |                           |   |   |
|                                    |        | Batman-driver                              |                           |   | (6 orderlies carried in transport of Infantry Divisional Signals) |

- (a) For allotment to units as required.  
(b) Includes cooks for attached infantry brigade and independent brigade group headquarters defence platoon. (see W.E. in Volume II)

NOTES

- At least two men will be trained in decontamination work
- Of the total clerks 40% may be Group "B" tradesmen.
- The driver of the water trucks and cooks' lorry will be trained in water duties.
- When the brigade is employed in mountain warfare, the following additions to the intelligence section are authorized.

|           |   |
|-----------|---|
| Corporals | 1 |
| Privates  | 2 |
- When the brigade forms part of an armoured division, the following variations will be made in this W.E.

(i) Personnel

STAFF

|   |   |
|---|---|
| Add - Deputy assistant adjutant and quartermaster-general | 1 |
| Clerk   | 1 |

MISCELLANEOUS

|                                  |   |
|----------------------------------|---|
| Add - Driver-operators Group "C" | 3 |
| Delete - Batmen-drivers          | 2 |
| Driver, I.C.                     | 1 |

(ii) Transport

|  |   |
|--|---|
| Add - Scout cars (fitted with No. 19 sets) | 3 |
| Delete - Cars, 5-cwt.                      | 3 |