

13th Infantry Brigade (1)

Headquarters, 13th Infantry Brigade & Signal Section

2nd Bn. The Cameronians (Scottish Rifles)

2nd Bn. The Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers

2nd Bn. The Wiltshire Regiment (Duke of Edinburgh's)

91st (4th London) Field Regiment, Royal Artillery

252nd (West Lancashire) Field Company, Royal Engineers

13th Infantry Brigade Company, Royal Army Service Corps

164th (West Lancashire) Field Ambulance, Royal Army Medical Corps

17th Infantry Brigade (2)

Headquarters, 17th Infantry Brigade & Signal Section

2nd Bn. The Royal Scots Fusiliers

2nd Bn. The Northamptonshire Regiment

6th (Morayshire) Bn. The Seaforth Highlanders (Ross-shire Buffs, Duke of Albany's)

9th Field Regiment, Royal Artillery

38th Field Company, Royal Engineers

17th Infantry Brigade Company, Royal Army Service Corps

141st (County of London) Field Ambulance, Royal Army Medical Corps

2 x sections, 5th Infantry Division Provost Company, Corps of Military Police

NOTES:

1. The 13th Infantry Brigade was a pre-war Regular Army brigade, based at Catterick as part of the 5th Infantry Division. The brigade deployed to France on 16 September 1939, rejoining the division on 30 December that year when the divisional headquarters became operational in France. Having fought valiantly on the Ypres – Comines Canal in late May, the brigade was evacuated from Dunkirk on or about 1 June 1940. Like its sister formations in the 5th Infantry Division, the brigade was re-equipped and brought back up to operational readiness. The brigade came under command of Force 121 on 23 April 1942 (after the 17th Infantry Brigade) and was used as the Third Wave landing on Madagascar on 6 May 1942. The brigade left Madagascar on 19 May 1942 to sail for India to rejoin the 5th Infantry Division. For this operation, the brigade was organised as a brigade group with supporting arms and services allocated from the division.
2. This brigade was formed in the United Kingdom on 3 October 1939, and came under command of the 5th Infantry Division in France on 30 December that year. It fought in France with the division until it was evacuated from Dunkirk on or about 1 June 1940. The brigade was rebuilt in the U.K., and when the division was ordered to proceed to India, this brigade was detached to join Force 121 for the invasion of Madagascar. It came under command of Force 121 on 15 March 1942, and landed at Diego Suarez on 5 May 1942 as the Second Wave of the landings there. It assisted in securing the area, leaving Madagascar on 10 June 1942 to sail onto India to rejoin the 5th Infantry Division. For this operation, the brigade was organised as a brigade group with supporting arms and services allocated from the division.

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