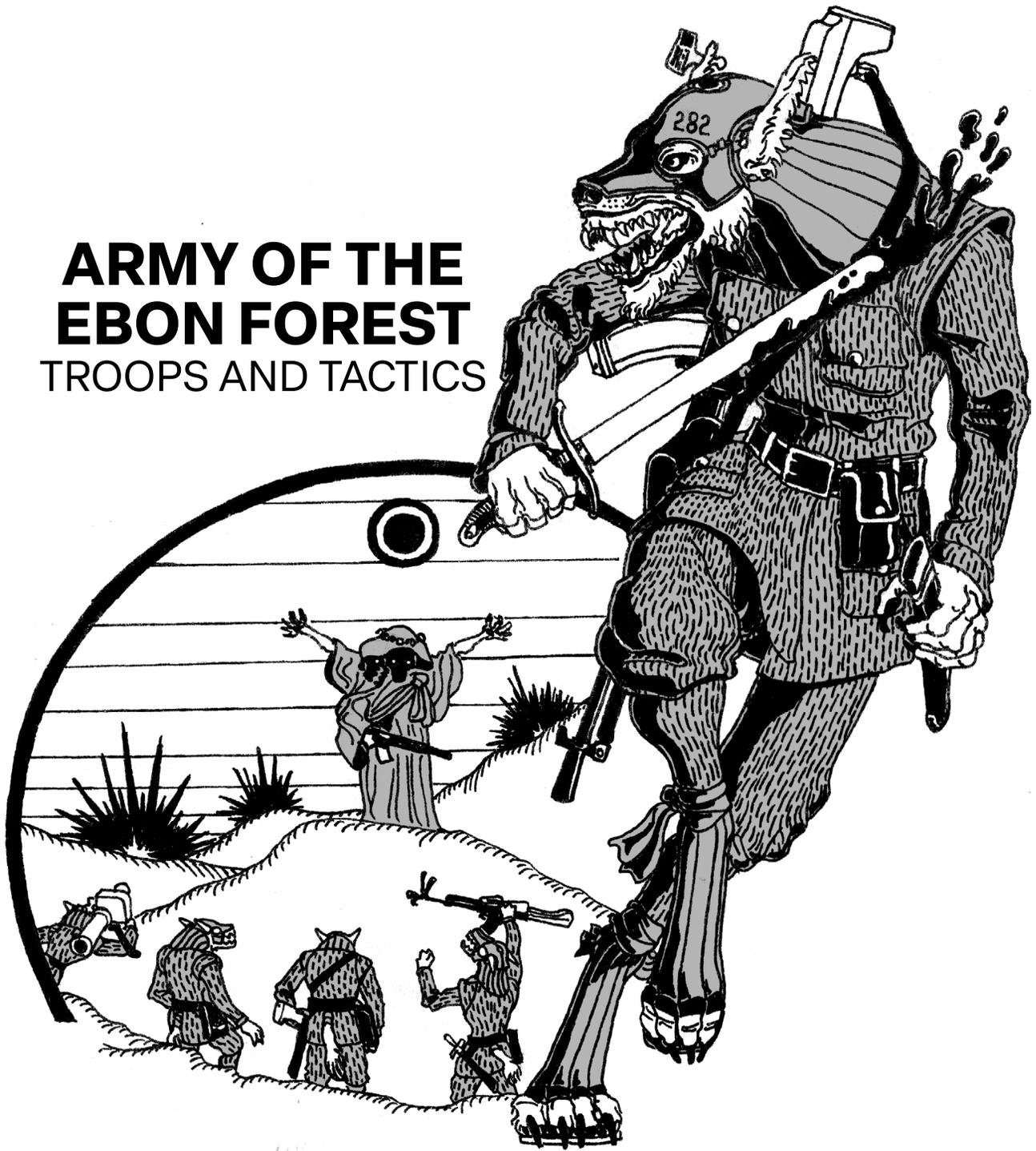


ARMY OF THE EBON FOREST

TROOPS AND TACTICS



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Preface

This field manual is part of FM series 100-X-8X. The other volumes in this series are FM 100-1-8X (The Federal States-Army: Troops and Tactics), FM 100-3-8X (The New Rygolic Host: Troops and Tactics), and FM 100-4-8X (Atom Barons of Santagria: Troops and Tactics). Each volume in the series describes the range of troop types and characteristics of an opposing force to the Federal States-Army.

This document, FM 100-2-8X, describes the known elements of the Army of the Ebon Forest. Used together, they form a thorough reference on any challenges the F.S-A. may expect to face, as well as its own strengths and weaknesses in comparison to them.

This manual represents the definitive (condensed) source of unclassified information on luparic ground and rotary-wing air forces: their abilities, strengths, weaknesses, and general availability to a commander. The Main Threats Directorate at the Drekfort Military Development Center, Langport, Vansa, updates these manuals periodically to provide the most current unclassified information available.

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CHAPTER 1 OVERVIEW

The Kingdom of the Ebon Forest is a totalitarian state, helmed by a Regent and his council in the name of its deceased monarch and founder, the Wolf-King. It occupies a peninsula in the northwest of Oid bordering the Intermarine Federation to the east and the Rygolic Petty States to the south, contesting the waters of the Sea of Lights with the Giant Kingdoms to its west.

The Army of the Ebon Forest (A.E.F.) constitutes the royal regular forces of the Ebon Forest, pledged to the service of their skeletal Wolf-King. The Regency Council at the head of the A.E.F. presents their military as a powerful modern force equal to our own States-Army (see **FM 100-1-8X**). In truth, it is an under-equipped and unpopular institution: the polar opposite of the F.S.A. in every respect.

Do not mistake poverty for martial incompetence. A combination of super-human resilience and clever tactics make the A.E.F. a remarkably stout defensive force in their home terrain and the most pressing threat to Inter-marine liberty in the present day.

The A.E.F. is composed wholly of the native denizens of the Ebon Forest: the lupar. Remember the following rules of thumb when operating against any lupar troops:

1. Remain downwind of enemy positions when possible. Maintain sound discipline.
2. Anticipate enemy action to be most frequent at night. Post guards with nightvision equipment or starlight scopes.
3. Establish overlapping sectors of fire and final protective firing lines for every new position.
4. Do not attempt to take prisoners without appropriate restraints and at least three guards. Prioritize by rank.

FACTIONAL STRENGTH:

Superlative mobile infantry.

FACTIONAL QUIRK:

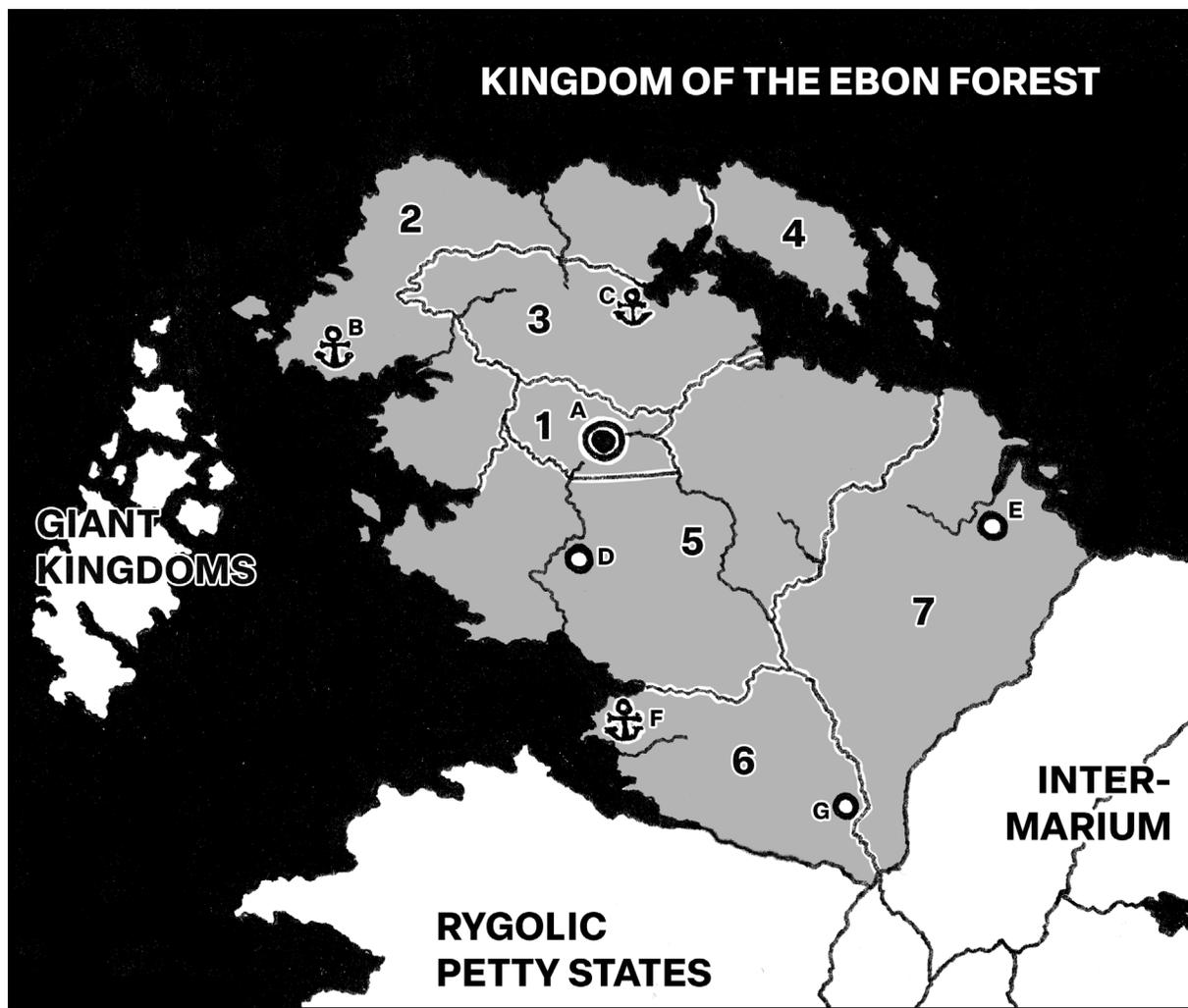
Many units are multi-purpose.

FACTIONAL WEAKNESS:

Poor fire support vehicles and tanks.



PREFECTURES AND STRATEGIC CITIES OF THE EBON FOREST



PREFECTURES:

- 1 - Traipse du Roi
- 4 - Clan Olariuma
- 7 - Gathering of the Tribes*

- 2 - Clan Koskal
- 5 - Clan Abhais

- 3 - Clan Toskona
- 6 - Clan Etroique

STRATEGIC CITIES:

- A - Carcalhaight
- D - Avoy
- G - Lotte

- B - Vuno
- E - Plinth Mons

- C - Argenter
- F - Baselard

* Indigenous name varies. Consult FM 2-10-19 "Borderland Culture of the Ebon Forest" for a full list of names and alternative spellings.

CHAPTER 2 TACOMS

Ebon Forest commanders prefer to coordinate operations in person and dismounted. They have no equivalent to a dedicated command post vehicle, unlike the F.S-A.'s Appomattox. When not occupying camouflaged posts or hardened bunkers, they are leading their troops in combat. A combination of a relatively high turnover rate and the A.E.F.'s meritocratic attitude means that rank is only loosely important for command; a company chief might find himself directing a much larger or smaller force than what his manuals dictate.

Often, command is supplanted or taken over by personnel outside the regular army structure. The Regent's interior troops and rooters-out of savagery, the notorious Internal Security, are authorized to subordinate royal forces on an as-necessary basis. To be "assisted" by I.S. is never a promising sign for a lupar officer's career. On rarer occasions, waykeepers (the Ebon Forest's traditional order of ascetic warrior-priests) may attach themselves to a unit at the front. Even if they lack a formal rank, they typically become the de-facto formation command. No lupar—at least one in his right mind—would oppose their sage and fearsome judgment.

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COMPANY CHIEF'S GUARD



COMPANY CHIEF'S GUARD - 0 pts
COMMAND TEAM

Inf, H1, S24", M5", Q4, T1+/1/1, C3
Bloodlust, Brigade (4, 8"), Infiltrator,
Sense (6")

Mle. 38 .30 LMG

All, R10", A4+/5+, S1/1+, D2
Small Arm

OtPv. 9 30-inch Machete

Inf, R0", A1+/1+, S1/1, D2
Melee

Mle. 44 3.5-inch RPG

All, R8", A4+/6+, S8/1+, D1
Ammo 4
Shaped Charge, Small Arm

Stimulant-Laced Bomb, "Signal Salt"

Gnd, R6", A++/++ , D1, Ammo 1
Light Indirect, Radius (3"), Rally (Salt)

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TYPE: COMMAND TEAM

REMARKS

A.E.F. company chiefs are accustomed to leading from the front, equipped in similar fashion to their subordinate infantry. Their field uniform is broadly the same as that of the common chasseur with the addition of a helmet crest.

Standard-issue to ranking officers is the "signal salt" grenade, containing olfactory identifiers and stimulants meant to direct and rally luparic troops. A few men in the bodyguard receive RSP-77 backpack radio transceivers meant to work with the smaller handsets carried by subalterns.

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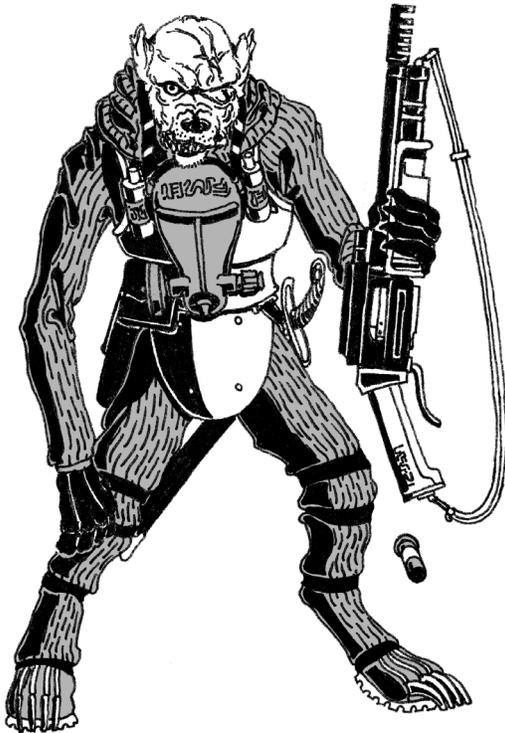
Lupes can handle a heavy load—give 'em water and a little salt pork and they'll lug everything short of a tank on their back through the forest for the whole day. Even still, I gotta pity the guys in crests.

A light machine gun (even if it's cut-down), machete, the same ammo load as the grunts. The whole stonking manpack radio, ear-set, and battery units. Spares for the latter. Plus the existence load: rations and supplies for a week's maneuvers and fighting. On top of all of that, pile on the weight of responsibility—you're talking a company chief here.

They don't like to pass it off. I'm told some of them just flip the whole box onto their belly when they sleep- all straightened out and man-like, on a bed or cot, because curling around your MG is bad form for an officer. (Nobody told ours that last part, I guess.)

- Rayleigh Irving, Federal Intelligence

INTERNAL SECURITY ESCORT



TYPE: COMMAND SHOCK SQUAD

REMARKS

The Regent's notorious interior troops and state-level gendarmerie. Internal Security technically lies outside the A.E.F. structure, but they are often deployed alongside the regular troops anyways. Equipped for intense breach-and-clear operations in dense concrete longhouses, they are heavily armored from head to toe, with thick, steel, small arms-resistant plates over the vital organs.

Senior I.S. officers and their bodyguard attachments are often embedded into under-performing A.E.F. formations as watchdogs for the Regency—or as more competent (and politically-reliable) commanders, depending on the circumstances.

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INTERNAL SECURITY ESCORT - 15 pts
COMMAND SHOCK SQUAD

Inf (S), H1, S16", M4", Q5, T2/1+/1+, C4
Assault Specialist, Brigade (3, 4"), NBC

FdcL 63 4-gauge Shotgun

Inf/Vec, R6", A3+/3+
Small Arm

→ **4-gauge Houndshot**

S1/1+, D3

→ **4-gauge Rifled Slug**

S2/3, D1

OtDs. 13 Tactical Breaching Charge

Vec, R0", A1+/1+, S12/12, D1,
 Ammo 2

Melee

OtPv. 9 30-inch Machete

Inf, R0", A1+/1+, S1/1, D2,
Melee

Stimulant-Laced Filter, "Signal Snuff"

Inf*, R0", A++/++, D1, Ammo 1
Discreet, Rally

*May only target self.

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He is shaven thin and his ears and tail are clipped. If he has a scent it is obscured by the suit. It smells of strong chemicals and cordite. There is a little lingering blood.

He walks with straight-legged steps. Jaws are tense around him. None can be trusted. He does not need to see into a man's heart to punish him. If he can prove a crime then it is the wall and the large-bore. He knows what to look for. He worries that he will miss some.

If you are in his eye then you know why.

- Conchar Goronwy, Chasseur, 96e Infanterie

WAYKEEPER JUDGE



WAYKEEPER JUDGE - 25 pts
RELIGIOUS LEADER

Inf, H1, S24", M4", Q5, T1/1/1, C5
Amphibious, Brigade (3, 12"),
Guidance (12"), Infiltrator, Sense (8")

*While this unit is alive, no unit in this army
can willingly go berserk.*

Mle. 32 .30 Self-loading Rifle

All, R8", A3+/4+, S1/1+, D1
Small Arm

Teeth & Claws

Inf, R0", A1+/1+, S1/1, D1,
Melee

Stimulant-Laced Bomb, "Signal Salt"

Gnd, R6", A++/++, D1, Ammo 1
Light Indirect, Radius (3"), Rally (Salt)

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TYPE: RELIGIOUS LEADER

REMARKS

Traditional, wandering religious order of legal authorities, lorekeepers, advisors in spiritual and political matters, and the former wardens of the Ebon Forest's tenuous traderoads. Universally respected by the luparic populace; though not formally recognized by the Regency, their activity continues unimpeded.

Particularly old and influential waykeepers, known as "judges", may assume de-facto command in an A.E.F. unit. Taught their mysteries by experience, they are notably efficient at guiding troops over a large area, but their age prohibits them from engaging in distance running like their peers.

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They are there in the deep woods. They do not touch the railroads but keep the old trails clear. They watch. Travelers are set upon still by the feral men in the night. The waykeepers deliver them from this evil. They know that play better than those who perform it now in the cities. They have been all of its actors.

The old judges would once communicate by proxy. They belonged to the forest even if they denied it its morsels. Lesser men of the robes would come to the cities in their stead. Now they show themselves before columns of the Regent's men and assume command without dispute.

What words are said in the dark?

- Conchar Goronwy, Chasseur, 96e Infanterie

CHAPTER 3 INFANTRY

The core of the A.E.F. is and always will be its proud infantry. The lupar are perhaps the most perfectly-suited race for the job: bloodthirsty, fast, strong and tough, with extremely keen senses and instinctual small-unit coordination. It helps that small arms and man-portable heavy weapons are one of the few things their limited industrial basis can reliably produce en masse.

While the lupar field some of the best infantry, they are still just infantry. On a battlefield crowded with heavy metal, their life expectancy on open ground is very low. They instead excel at assaulting and holding areas of dense cover- urban clusters, forests, and broken ground. While armed with the support weapons necessary to control and attempt to cross open spaces, they are most at home in the woods.

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TERRITORIALS



TERRITORIALS - 5 pts

MILITIA SQUAD

Inf (S), H1, S24", M5", Q2, T1/1-/1-
Amphibious, Bloodlust, Infiltrator, Sense (6")

Mle. 32 .30 Self-loading Rifle

All, R8", A4+/4+, S1/1+, D1
Small Arm

OtPv. 9 30-inch Machete

Inf, R0", A1+/1+, S1/1, D2,
Melee

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TYPE: MILITIA SQUAD

REMARKS

A remnant of the pre-unified Ebon Forest's complex clan organization. "Territorial" troops are the household warriors of the surviving clans, swearing fealty to their specific chieftain rather than the Regency. As their loyalty to the latter is at best dubious, they are not frequently sent abroad.

While usually experienced in scouting and internecine warfare, their access to heavier weapons is very limited. Most of their equipment, bar various patterns of modern rifle supplied from both domestic and foreign merchants, is unchanged from their falx-bearing ancestors.

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The old wounds run deep. The elder trees remember it. The young and the lost sit and listen. The boughs twist and tell them the story in the whistling of the wind.

They recount the old forest trails. Before the steel umbilicals and the heavy goods trains that ride them without stopping. They tell of the bands of warriors now alive only in the state poets' mouths. Mail and falx and musket and eyes of coal. Those who fought for self and clan and served the Wolf-King in name only.

The Regent's ancestors took the clans and welded them in their bony master's name. They clothed the clans in the ways of the flat-faced men. Now we make war on those we once worshiped as men above men. That is the way of things. To the blue soldiers, we pretend our woods roar as one.

It is a convenience. The chieftains still vie. The cracks widen and the Regent worries over his maps. He kills for words like these.

- Conchar Goronwy, Chasseur, 96e Infanterie

CHASSEURS



CHASSEURS - 10 pts

LINE SQUAD

Inf (S), H1, S24", M5", Q2, T1+/1/1
Bloodlust, Infiltrator, Sense (6")

Mle. 38 .30 LMG

All, R10", A4+/5+, S1/1+, D2
Small Arm

Mle. 44 3.5-inch RPG

All, R8", A4+/6+, S8/1+, D1
 Ammo 4
Shaped Charge, Small Arm

OtPv. 9 30-inch Machete

Inf, R0", A1+/1+, S1/1, D2,
Melee

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TYPE: LINE SQUAD

REMARKS

The common infantry of the Ebon Forest. Trained to a higher standard than Federal equivalents, and able to carry heavy combat loads due to their inhuman physiology. Competent at assault and ambush work alike. Fast, bloodthirsty, and tough.

Primary armament is the Mle. 38 light machine gun (issued on a squad-wide basis in the fashion of a service rifle). Support arms include shoulder-fired RPGs and the notorious army-issue machete in a bayonet's stead. The latter, despite the Ebon Forest's dense foliage, is not primarily intended for brush clearing.

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Modèle 38 Light Machine Gun. "Mitra"

Many have slept with Mitra even though she is not beautiful. Her snout is long and she prods you in the chest when you run. She is heavy on a long march and the younger men are shaken by her bark. Their ears are not cauliflowered yet. The instructors see to that.

- Conchar Goronwy, Chasseur, 96e Infanterie

The training compound was swallowed by dense wood. Many were lost and not found. The Regent's loyal men made pains to retain us. Before they even sized me for my uniform they punched a tag into my ear. By the spoken Law- the old Law- that made me a thrall of the state. My life became sellable.

- Conchar Goronwy, Chasseur, 96e Infanterie

WHITE GLOVES



TYPE: ELITE LINE SQUAD

REMARKS

Household guard infantry of the Wolf-King, and by extension the Regency Council. Their dress uniforms, including the white gloves, are worn in a slightly-modified form during their rare campaign deployments. Professionals, blooded veteran warriors, and stimulant addicts to the last man.

Equipped with a unique side-magazine automatic rifle manufactured under contract in the Rygolic Petty States (see **FM 100-3-8X**). As the showcase troops of the A.E.F. they also receive the best and latest in special support equipment. Shoulder-fired recoilless rifles and laser target designators copied from Federal examples are issued.

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WHITE GLOVES - 20 pts

ELITE LINE SQUAD

Inf (S), H1, S24", M5", Q4, T1+/1/1

Bloodlust, Elite, Sense (6")

Mle. 52F .30 Automatic Rifle

All, R8", A4+/4+, S1/1+, D2
Small Arm

Lacra 3.5-inch Shouldered R. R.

A3+/5+, Ammo 3, *Small Arm*

→ **3.5-inch Rocket-Assisted Sabot**

Vec, R20", S8/12, D1

→ **3.5-inch HEAT**

Inf/Vec, R16", S9/1+, D1
Shaped Charge

→ **3.5-inch Incendiary**

Inf/Vec, R16", S1+/1+, D1
Ignore Cover (2), Rear Attack

Mle. 7 Laser Designator

All, R40", A++/xx, D1
Designator, Discreet

Mle. 313 26-inch Side Saber

Inf, R0", A1+/1+, S1+/1+, D2,
Melee

FEDERAL STATES-ARMY - DREKFORT M.D.C.

The Wolf-King's bones are left beneath his canopy. It has been long since a proper Speaking of the Law. His skull has not graced a living man's snout for many years. His voice has not in living memory spoken through another throat before the assembled chieftains on the high rock.

The White Gloves remember. Their honor guard is not watched in the throne room. It is said that the Wolf-King speaks to them as he once did. What does he say to them with their mouths?

- Conchar Goronwy, Chasseur, 96e Infanterie

INTERNAL SECURITY



TYPE: ELITE SHOCK SQUAD

REMARKS

The Regent's notorious interior troops and state-level gendarmerie. Internal Security technically lies outside the A.E.F. structure, but they are often deployed alongside the regular troops anyways. Equipped for intense breach-and-clear operations in dense concrete longhouses: heavily armored from head to toe, with thick steel plates over the vital organs, resistant to rifle fire.

Primary armament is a powerful 4-gauge (23mm) combat shotgun derived from those used by state prison guards. With high-pressure rifled slugs, it is even a serviceable anti-materiel weapon.

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INTERNAL SECURITY - 20 pts
ELITE SHOCK SQUAD

Inf (S), H1, S16", M4", Q4, T2/1+/1+
Assault Specialist, NBC

FdcL 63 4-gauge Shotgun

Inf/Vec, R6", A3+/3+
Small Arm

→ **4-gauge Houndshot**

S1/1+, D3

→ **4-gauge Rifled Slug**

S2/3, D1

OtDs. 13 Tactical Breaching Charge

Vec, R0", A1+/1+, S12/12, D1,
 Ammo 2

Melee

OtPv. 9 30-inch Machete

Inf, R0", A1+/1+, S1/1, D2,
Melee

Stimulant-Laced Filter, "Signal Snuff"

Inf*, R0", A++/++, D1, Ammo 1
Discreet, Rally

*May only target self.

FEDERAL STATES-ARMY - DREKFORT M.D.C.

Before the Regency and the heeling of the clans there were not places like the one I grew up in. There were the palisaded oppida on the cleared plains. But those were cities of transient merchants and artisans and not concreted masses of teeth and claws. There was breathing space. Men were calmer and surer. Their deeper desires did not show in their twitching jaws.

I sympathize with the security men. They descend into the charnel houses when they happen. Civility grows from the barrel of a gun. When it is all over they must also clean out the rooms. That takes great restraint, even in an enclosed mask.

- Conchar Goronwy, Chasseur, 96e Infanterie

MACHINE GUN TEAM



TYPE: ANTI-PERSONNEL/MATERIEL TEAM

REMARKS

Issued at the platoon level, .50 caliber (12.7mm) heavy machine guns are the most common support weapons among lupar infantry. With good range, accuracy, and firepower against both ground troops and light vehicles, HMGs add significant defensive strength to A.E.F. positions.

While lupar lack the comparative endurance of humans, their strength is superior; their HMGs are carried and deployed in the fashion of our own rifle-caliber machine guns. Lupar gun crews have even been observed firing these from the hip (albeit without any particular accuracy).

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MACHINE GUN TEAM - 10 pts
ANTI-PERSONNEL/MATERIEL TEAM

Inf, H1, S24", M5", Q2, T1/1-/1-
Bloodlust, Infiltrator, Sense (6")

Mle. 32 .30 Self-loading Rifle

All, R8", A4+/4+, S1/1+, D1
Small Arm

Mtl. 19 .50 HMG

All, R20", A4+/6+, S2/3, D2
Defensive CC

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Interesting how often these guys show up in dogface propaganda. You know—the kind they used to airdrop on our positions, the leaflets that now get there by way of parachute mortar shells after midnight.

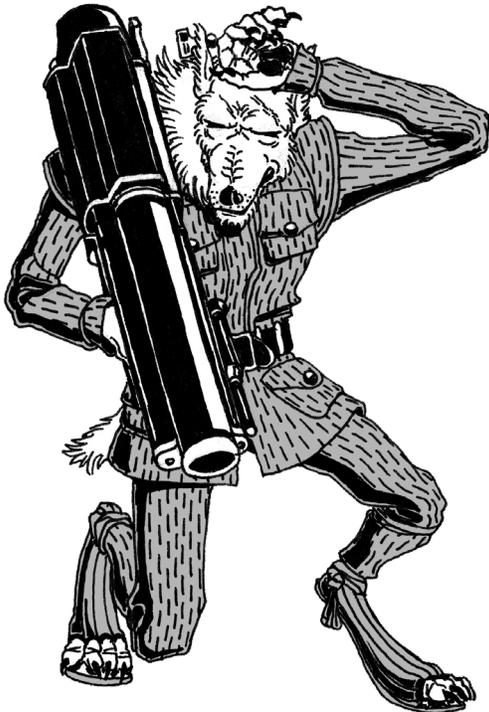
By and large it's a bunch of cheap schlock drawn by state servants who're filling the holes in their soul with ideology. Straight-backed lupar, big guns, heroic death-struggles against the lumbering Intermarium. Little bearded gnomes in horizon blue scuttling away from the forest, back to their watery ditch-cities.

Most of it's got no grounding in reality. The state propagandists don't draw their troops snuffling around in your ribcage, even if that'd scare the shit out of some of the kids on the front now. (Only the chasseurs scrawl that sort of thing.) But the machine-gunners are always pretty accurately depicted.

They really do fire from the hip when they're moving up. That open mouth is more to equalize the pressure than to roar.

- Rayleigh Irving, Federal Intelligence

HIMA TEAM



TYPE: ANTI-PERSONNEL/TANK TEAM

REMARKS

Indirect support team armed with a 3-inch (76mm) shoulder-fired light gun-mortar. The "Hima" is an advanced design despite its ubiquity in the A.E.F. inventory, featuring a sliding receiver-barrel complex that smooths out the weapon's heavy recoil impulse.

The Hima system is highly versatile, functioning both as a direct-fire anti-tank system and as a light mortar adept at providing fire support and screening for A.E.F. troops. "Signal salt" rounds, issued along more standard frag and smoke shells, contain olfactory identifiers and stimulant drugs meant to direct and rally luparic troops.

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HIMA TEAM - 15 pts
ANTI-PERSONNEL/TANK TEAM

Inf, H1, S24", M5", Q2, T1/1-/1-
Bloodlust, Sense (6")

Mle. 32 .30 Self-loading Rifle

All, R8", A4+/4+, S1/1+, D1
Small Arm

Lacra-76 "Hima" 3-inch Launcher

D1, Ammo 4
No CC (Inf.)

→ **3-inch Frag**

Gnd, R32", A4+/xx, S[D3]
Air-Filling, Light Indirect, Radius (2")

→ **3-inch HEAT**

Inf/Vec, R8", A4+/xx, S8/1+
Shaped Charge

→ **3-inch Smoke**

Gnd, R32", A++/xx
Light Indirect, Lingering, Radius (3"), Smoke

→ **3-inch Signal Salt**

Gnd, R32", A++/xx, D1
Light Indirect, Radius (3"), Rally (Salt)

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The signal salt is the first smell you are trained to recognize. It is a powerful chemical stench. You cannot mistake it for anything. I would not care for it had I not taken the Regent's ear-tag. But now it makes my mouth water.

The salt means you are close to the enemy lines. It means the assault is almost finished. The foe is almost overcome. His corpses will be available for a few minutes. Long enough.

- Conchar Goronwy, Chasseur, 96e Infanterie

RECOILLESS RIFLE TEAM



RECOILLESS RIFLE TEAM - 15 pts
GENERAL-PURPOSE TEAM

Inf, H1, S24", M5", Q2, T1/1-/1-
Bloodlust, Infiltrator, Sense (6")

Mle. 32 .30 Self-loading Rifle

All, R8", A4+/4+, S1/1+, D1
Small Arm

TAP 20 3-inch Recoilless Rifle

Ammo 4

→ **3-inch HEAT**

Inf/Vec, R24", A4+/6+, S8/1+, D1
No CC (Inf.), Shaped Charge

→ **3-inch Canister**

Inf/Vec, R12", A4+/6+, S1/1+, D3
Defensive CC

→ **3-inch Smoke**

Gnd, R24, A++/+++, D1
*Lingering, Radius (4"),
No CC (Inf.), Smoke*

FEDERAL STATES-ARMY - DREKFORT M.D.C.

TYPE: GENERAL-PURPOSE TEAM

REMARKS

Recoilless rifles are reliable, versatile, and light for the heavy punch they can deliver. Compared to an equivalent enclosed-breech cannon, they stress their mounting platform considerably less; hence they are usually shoulder-fired or mounted to tripods.

As with its Federal counterpart, the A.E.F. TAP 20 is a common direct-fire support weapon, issued across the army. Luparic physiology makes it possible for them to nimbly carry and employ these weapons in support of the attack. To that end, lupar R.R. teams are issued anti-personnel canister rounds for use at relatively short range.

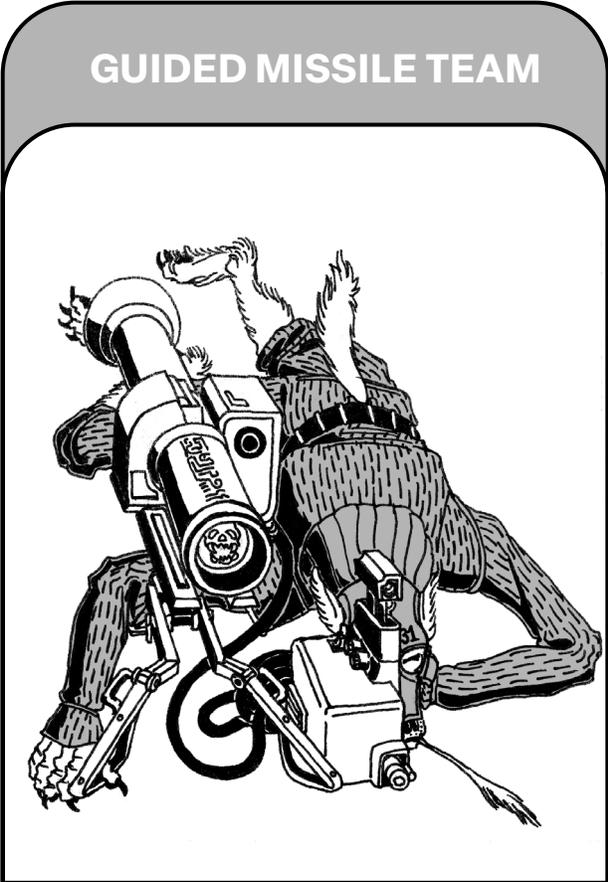
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It's a pocket cannon. Okay, sure, it's as tall as they are. But you haven't seen where they can hide these things. Under rotting logs, camo-netted in the bushes and twist-roots. They even put some in trees to go after thin top armor.

It's not exactly light, but the way dogfaces tote these things—mile after mile in the misty, tangled undergrowth—you'd swear they're just empty pasteboard tubes. All that, with ammo too, just to get at your flanks or rake you with canister.

One of these days, when this is all over, I'm hiring one for my old man's mountain inn. They like the cold and snow, and they know a thing or two about avalanche control.

- Rayleigh Irving, Federal Intelligence



GUIDED MISSILE TEAM - 20 pts
ANTI-TANK/AIR TEAM

Inf, H1, S32", M5", Q2, T1/1-/1-
Bloodlust, Sense (6")

Mle. 32 .30 Self-loading Rifle

All, R8", A4+/4+, S1/1+, D1
Small Arm

SD84 4.7-inch Missile Launcher

S14/2, D1, Ammo 4
Guided Missile (2), Shaped Charge

→ **ATGM Guidance Mode**

Vec, R6-60", A3+/xx

→ **MANPADS Guidance Mode**

Air, R60", A4+/xx

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TYPE: ANTI-TANK/AIR TEAM

REMARKS

Dismounted anti-armor team equipped with the SD84 4.7-inch (120mm) guided missile complex. One of few advanced electronic systems in A.E.F. use, the SD84 is issued only to higher-quality units.

Alone, it is an efficient SACLOS ATGM system (able to automatically guide itself towards the illuminated crosshairs without manual corrections from the gunner).

In field service, many have been modified to permit anti-aircraft targeting. Guiding a missile by hand into a flying target is easier said than done, but the capability remains.

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When my father was young there was still a group of wild men near where he lived. They were not like the feral ones who refuse to know spoken words. Neither were they like us who had rooted ourselves in the gathering cities. They wandered and clothed themselves in bone and skins they had poached and waterproof groundsheets from the flat-faced traders.

They were spear hunters. They killed wild boars and burnt the meat only to remove the bristles. To spear a great boar was an act of great nerve. The boar would rage. If the spear wavered before or after the strike the boar would gore the hunter. The wound would not knit. It called for perfect calm. One kept their eyes on the boar and not the spear.

The wild men no longer show themselves.

- Conchar Goronwy, Chasseur, 96e Infanterie

SUBALTERN TEAM



SUBALTERN TEAM - 10 pts
JUNIOR COMMAND TEAM

**Inf, H1, S24", M5", Q4, T1/1-/1-
 Brigade (2, 4"), Bloodlust, Infiltrator,
 Sense (6")**

Mle. 32 .30 Self-loading Rifle

All, R8", A4+/4+, S1/1+, D1
 Small Arm

OtPv. 9 30-inch Machete

Inf, R0", A1+/1+, S1/1, D2,
 Melee

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TYPE: JUNIOR COMMAND TEAM

REMARKS

Subalterns are the A.E.F.'s most junior commissioned officers, almost exclusively promoted from the ranks, given the right to wear an officer's crest and black cockade. In frontline practice they are the disseminators and executors of their company chief's orders, as well as his messengers.

Standard equipment includes the RSP-10 radiotelephone handset, powered by a belt battery. For self-defense, subalterns and their attached bodyguards and orderlies are provided with the light Mle. 32 rifle also issued to weapons teams. They travel light and are expected to be first-class runners.

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Some finery on the collars and a crest. A black piece of silk. With these garnishes a man is seized from the comfortable mass of the ranks and made a subaltern. He is doomed. He goes to this doom with grace.

When the shelling is thick even the grass despairs. Nothing lives for long above ground and the company chief takes to the bunkers. He speaks through buried lines and semaphores. His subalterns are his mouth at the far end of the hail. They are his eyes and ears. The men know this too.

Much is said of that little black cockade. Watered with enough shrapnel and given the campaigning sun it might grow into a cap with a rose badge. Others do not grow. They are sent home with a hole in them.

- Conchar Goronwy, Chasseur, 96e Infanterie

MADE-TO-ORDERS



TYPE: BERSERKER SQUAD

REMARKS

Lupar that succumb to their savage impulses begin to physically degenerate into larger, anatomically misshapen, asymmetric forms with degenerated sanity and mental acuity. While the Regency has sought to harness and improve this process, their scientific studies have born little fruit. The semi-feral, electrode-controlled results are dubbed "made-to-orders".

While MTOs are neither capable of or willing to operate firearms or obey complex commands, the A.E.F. has still found employment for them as both all-terrain pack mules and shock troops: modern berserkers, reliant on claws and teeth.

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MADE-TO-ORDERS - 10 pts

BERSERKER SQUAD

Inf (S), H1, S24", M5", Q6, T1+/1+/1+
Amphibious, Bloodlust, Tow (2), Sense (6")

Mutated Teeth & Claws

Inf/Vec, R0", A1+/1+, S1+/1+, D3
Melee

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If you know what it's like to walk with an ankle bracelet, I understand why you're in the infantry. If you know what it's like to walk on a crutch, I understand why you got out. Either way, you'll know one half of what it's like to walk like an MTO.

They spend a lot of time re-learning the basics. How to take each step, how to eat. It used to be impossible to do safely. See those shiny coils jammed into the primary head? That's the "prod brain". Keeps them quiet, massages the crunched parts of their gray matter until it stops humming. You only have to tell a lupe when to stop killing, after all.

Damage to the exposed prod brain produces profound emotional disturbance in a living berserker. Shooting the coil or shooting the handler happens more often than you think. The Heufliger Tapes and the Cencetta Reel are just textbook examples of a common autopsy; teething marks on the legs and forearms don't imply autocannibalism. They imply stress relief through habitual self-harm.

It goes deeper than appetite. They know what has been done to them.

- Johannes Veeneman, F.S-A. General Staff

WAYKEEPERS



WAYKEEPERS - 15 pts

RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTORS

Inf (S), H1, S24", M5", Q4, T1/1/1
Amphibious, Guidance (12"), Infiltrator,
Sense (8")

Mle. 32 .30 Self-loading Rifle

All, R8", A3+/4+, S1/1+, D1
Small Arm

Teeth & Claws

Inf, R0", A1+/1+, S1/1, D1,
Melee

Stimulant-Laced Bomb, "Signal Salt"

Gnd, R6", A++/+++, D1, Ammo 1
Light Indirect, Radius (3"), Rally (Salt)

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TYPE: RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTORS

REMARKS

Traditional, wandering religious order of legal authorities, lorekeepers, advisors in spiritual and political matters, and the former wardens of the Ebon Forest's tenuous traderoads. Universally respected by the luparic populace; though not formally recognized by the Regency, their activity continues unimpeded.

The presence of waykeepers in an A.E.F. unit markedly reduces observed incidences of frontline savagery or cannibalism under fire. Established waykeepers are often joined on the field by novices in their tutelage, bolstering their numbers to squad strength.

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The grass-stained robes are a welcome sight to any man. A waykeeper is a man of the spirit. He knows what gnaws at those he sees. It is said even a glance is enough for a learned keeper to read a man's heart. Other things are not said when even the rumor of their coming arises. The hushed voices speak of what lies under the robes. They say the waykeeper knows his secrets by experience.

There are some that cannot help themselves unless the waykeeper is standing behind them. They take pains to clean their teeth and hide what they did. Sometimes they can hide the guilt. No man that I have broken salt pork with has willingly given into his desires while the waykeepers are near.

- Conchar Goronwy, Chasseur, 96e Infanterie

BOUNDERS



TYPE: ANTI-MATERIEL/SNIPER TEAM

REMARKS

High-caliber anti-materiel rifles, while no longer effective against tanks (their original role), are still able to penetrate light armor and destroy important components such as engines. They also turn infantry into red mists.

A.E.F. scout-snipers are issued particularly heavy weapons straddling the line between rifles and light cannons. The monstrous APX-25, firing 1-inch (25.4mm) high velocity explosive rounds from a squeeze-bore barrel, has seen significant use even against personnel, evidently in the role of a terror weapon.

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BOUNDERS - 20 pts

ANTI-MATERIEL/SNIPER TEAM

Inf, H1, S32", M5", Q2, T1/1-/1-
Amphibious, Bloodlust, Infiltrator, Sense (6")

Mle. 32 .30 Self-loading Rifle

All, R8", A4+/4+, S1/1+, D1
Small Arm

APX-25 1-inch Anti-Tank Rifle

All, R32", A3+/xx, S4/6, D1,
 Ammo 4
No CC (Inf.), Scoped

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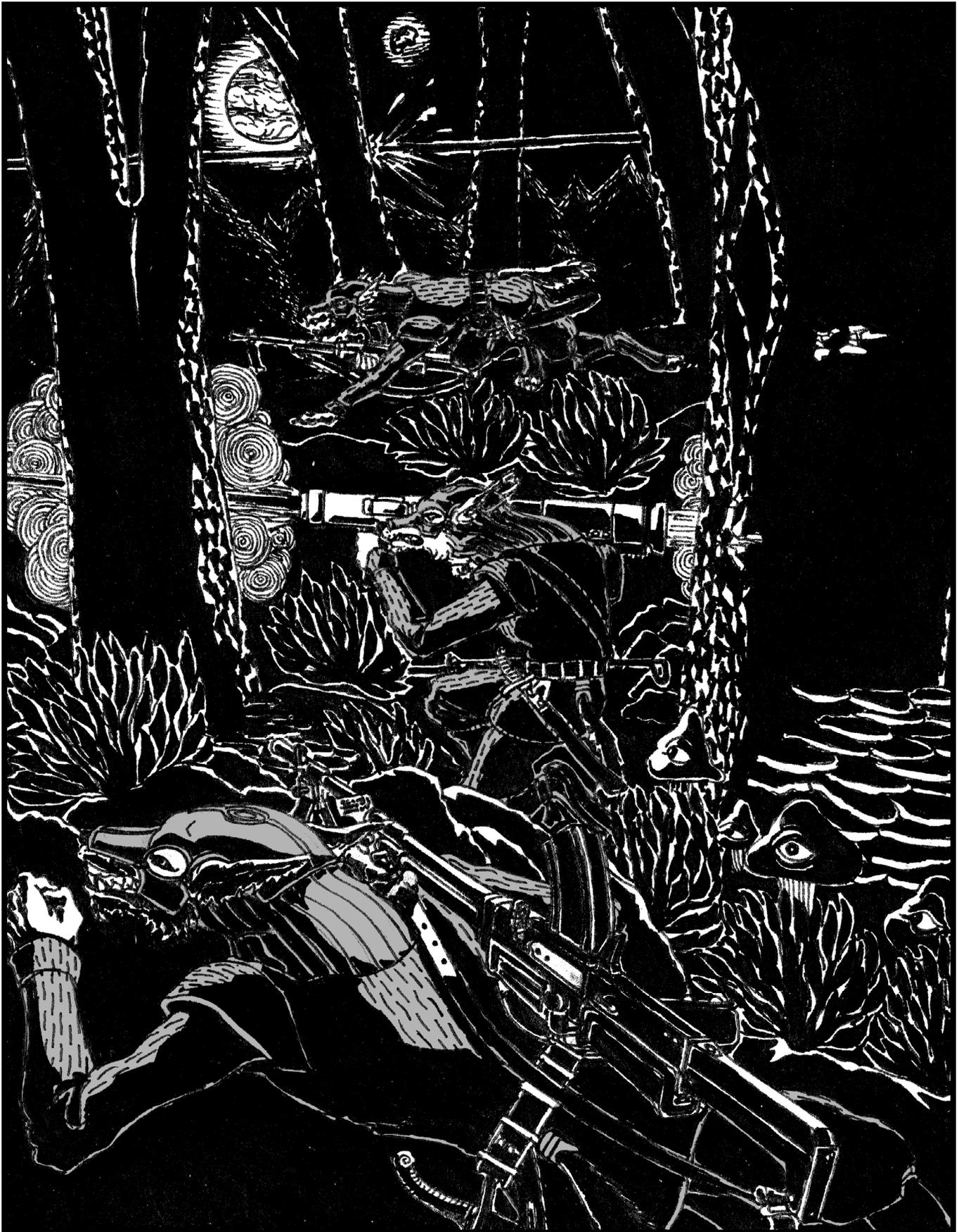
Customarily you'd call it overkill. You don't necessarily need a 25-millimeter round (to say nothing of the explosive filling) to pierce a flak jacket. Something rifle-caliber, maybe even suppressed, wouldn't signal to every deaf old man in the sector that there were snipers around.

See, that's the point. They're dogfaces. They know how to slip away, become a shadow of a shadow even with a big steel crutch hanging off their back. They want you to know that they're there. That one moment you're in their sights, and the next you're so much vapor.

I did get my hands on an APX-25 with some ammo a while back. The shell cap used to be tungsten, for penetrating armor. Some of them still are. But a lot are just mild steel.

Maybe they're critically short of tungsten, like what the guys upstairs say. Or maybe the assembly-line dogs already know what they're gonna be shot at.

- Rayleigh Irving, Federal Intelligence



CHAPTER 4 VEHICLES & TOWED GUNS

Though the A.E.F. has been whipped into a state of basic mechanization—sporting a minimum acceptable quantity of trucks, tanks, and specialist vehicles—it cannot hope to trade armored blows with its Federal opposition for long. Without the industrial muscle to produce vast flotillas of tanks, they must carefully shepherd what they have. In fact, most A.E.F. tanks were originally produced (even if only partially) on a Federal assembly line.

Some lupar heavy metal is better than the rest. Their towed and mounted artillery are of heavier weight than Federal equivalents, putting their gunners’ brute strength to use hauling high-caliber shells instead of swinging machetes. Dangerous as open ground is to them, lupar infantry can count on their artillery to have their back.

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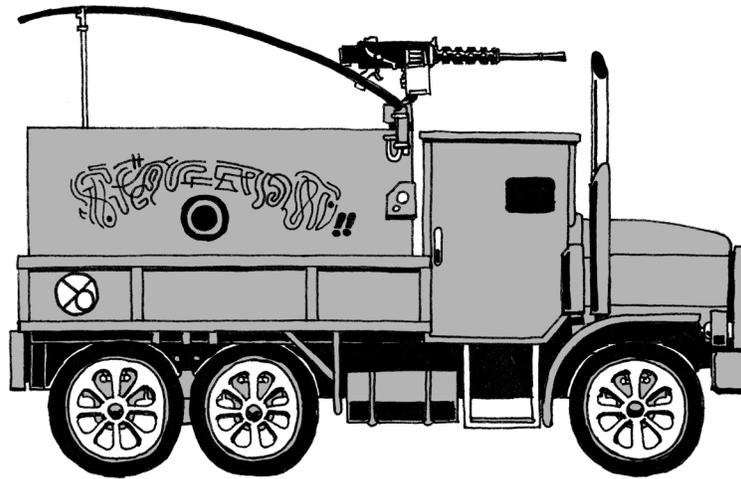
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CdS-F1 "KENNEL"



TYPE: LOGISTICS TRUCK

REMARKS

Hybrid logistics truck and convoy security vehicle. Ubiquitous in A.E.F. service. Armed with the standard MtL. 19 heavy machine gun in .50 (12.7mm) caliber. Lightly up-armored across the bed and cab with simple steel plating; resistant to rifle fire but not true anti-tank weapons.

Capable of both transporting troops and cargo while offering a modicum of protection and firepower—the minimum acceptable standard for convoy transport through the hazardous inroads of the Ebon Forest.

Goes under no official A.E.F. designation; "Kennel" is a Federal appellation owing to their frequently overloaded state. This name is considered insulting by their crews.

FEDERAL STATES-ARMY - DREKFORT M.D.C.

CdS-F1 "KENNEL" - 10 pts

IMPROVISED GUN TRUCK

Vec (W), H2, S16", M8", Q2, T2/2/1
PC (2, Rear) , Resupply (6), Tow (3)

MtL. 19 .50 HMG

All, R20", A4+/6+, S2/3, D2
Turret

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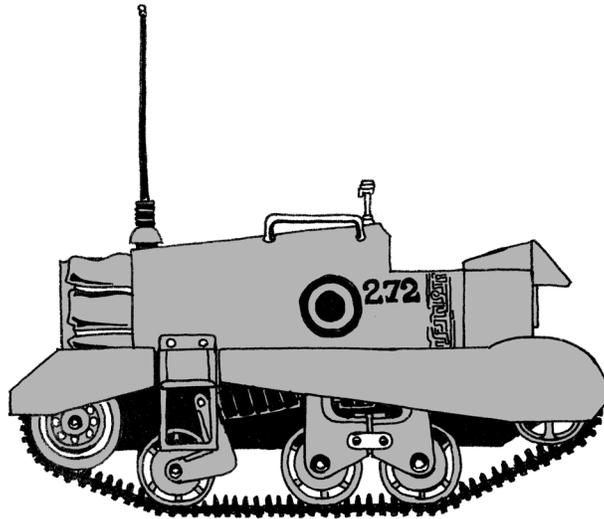
I have seen countless obliterated Kennels. There is a resilient myth among the dogs that death in an ammunition cookoff is instantaneous.

I can almost hear them:

"I smell them, Rhodri. I hear the beat of the guns. Quickly, let me see them! Quickly, through the mud!"

- Johannes Veeneman, F.S-A. General Staff

VBD-U "DENMOTHER"



TYPE: UNIVERSAL CARRIER

REMARKS

Diminutive, long-served ultralight personnel carrier adapted from obsolete tankettes decades ago. Too small to carry a squad, and itself typically unarmed. Equipped with universal, mechanically stabilized mounting points for heavy weapons, as well as a modern diesel engine.

FEDERAL STATES-ARMY - DREKFORT M.D.C.

It's tougher than when it first rolled off the lines, although that meant deleting the anti-tank rifle or MG these used to be packed with. Plainly, I'm dumbfounded they're still around.

Sure, it's a nice fast ride with a little protection for ATGM luggers or mortarmen. Those poor junior officers with the black cockades use 'em, too, going back and forth under fire with the engine zipping.

But come on. Look at it. Let old dogs lie where they belong: in a museum.

- Rayleigh Irving, Federal Intelligence

VBD-U "DENMOTHER" - 5 pts

UNIVERSAL CARRIER

Vec, H1, S16", M8", Q2, T3/2/1+
PC (1, All)

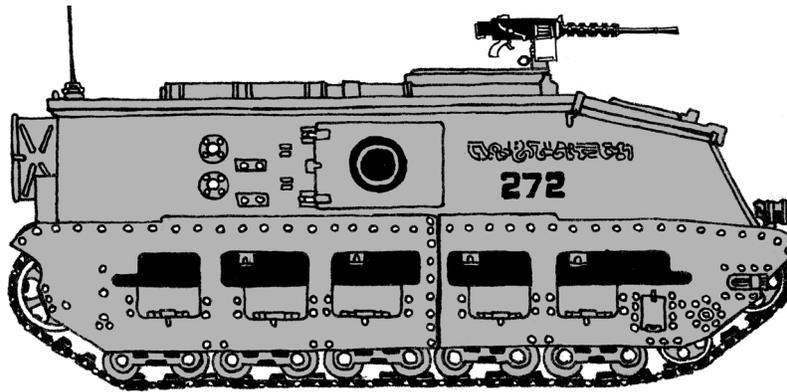
This unit uses a 40x40mm base. Infantry cannot desant. Embarked infantry may fire all weapons as if they were Small Arms and are identified along with the vehicle. Embarked units may use their own spotting.

FEDERAL STATES-ARMY - DREKFORT M.D.C.

An engine without a roof. Where there is gasoline and tool kits there are Denmothers. We do not have the blue soldiers' mighty warhorses. But a donkey will do.

- Conchar Goronwy, Chasseur, 96e Infanterie

VBD-1 "TANNER"



TYPE: ARMORED PERSONNEL CARRIER

REMARKS

The standard APC of the A.E.F.'s sparse mechanized forces. Itself a functional, if somewhat barebones, personnel carrier. Armed and armored for self-defense rather than carrying the fight to the enemy; its job is to safely deliver its troops and then withdraw.

The sole standard armament is a heavy machine gun available at the commander's hatch. While frontline modifications often include a gun shield, it is not a factory-issue item.

Displays amphibious capabilities, using a water-jet system copied from the Federal Type 60 APC (see **FM 100-1-8X**).

FEDERAL STATES-ARMY - DREKFORT M.D.C.

VBD-1 "TANNER" - 10 pts

ARMORED PERSONNEL CARRIER

Vec, H2, S32", M8", Q2, T4/4/3
Amphibious, NBC, PC (3, Rear)

Mtl. 19 .50 HMG

All, R20", A4+/6+, S2/3, D2
Turret

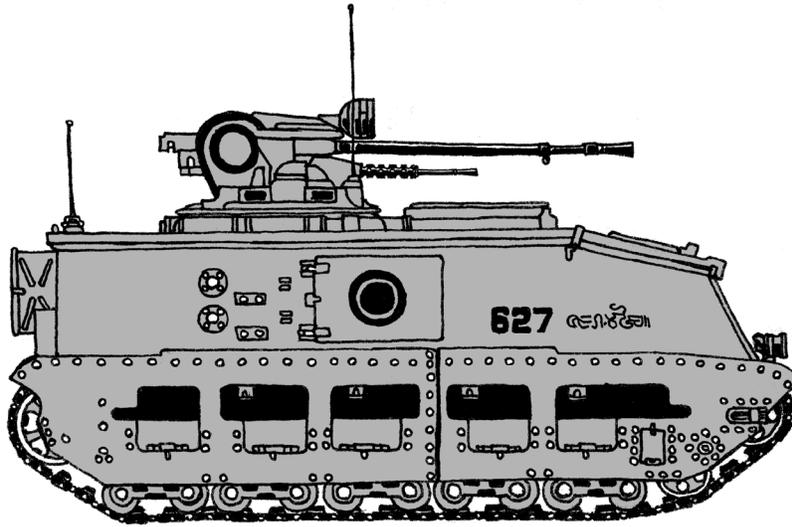
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The seats remove your hair when you stand. They are preferable to the long march and the shell splinters.

The ramp is hydraulic. When that is broken, the hand crank saves lives. A Tanner does not burn quickly.

- Conchar Goronwy, Chasseur, 96e Infanterie

VBD-2 "RAWHIDE"



TYPE: INFANTRY FIGHTING VEHICLE

REMARKS

Modification of the VBD-1 APC into an impromptu infantry fighting vehicle. Apart from a gentle up-armorng, the pintle heavy machine gun and commander's cupola has been removed in favor of a new turret and smoke launchers.

Mounting a 1-inch (25.4mm) autocannon and the standard .50 caliber (12.7mm) HMG, the Rawhide represents a significant firepower upgrade over the Tanner. Its troop capacity is inferior and its amphibious capacity, while ostensibly retained, is no longer practically usable considering its increased weight and higher center of gravity.

Aside from the White Gloves (who operate modified Bantams; see FM 100-1-8X), the VBD-2 is typically seen in the highest-quality A.E.F. formations.

FEDERAL STATES-ARMY - DREKFORT M.D.C.

VBD-2 "RAWHIDE" - 20 pts
INFANTRY FIGHTING VEHICLE

Vec, H2, S32", M8", Q2, T5/4/4
NBC, PC (2, Rear)

Mtl. 19 .50 HMG

All, R20", A4+/5+, S2/3, D2
Turret

APX-30 1-inch Autocannon

All, R32", A4+/5+, S4/6, D2,
 Ammo 4
No CC (Inf.), Turret

Smoke Launchers

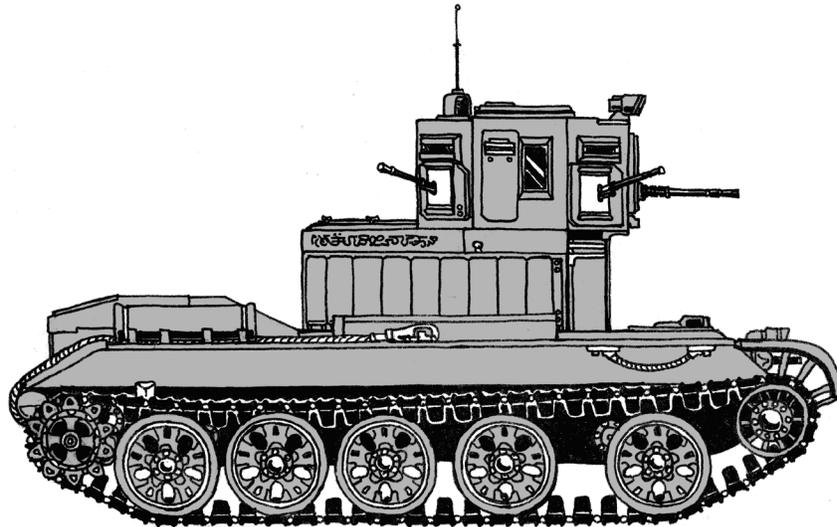
Gnd, R6", A++/+++, D1, Ammo 1
*Light Indirect, Lingering,
 Radius (4"), Smoke*

FEDERAL STATES-ARMY - DREKFORT M.D.C.

The dogfaces aren't terrible engineers; they just don't have a lot to work with. That beautiful turret's mated to the only hull they've got.

- Rayleigh Irving, Federal Intelligence

VBD-3 "MOTTE"



TYPE: ARMORED PERSONNEL CARRIER

REMARKS

A unique product of extensive battlefield salvage and severe industrial bottlenecks in the Ebon Forest. The Motte is little more than a refurbished, up-armored Razorback hull (often retrieved from wholly burnt-out tanks) mated to an indigenously manufactured "tower" sporting several machine guns of varying caliber.

Tank-tough, but with relatively poor troop carriage. Designed for heavy convoy security as a rolling fortress of sorts. Often deployed to the front as an assault vehicle capable of withstanding anti-tank weapons.

Because of its resilience and all-around antipersonnel firepower, it is well-suited to urban combat. Internal Security maintains and operates the majority of Mottes in the Ebon Forest's inventory.

FEDERAL STATES-ARMY - DREKFORT M.D.C.

VBD-3 "MOTTE" - 20 pts

ARMORED PERSONNEL CARRIER

Vec, H2, S32", M8", Q3, T16/10/6
NBC, PC (2, Rear, Front)

Mle. 38 .30 MG, swivels

All, R12", A4+/5+, S1/1+, D2
Turret

Mtl. 19 .50 HMG

All, R20", A4+/5+, S2/3, D2
Multi-Gun

Smoke Launchers

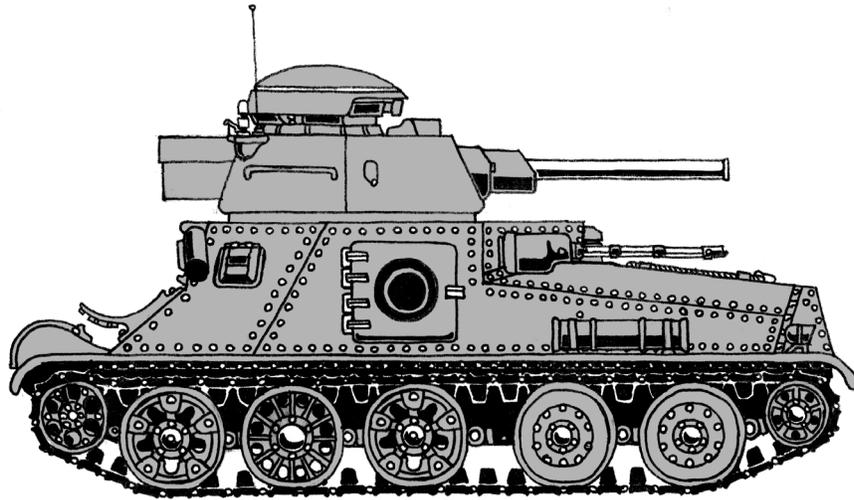
Gnd, R6", A++/+++, D1, Ammo 1
*Light Indirect, Lingering,
 Radius (4"), Smoke*

FEDERAL STATES-ARMY - DREKFORT M.D.C.

Wreathed in smoke and festooned in bone. A siege tower for the modern palisade. The hull has tasted fire before.

- Conchar Goronwy, Chasseur, 96e Infanterie

CHAR 30 "VELDJEN"



TYPE: MEDIUM TANK

REMARKS

Staple second-line tank of the Army of the Ebon Forest: derived variously from indigenous manufacture, decades-old captures, and foreign materiel aid programs. Relative to the modernized Veldjens in Federal service (see **FM 100-1-8X**) the gun is inferior, but great pains have been taken to upgrade its armor and power plant to a modern standard.

Due to its high mechanical reliability and relatively low weight, the Veldjen is well liked by lupar tankers as something capable of enduring both the local terrain and their poor supply of replacement parts. The hatches are overly small by their standards and the armor's protection is inadequate compared to a true main battle tank, yet the Veldjen remains ubiquitous.

Almost all Veldjens in luparic service are equipped with a sponson flamethrower.

FEDERAL STATES-ARMY - DREKFORT M.D.C.

CHAR 30 "VELDJEN" - 20 pts

MEDIUM TANK

Vec, H2, S32", M8", Q2, T10/6/5
NBC

Mle. 38 .30 MG

All, R12", A4+/6+, S1/1+, D2
Turret

SA19 3-inch Gun

R32", A4+/6+, D1, Ammo 6
No CC (Inf.), Turret

→ **3-inch APHE**

Vec, S8/12

→ **3-inch HE-Frag**

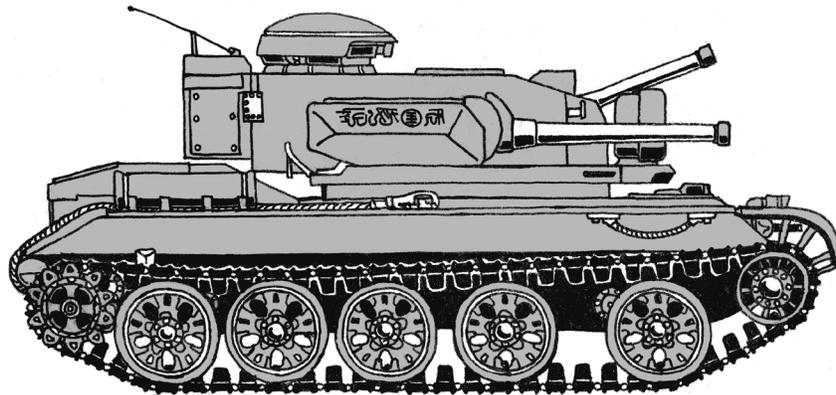
Inf/Vec, S3/3
Ignore Cover (1)

LF4 Sponson Flamethrower

Inf/Vec, R8", A3+/3+, S1+/1+, D3,
Ammo 3
*Ignore Cover (2), Multi-Gun,
Rear Attack*

FEDERAL STATES-ARMY - DREKFORT M.D.C.

CHAR 38 "BORVO"



TYPE: MAIN BATTLE TANK

REMARKS

A unique product of extensive battlefield salvage and severe industrial bottlenecks in the Ebon Forest. The Borvo is little more than Sa refurbished Razorback hull (often retrieved from wholly burnt-out tanks) and an indigenously manufactured turret sporting twin 3-inch (76mm) auto-loading guns.

Although the Borvo's twin guns enjoy modern fire control (by A.E.F. standards), their firepower is limited by their low caliber. Borvo jockeys are trained to deliver rapid follow-up salvos on target to mitigate this, buoyed by the generous ammunition stock aboard.

The gunner's station is equipped with modern thermal sights far superior to those usually observed on luparic tanks.

FEDERAL STATES-ARMY - DREKFORT M.D.C.

CHAR 38 "BORVO" - 40 pts

MAIN BATTLE TANK

Vec, H2, S32", M8", Q2, T14/8/6

NBC

Mle. 38 .30 MG

All, R12", A4+/5+, S1/1+, D2

Turret

SA19B 3-inch Dual Rifled Guns

A3+/4+, Ammo 6

Barrage (2), Thermal Sights, Turret*

**All attacks must target same unit.*

→ **3-inch APHE**

Vec, R40", S8/12, D1

No CC (Inf.)

→ **3-inch HEAT**

Inf/Vec, R40", S8/1+, D1

No CC (Inf.), Shaped Charge

→ **3-inch Canister**

Inf/Vec, R12", S1/1+, D3

Defensive CC

Smoke Launchers

Gnd, R6", A++/+++, D1, Ammo 1

Light Indirect, Lingering, No CC,

Radius (4"), Smoke, Turret

FEDERAL STATES-ARMY - DREKFORT M.D.C.

SUPPLEMENTAL FILES

THE FEDERAL thinks of the tank when he thinks of war. He sees a great mass of steel with grinding treads and a glowering gun-stare. When he is hidden under his cupola he may as well not exist. The big-gun exchanges are made between tanks and not men. It is a war of steel and not flesh.

We do not think this way. Our old stories are of war at the grapple. We are stirred by the sword and the pistol and teeth. Even now our machetes are put to practical work. In the compounds we are trained to use them well. Not for useless ceremony but for the campaign: how to whack to clear brush and how to split bone. Yet it is plain to see it is not enough.

I pity the men in the tanks. They understand they are wanted only by necessity. They are the runts who can fit without effort in the encaging steel. They are the ones whose right eyes are stamped with the disks of the gunner's sight—whose bumps and burns are patterned—who reek of oil and propellant. It has settled into their shaven pelts and skin so finely that it will never come out. They are components of their machine and it sets them apart.

No right-thinking man would mistreat them for this. It is unspoken knowledge that they are the ones who are burnt when they do not escape, who fight plenty with poverty. When their tanks roll on parade the learned observer sees the decades encrusting them beneath the fresh paint and jubilant banners.

- Conchar Goronwy, Chasseur, 96e Division d'Infanterie

LIGHT TANK "SOMFR"

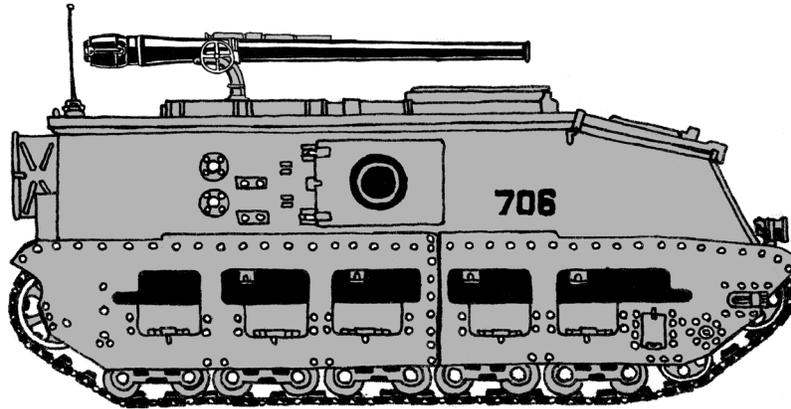
SOMFR's gone bust, now. The time when the Regency Council gave the wink-and-nod to the myriad secret societies in its armed forces has passed—the current man in the high collar is awfully afraid of that sort of thing (with good reason). The best engineers are in the various State Bureaus now, living the good life under armed guard. Not like the old days, when every dog of stature had some second job under his rose cap.

Well, while they didn't last, their efforts did, in a way. The SOMFR (the real design designation is lost to history; it and its designers are one and the same) was an old light tank, a contemporary to the Veldjen. A little big-tracked, with this sort of moorhen-chick look, but lots of engine power where it was needed. It pioneered the prone driver position that they've made dogma now to the point of hacking it into their Razorback rebuilds. They were proud of the SOMFR, like anything modern that they can build themselves.

It's no longer in use anywhere, at least by the Ebon Forest. There's only so far you can take a little turret ring like that. But the drivetrain and lower hull have enjoyed a working retirement. Look at almost any lupe APC or light track: you'll see those little shielded wheels somewhere.

- Rayleigh Irving, Federal Intelligence

VBD-1B "TANNER-R"



TYPE: RECOILLESS RIFLE CARRIER

REMARKS

Modification of the VBD-1 APC into a fire support vehicle, armed with the heavy TAP 30 recoilless rifle on a roof mount. Though as poorly-armored as the Tanner, the Tanner-R remains a significant threat owing to its firepower and range of ammunition types.

Standard ammunition issue includes HEAT (for anti-tank/anti-materiel) and canister (anti-personnel) loads, as well as smoke shells to prepare engagements.

Though most of the troop compartment has been repurposed as an ammunition locker (including the installation of ad-hoc blowout panels), enough space remains for a very basic troop carriage capacity. The original amphibious water-jet system is also still functional.

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VBD-1B "TANNER-R" - 15 pts RECOILLESS RIFLE CARRIER

Vec, H2, S32", M8", Q2, T4/4/3
Amphibious, NBC, PC (1, Rear)

TAP 30 4.2-inch Recoilless Rifle

Ammo 4

→ **4.2-inch HEAT**

Inf/Vec, R24", A4+/6+, S10/2, D1
No CC (Inf.), Shaped Charge

→ **4.2-inch Canister**

Inf/Vec, R12", A4+/6+, S1/1+, D4
Defensive CC

→ **4.2-inch Smoke**

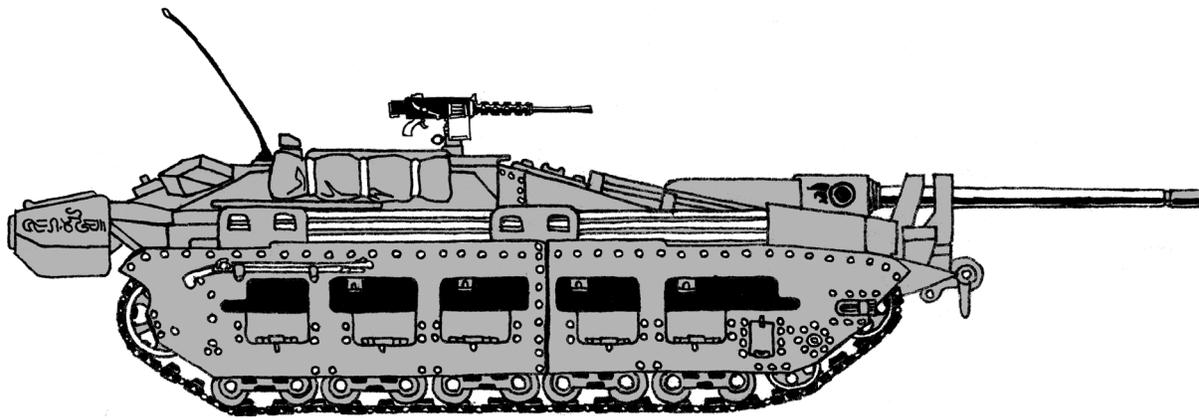
Gnd, R24", A++/+++, D1
*No CC (Inf.), Lingering, Radius (4"),
Smoke*

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The TAP 30 is the only rifle too big for them to carry. They hate when you say that.

- Johannes Veeneman, F.S.A. General Staff

CdA-25 "SAUCER"



TYPE: TANK DESTROYER

REMARKS

Low-profile, thin-skinned tank destroyer. Relatively fast for its weight class. Armed with a 2.5-inch (63.5mm) high-velocity gun. No explosive shell is provided, but a standard heavy machine gun on a ring mount provides some anti-infantry capacity.

As a turretless, low-profile vehicle, the Saucer is best suited to ambush roles—capable of concealing itself even in brush, fields, or other low occluding terrain. It is not exceptionally survivable in a prolonged gunnery exchange.

A.E.F. written doctrine dictates that Saucers should disengage after firing a few rounds from each prepared position, but poor crew training and general blood-thirstiness often conflicts with this.

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CdA-25 "SAUCER" - 20 pts

TANK DESTROYER

Vec, H1, S32", M10", Q2, T6/3/2

NBC

Mtl. 19 .50 HMG

All, R20", A4+/6+, S2/3, D2
Turret

SA25 2.5-inch High Velocity Gun

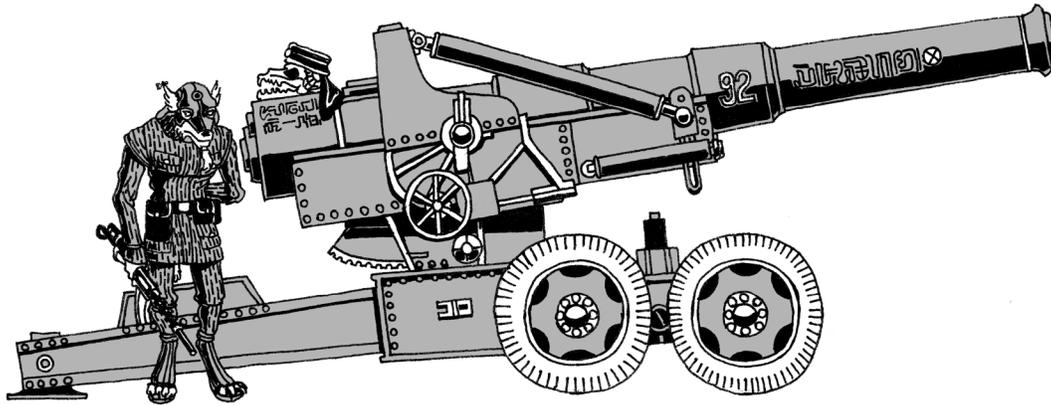
Vec, R40", A4+/6+, S12/18, D1,
Ammo 4
No CC (Inf.)

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An unexpected rival to the Veldjen-M. The Lupes devised an elegant gun, but didn't put it in a turret, thus inciting a lot of suicidal theatrics from Saucer drivers in the name of the hunt. Remember: wolves don't look away from their prey. If a lupe can't turn his head, he won't run circles. He'll run forward.

- Johannes Veeneman, F.S-A. General Staff

DAG-16 "CHERRY"



TYPE: TOWED HOWITZER

REMARKS

Heavy, large-bore towed artillery forming the backbone of the A.E.F.'s dismounted "leg" formations. Even on the modern battlefield, crowded with heavy metal, big guns are king: invaluable both in supporting assaults or stiffening defenses with heavy fire support.

Luparic artillerymen leverage their race's strength to handle 7.8-inch (200mm) shells in similar fashion to the F.S.A.'s own 152mm equivalents. Consequently guns of this caliber are issued as standard support weapons rather than being relegated to specialist batteries.

Despite its age, the DAG-16 complex is notoriously efficient in counter-battery fire and anti-tank roles from concealed ambush positions.

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DAG-16 "CHERRY" - 25 pts

TOWED HOWITZER

Vec, H1, S24", M2", Q2, T1/1-/1-

Mle. 32 .30 Self-loading Rifle

All, R8", A4+/4+, S1/1+, D1
Small Arm

DAG-16 7.8-inch Howitzer

Ammo 3
No CC

→ 7.8-inch HEAT

Inf/Vec, R40", A3+/xx, S16/3, D1
Shaped Charge

→ 7.8-inch Frag

Gnd, R∞", A4+/xx, S[D6], D3
*Air-Filling, Heavy Indirect (4),
Radius (3")*

→ 7.8-inch Canister

Inf/Vec, R20", A4+/xx, S1/1, D6

→ 7.8-inch Smoke

Gnd, R∞, A++/xx, D1
*Heavy Indirect (4), Lingering,
Radius (5"), Smoke*

FEDERAL STATES-ARMY - DREKFORT M.D.C.

SUPPLEMENTAL FILES

WE'D BEEN GETTING HELL on Shave Ridge (thus earning it its namesake; before us it was just Feature 5) for two weeks when, without further warning, the hail of heavy shells lifted like the end of a tropical torrent, and we were able to peek out of our fighting positions.

Nothing but the misty wall of pines and torn rock faced us. Not a lupar to be seen. They gave us that hill. Command said it was a "poison pill", some bighair stuff I don't guess about. Sent the 78th in to scout what the Lupes were up to.

Well, we get no resistance going into the treeline; very uncharacteristic of the foe. Walk all the way up to their concealed firing positions - way behind a hill, no direct line of sight or anything, way further back than we'd thought the whole time, based on what we knew of their pieces. How they had been shaving that ridge of trees and men from such a distance with such accuracy was a mystery to us.

Then I tripped over a wire hidden in the loam. We followed it a klick, and it ended in a crude wooden post. We found a clawtappy, a thing like a finger telegraph, in a tree with a big glass "ear" hanging on a strap. Someone else found similar going the other direction, up another tree. Dead lupe hanging on that one, his ear still connected by a latex tube to the glass bowl.

We figured it out eventually. Those dogs had never really wanted Shave Ridge anyway- the 52nd was just target practice for this system they were cooking up. A sort of crude audial targeting computer, I guess. We've had more of this since. Explains why we keep finding finer and finer threads on their old guns, too.

Y'know how good they are at hearing our patrols creep up on 'em. No sense in that, whether in the dark of night or the din of battle. Well, they put that to use with the big guns. HQ reckons they heard us tramping about, loading shells in our counterbatteries. Everything. That's why we changed the doctrine. No counterfire when Lupe 200s are known to be on the line, now!

- Cpl. Piet Asterman, 2-78 Cavalry Scouts

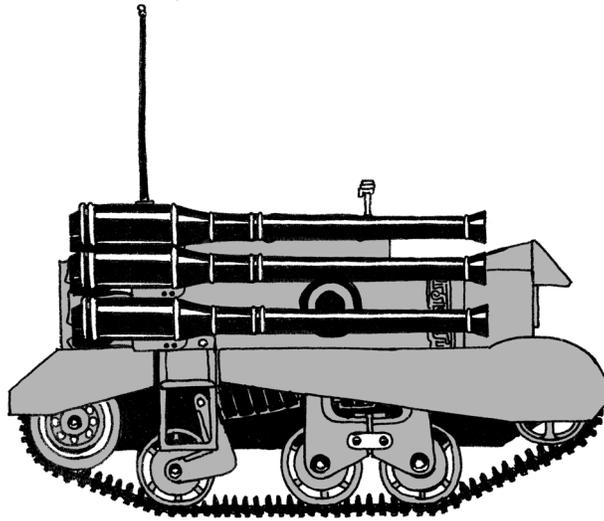
IN OLDEN TIMES our dead were boiled to clean them of their meat. Today I trade Eoghan for a bottle of herb spirits. The top of his mouth was pierced by a needle from the hairless men's cannons and he says the brew tastes vile now.

There is a picture of a dead man on the bottle. A skeleton. He smiles because he has no lips with which to frown. We were picked to fire the rockets because we can read better than most. I read on the bottle that it was brewed in a vessel for cleaning the dead.

I put a measure in the pan and drink it. My heart makes a sound like someone has caught it in their fist, then released it. The cleaners knew their trade.

-Laval, Grande Batterie No. 37

VBD SPECIAL "LUGUS"



TYPE: RECOILLESS RIFLE CARRIER

REMARKS

Field modification of the VBD-U light carrier into an impromptu fire support/tank destroyer complex. Nothing more than a set of six TAP 30 infantry recoilless rifles bolted to the frame.

While as vulnerable to fire as its parent hull, the Lugus is capable of unleashing grossly disproportionate firepower for its weight class. Not many ground targets remain mission-capable after a volley of six 4.2-inch (106mm) rounds. The standard ammunition complement remains, including canister and smoke rounds.

A modern optics package has been installed in the gunner's station to enable accurate spotting at range.

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VBD SPECIAL "LUGUS" - 25 pts RECOILLESS RIFLE CARRIER

Vec, H1, S32", M8", Q3, T3/2/1+

This unit uses a 40x40mm base.

Infantry cannot desant.

TAP 30 4.2-inch Recoilless Rifle Battery

Ammo 6

*Barrage (6)**

**All attacks must target same unit.*

→ **4.2-inch HEAT**

Inf/Vec, R24", A4+/6+, S10/2, D1

No CC (Inf.), Shaped Charge

→ **4.2-inch Canister**

Inf/Vec, R12", A4+/6+, S1/1+, D4

Defensive CC

→ **4.2-inch Smoke**

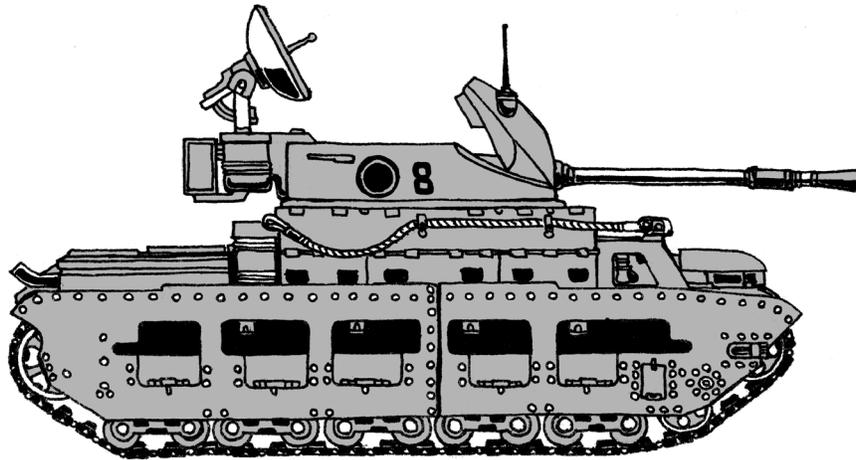
Gnd, R24", A++/+++, D1

No CC (Inf.), Lingering, Radius (4"),

Smoke

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CdA-36 "BROOMCLOUD"



TYPE: SELF-PROPELLED ANTI-AIR GUN

REMARKS

Short-range A.E.F. air defense complex. Centered around a single-barreled APX-40 autocannon firing proximity-fused 1.5-inch (38mm) shells. Basic target acquisition and tracking by a last-generation fire control radar is offered.

As an open-topped vehicle the Broomcloud is generally unsuited to combat environs heavily saturated with artillery fire or NBC threats. Its low weight, however, endears it to A.E.F. commanders operating in the difficult terrain typical to their homeland.

A large stock of ammunition permits both extended firing and an additional anti-infantry fire support duty.

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CdA-36 "BROOMCLOUD" - 25 pts

SELF-PROPELLED ANTI-AIR GUN

Vec, H2, S32", M10", Q3, T6/3/1+

APX-40 1.5-inch Autocannon

All, R36", A4+/4+, S5/7, D2,
Ammo 6

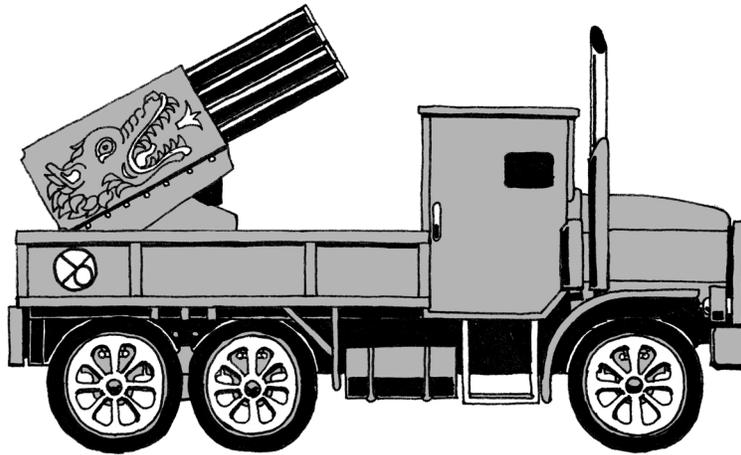
No CC (Inf.), Radar-Guided Gun,
Tracking, Turret

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The Broomcloud has a kind of picture-book quality to it. It is nostalgic, that is to say. It returns you to a time before the Federals had answered the air defense question, when radar was something you found inside a big silver dish. It has every hallmark of that bygone era, from the gunner's open canopy to the spindly saucer quivering over his shoulder. Frankly, I think it's cute.

- Johannes Veeneman, F.S-A. General Staff

CdS-F2 "AURORA"



TYPE: ROCKET TRUCK

REMARKS

Modification of the CdS-F1 gun truck into a mobile rocket artillery system (retaining the up-armored cab). 5.2-inch (132mm) rocket barrages are not exceptionally accurate, but capable of saturating a wide area with a rapid volley, after which the Aurora can quickly reposition and reload.

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The rockets are a test of patience. We endure hardship for the promise of reward. We lift the bombs and force them into the tubes. The smell of the fuel makes us all drool. Laboriously we plug the wires. We pack the rest into the bed. When we fire we will drive away quickly, before the flying men reply with a storm of their own.

The first rocket fires, followed by the others in sequence so fast they make one sound. I hold my mouth open to protect my ears. My lips peel back, my tongue lolls. I am on my mother's farm again and I am running. In this dream I am faster than my littermates. I will be the first this time.

We drive away. Exhaust from the rockets has scorched the flowers.

-Laval, Grande Batterie No. 37

CdS-F2 "AURORA" - 30 pts

ROCKET TRUCK

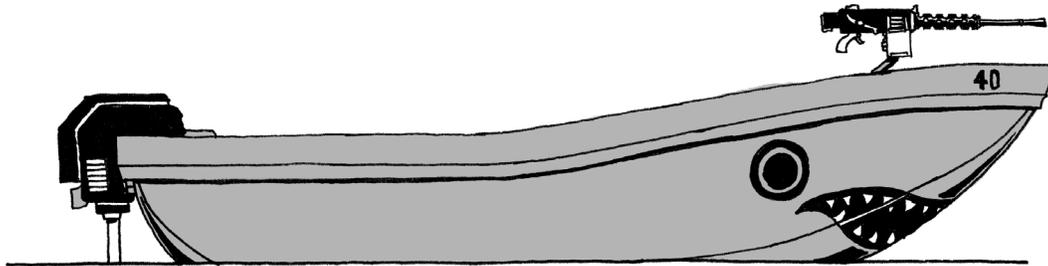
Vec (W), H2, S16", M8", Q2, T2/2/1

Mle. 13 5.2-inch Rocket Rack

Gnd, R12"-∞", A3+/4+, S6/6, D1,
 Ammo 6
*Air-filling, Ignore Cover (1),
 Heavy Indirect (3), No CC,
 Saturating (6)*

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VdIM-K "KARVE"



TYPE: SPEEDBOAT

REMARKS

Lightweight military motorboat developed for covert insertions along the Ebon River's Federal-territorial banks. Since adopted by the wider A.E.F. into general service. Fast, spacious enough for a couple squads, and armed with a single heavy machine gun to suppress enemies on the approaching riverbank.

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An ancestor of mine, Teru Goronwy, was a retainer of Clan Koskal. His lot was the river. He made many voyages to the other clans and the lands of the flat-faced men. He spilled blood on seawatered decks. His vessel was the karve.

It was wood and not aluminum. Where now squats the outboard motor there was an oar to steer with. The clan's heraldry flew on the great square sail. It was a ship of commerce as well as war. Most of Teru's voyages were peaceful.

There are still traders on the Ebon River. They brave it although it has been heavily torpedoed. Sometimes the enemy falls on them while they cross his country. It is an occupation that permits no silver hairs. But the bounties are worth it.

- Conchar Goronwy, Chasseur, 96e Infanterie

VdIM-K "KARVE" - 10 pts

SPEEDBOAT

Vec, H1, S32", M12", Q2, T2/2/1

PC (4, All), Watercraft

Mtl. 19 .50 HMG

All, R20", A4+/4+, S2/3, D2

Turret

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CHAPTER 5 AIRCRAFT

If A.E.F. ground vehicles are lackluster, the same cannot be said for its rotorcraft. The Regency Council preferentially funds its best formations with modern equipment as can be acquired. Unlike their Federal opponents, they place great stock in the helicopter as a future combat platform- able to both rapidly transport men and materiel, and inflict devastating damage with high mobility. Accordingly, their aircraft industry receives better funding and more attention than its automotive equivalents.

Unlike Federal combat aircraft, designed for ground support and long-duration combat patrols under turboprop propulsion, the fixed-wing craft of the Air Army of the Ebon Forest (A.A.E.F.) are made for short and dangerous missions. They field a variety of jet interceptors and attack aircraft, built in limited numbers to a high manufacturing standard

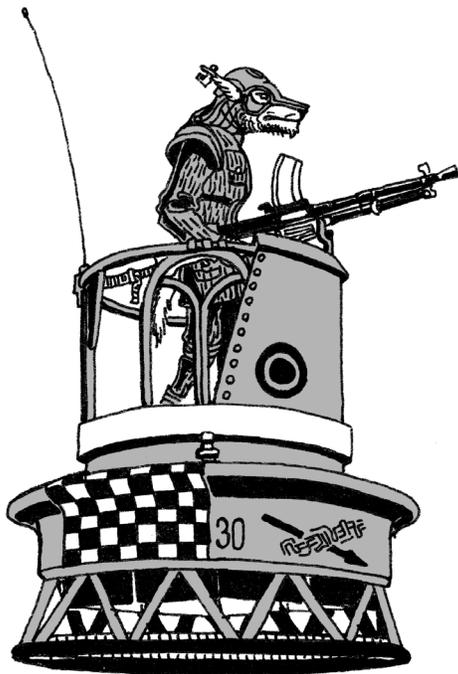
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VZ61 "CHARIOTS"



VZ61 "CHARIOTS" - 15 pts
 DUCTED FAN PLATFORMS

Air, H1, S24", M18", Q2, T1+/1/1

This unit uses a 40x40mm base and is depleted as if it were an infantry squad. When landed, unit class counts as Inf (S); it may fire all weapons and enter close combat as if it were infantry. May land in forests and inside of buildings as a squad-sized garrison.

Mle. 38 .30 LMG

All, R10", A4+/5+, S1/1+, D2
 Turret

Mle. 44 3.5-inch RPG

All, R8", A4+/6+, S8/1+, D1
 Ammo 4
 Shaped Charge, Turret

FEDERAL STATES-ARMY - DREKFORT M.D.C.

TYPE: DUCTED FAN PLATFORMS

REMARKS

One of several experimental State Aircraft Bureau projects fast-tracked to production against recent Federal territorial gains. Little more than a small engine and ducted fan surmounted by a chariot-esque platform (hence its users' appellation for the vehicle). Steering is via leaning; mounting points are provided for the typical chasseur-issue small arms.

Chariots permit rapid airmobile infantry deployment at the cost of certain inherent downsides; the inability to operate inside personnel carriers and greater difficulty obtaining effective cover, among others.

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You'd never believe it if you didn't see it.

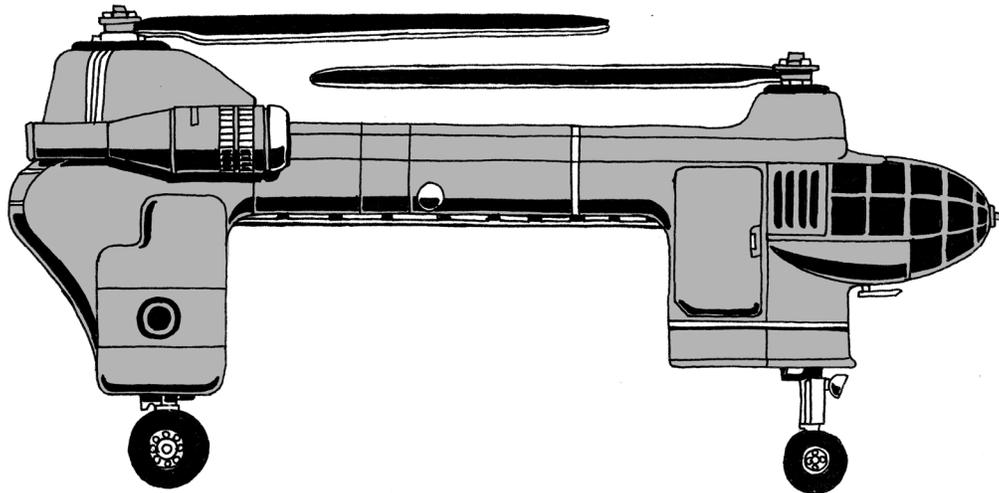
Many of my fellow analysts (I don't want to call them buddies) have this weird impression that the Ebon Forest is a bunch of growling primitives clutching stamped-steel rifles. Well, they are, but my coworkers seem to think that's all they can do. They'll point to Veldjens and Cherries and what-have-you and conclude that we're comfortably ahead.

The truth is that the dogfaces have to pick and choose what they really pour money into. For the Regent, that choice wasn't ground vehicles. I guess he felt like he wasn't gonna beat us at our own game. In any case, they can build enough of them to give us a real headache, and, somehow, they've got the avgas too.

I'm more worried about the latter, really.

- Rayleigh Irving, Federal Intelligence

AES514 "BACKBONE"



TYPE: HEAVY LIFT HELICOPTER

REMARKS

Heavy transport helicopter arranged in a "skycrane" layout. Necessary systems are concentrated in fore and aft sections, with a reinforced "spine" equipped with airtowing gear. Capable of lifting most vehicles—a flying prime mover.

A deployable "bridge" provides a stable foothold for infantry underneath the spine. Thick gantry shields offer these troops superior protection while permitting them to employ any of their carried weapons.

The pilot, as in most State Aircraft Bureau designs, lies prone in a "glass teardrop" canopy. Limited space for an upright flight engineer-radioman exists in a cabin behind him. The twin counter-rotating propeller shafts are capable of partially retracting for storage in low hangars.

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AES514 "BACKBONE" - 20 pts

HEAVY LIFT HELICOPTER

Air, H2, S32", M24", Q2, T4/4/4
Chaff-Flares, PC (2, Sides), Tow (10)

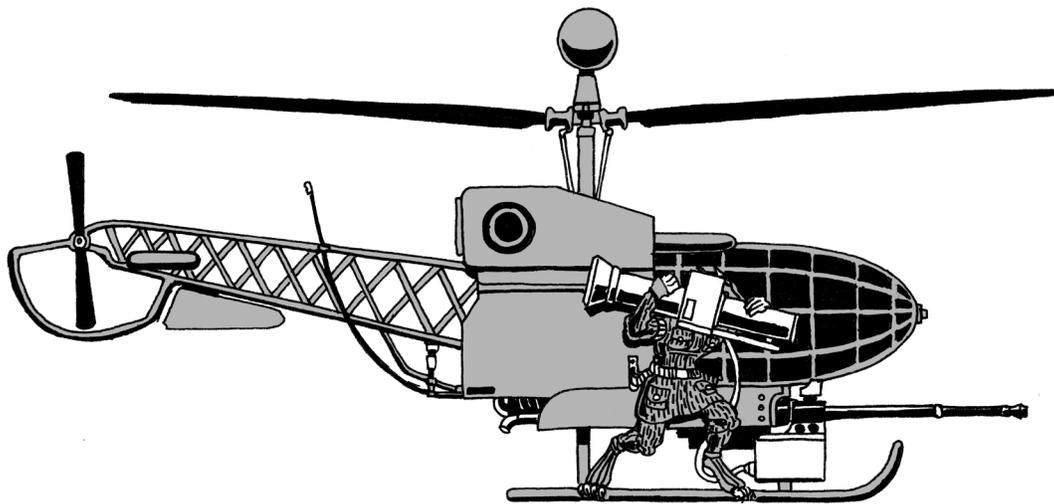
Towed vehicles count as airborne. Towed units cannot tow other units. May hitch and unhitch vehicles while airborne. Embarked infantry can fire all weapons at stationary accuracy.

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Waste not, want not. The A.E.F. hates to leave even a burnt hulk unclaimed, let alone a perfectly good tank or howitzer. Give them a few minutes to hold the perimeter and one of these ugly beasts will be along to pick up the loot, leaving with guards clinging to its rigging.

- Rayleigh Irving, Federal Intelligence

AES805 "TORNADO"



TYPE: ATTACK HELICOPTER

REMARKS

Light attack helicopter produced by the State Aircraft Bureau. A highly skeletal design with most of its armor being bulletproof glass and applique sheets over an exposed engine. Very fast and agile. Notoriously effective, despite its ad-hoc origins, in "pop-up" ambushes from behind cover.

Primary armament is the APX-30 1-inch (25.4mm) autocannon for attacking ground targets or slow-flying aircraft. Infantry retention straps are provided along the hull; those examples lacking a mounted SD84 ATGM complex instead sport an anti-tank gunner clinging to the skids.

As with the Backbone, Tornado pilots fly prone, occupying a bulletproofed "glass teardrop" cockpit. The Tornado's light frame and low profile make it easier to conceal when landed than most attack helicopters.

FEDERAL STATES-ARMY - DREKFORT M.D.C.

AES805 "TORNADO" - 30 pts

ATTACK HELICOPTER

Air, H1, S32", M32", Q3, T3/3/2

Chaff-Flares

APX-30 1-inch Autocannon

All, R32", A4+/5+, S4/6, D2,
Ammo 4

SD84 4.7-inch Missile Launcher

S14/2, D1, Ammo 4
*Door Gun (Front, Sides),
Guided Missile (2), Shaped Charge*

→ **ATGM Guidance Mode**

Vec, R6-60", A3+/4+

→ **MANPADS Guidance Mode**

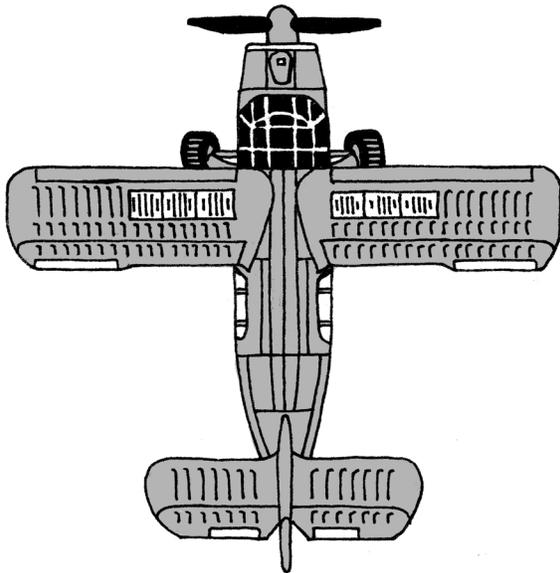
Air, R60", A4+/4+

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"Aim and wink at the moons."

- Luparic proverb

R-2 "CHIEN DE CHASSE"



R-2 "CHIEN DE CHASSE" - 10 pts
RECONNAISSANCE AIRCRAFT

Air (CAS), M10", Q2, T2
Loiter

*Does not break designation when it moves.
 Designation is broken when the target leaves
 the aircraft's frontal arc.*

Mtl. 19 .50 HMGs, dual
 All, R4", A6+, S2, D2
Mle. 7 Laser Designator
 All, R40", A++, D1
Designator

FEDERAL STATES-ARMY - DREKFORT M.D.C.

TYPE: RECONNAISSANCE AIRCRAFT

REMARKS

Common, ubiquitous trainer, reconnaissance and fire direction aircraft. Originally devised as a crop-duster and forestry aircraft for use in the rural Ebon Forest. Designed to operate on dirt runways and on packed snow, with no supporting infrastructure. Its mechanical simplicity, highly forgiving handling, and practically nonexistent stall speed endear it to trainee A.A.E.F. pilots.

In combat service, the Chien de Chasse is typically employed as a forward controller for artillery batteries, painting targets for Cherries with a laser designator and adjusting their fire by radio.

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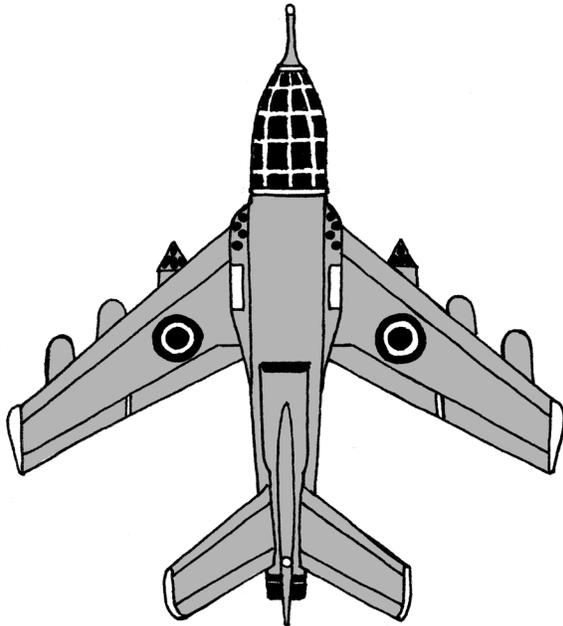
Leave the concrete jungles, avoid the rail lines carving through the trees, and by and large the Ebon Forest looks the same as it was when men first laid eyes on it. It's easy to forget what century you're in, and the locals will be all too willing to help with that. But not for long. Sooner or later, you'll hear the sound of a sewing machine passing overhead.

It's not just faster, but safer, to commute between woodland villages by air. Load her up with caged poultry and eggs, smoked meat and tubers. Take the straight road, far over the stormy black sea of treetops beneath you. Land into a headwind and set her down gently, on the big truck-like tires: a good pilot won't break a single egg.

Even while the runway thralls are unloading, the pilot in his braids and torc is poring over the popping engine. Doesn't matter if he can hardly tell you who taxes him, or why the blue airplanes shot his brother out of the sky. He'll disassemble that engine with his eyes closed.

- Rayleigh Irving, Federal Intelligence

AD-48 "FALCONET"



AD-48 "FALCONET" - 25 pts
LIGHT ATTACK AIRCRAFT

Air (CAS), M14", Q3, T2
Chaff-Flares

Mtl. 19 .50 HMGs, octet

All, R4", A4+, S2, D3

LR-49 2.7-inch HEAT Rocket Pod

Inf/Vec, R6", A4+, S6/1, D4, Ammo 2
Barrage (2), Shaped Charge

BLG-64 500-lb. HE Cluster Bomb

Gnd, R0", A2+, S3, D2, Ammo 4
Air-Filling, Rear Attack, Saturating (4)

FEDERAL STATES-ARMY - DREKFORT M.D.C.

TYPE: LIGHT ATTACK AIRCRAFT

REMARKS

A subsonic single-engine light jet aircraft common in the A.A.E.F.'s reserve squadrons. As a now-aging design, its primary role has shifted from air superiority to ground attack and training roles. Primary armaments include pod-mounted 2.7-inch (68.6mm) HEAT rockets and 500-lb. (227 kg) cluster bombs: a "bomb truck", dispersing explosives over a long strafing run.

The Falconet's speed and maneuverability exceed that of an F.S.A.A.C.-standard turboprop fighter without the use of its rocket motor, but without an autocannon its anti-air capabilities are limited.

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The Falconet's long in the tooth, although (by necessity) it's not deployed as suicidally as we do our aircraft. It's not a lot to look at, nor is it very fast, but it's still a prestige design: the first of theirs that's all home-made, all Ebon Forest design and manufacturing. It meant—and means—a lot to them; like the railways and the state theaters. Proof that they're a real country, that their culture and works aren't just what they've stolen from us.

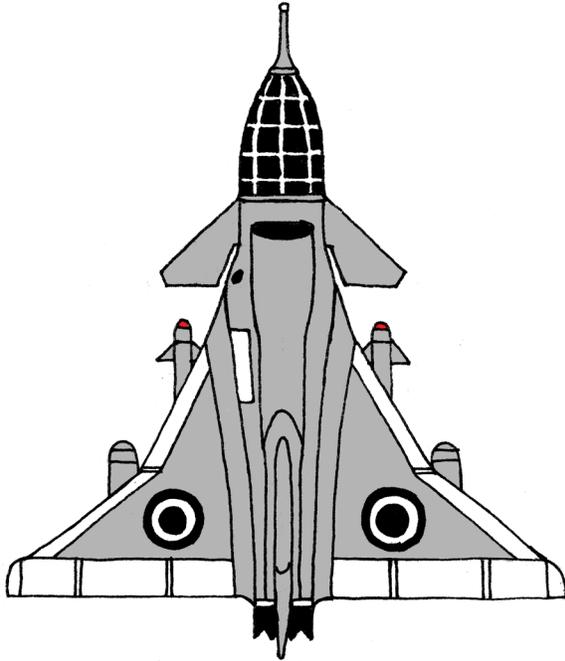
Naturally, it's a propaganda darling; every snot-nosed pup in state school has scrawled one of these flying pipes in his notebook at least once. Rumor even has it that the current Regent cut his teeth flying one, as a young junior officer. Nobody can ever seem to pin down which unit he served with, though. I doubt he'd want the glory himself.

- Rayleigh Irving, Federal Intelligence

"Flatface, shoot me in the cockpit. Not out here, like a dog!"

- Torg Malvigny, Lieutenant, Escadron 2/12, upon capture at gunpoint

AP-IV "GROGNARD"



TYPE: TACTICAL BOMBER

REMARKS

Versatile fighter-bomber, standard in higher-grade A.A.E.F. squadrons. In keeping with typical luparic fighter doctrine, its pilot flies prone on an ejection sled, with visibility offered in every direction but rearwards. This full usage of the nose imposes a size limit on the aircraft's radar, rendering it reliant on ground control for interception and guidance.

Equipped for television-guided bombing and decisive interception with infrared homing missiles; its pilots instead favor dogfighting with its 1.4-inch (35.5mm) revolver cannon.

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AD-IV "GROGNARD" - 40 pts

FIGHTER-BOMBER

Air (CAP), M16", Q3, T3

Chaff-Flares, Nimble

APX-40 1.4-inch Revolver Cannon

All, R8", A4+, S5, D3, Ammo 3

MA-67 4.7-inch Infrared AAM

Air, R24", A4+, S6, D1, Ammo 2

Guided Missile (1), Homing

SD68 8-inch TV-Guided Bomb

Gnd, R40", A3+, S8, D1, Ammo 2

Air-Filling, Guided Missile (2),

Radius (3"), Rear Attack

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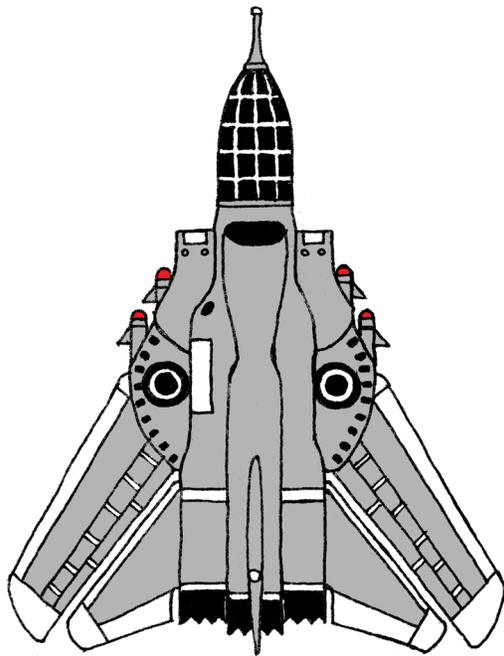
The Regent isn't stupid, but that doesn't mean his paranoia hasn't gotten the better of him before. Take the Grognard's design team. They were the best for the job, but they were also old money: former secret society members, amateur philosophers and painters, that sort of thing. Dogs that didn't like being shut up in an isolated cage, no matter how gilded. They drank absinthe, and talked, and figured the Regency wouldn't touch them.

Even with the project bosses scrambling to put together a new design team from nothing, the Grognard was too far along to cancel. I think the old dog regretted giving the orders. See, Grognard pilots tend to have seedy records—not enough to disappear, but enough to nail them to their rung of the ladder. They act out. They paint their craft like a flying circus troupe; they break ranks to intercept our fighter wings all on their own. They get away with all of it.

I guess it's too hard to kill people like you.

- Rayleigh Irving, Federal Intelligence

MD-II "MIST"



TYPE: AIR SUPERIORITY FIGHTER

REMARKS

High-performance, tri-engine supersonic jet interceptor. Limited production run; deployed from nuclear-hardened subterranean aircraft shelters surrounding Carcalhight. Designed for short-run, rocket-assisted takeoffs from underground launch rails: a dedicated interceptor, lancing towards incoming radar tracks while under ground-based guidance.

As a rare and great investment for the Ebon Forest, the Mist is armed with the best air-to-air missiles available and superlative gunner's optics. Caution and ground anti-air support are advised when engaging.

FEDERAL STATES-ARMY - DREKFORT M.D.C.

MD-II "MIST" - 50 pts
AIR SUPERIORITY FIGHTER

Air (CAP), M20", Q4, T3
Chaff-Flares, Nimble

APX-40 1.4-inch Revolver Cannon

All, R8", A3+, S5, D3, Ammo 3

MA-67B 4.7-inch Infrared AAM

Air, R24", A3+, S6, D1, Ammo 2
Guided Missile (1), Homing

MA-62 7.9-inch Semi-Active AAM

Air, R60", A4+, S8, D1, Ammo 4
*Barrage (2), Guided Missile (1),
No CC*

FEDERAL STATES-ARMY - DREKFORT M.D.C.

I lay in the cockpit. As if stalking prey in the bush, I'm flattened to the ejection sled. I'm glad that my tail is docked and my mane shaved; both now demand to stand on end. Blood thumps behind my eyes although I'm elevated at the angle of the launch rail. There are still a few pills in my flight suit. By now my pupils are like little pins. I feel as if trapped and repress the urge to cry out.

Somewhere outside Carcalhight, there is a deep pit in the earth. In it there is a vast computer. With nerves of wire that run through the roots it listens to a chorus of radar arrays across the land. From them it whispers into my aircraft's ears: a vector. A hostile radar track.

Ignition. I'm forgotten beneath the noise and force. The first seven seconds of flight are automatic. In the fourth second I regain consciousness and seize the yoke. My missiles are my teeth; my growl is lost in the roar of the jets.

- Roul Lydon, Lieutenant, Escadron 1/1

CHAPTER 6
EMPLACEMENTS

To further offset its disadvantages in ground warfare against more mobile and heavily-armed foes, the A.E.F. deploys a variety of expedient area denial systems and traps against both personnel and vehicles. All ground troops are trained to dig and conceal stake traps and incendiary fougasses; resupplied by air-dropped supply canisters, they may range deep into enemy territory unsupported.

SUPPORT CARDS

STAKE PIT - ANTI-PERSONNEL TRAP 6-2
FLAME FOUGASSE - ANTI-TANK TRAP 6-2

STAKE PITS
ANTI-PERSONNEL TRAP

Trap

Stake Pit, improvised
Inf, A++, S*, D3
Radius (3”), Undetectable
*Always rolls 6+ to kill regardless of Toughness.

FEDERAL STATES-ARMY - DREKFORT M.D.C.

TYPE: ANTI-PERSONNEL TRAP

REMARKS

Thin wooden stakes planted at the bottom of a covered ditch. Luparic claws give them a natural proficiency in digging, allowing the speedy construction of shallow stake pits by small groups, even non-engineers.

Low lethality, but a cheap and effective deterrent of infantry.

FEDERAL STATES-ARMY - DREKFORT M.D.C.

“Marck explained to me that he was not so much ‘playing dead’ as ‘being dead’. He really did feel like he was going to die, since the blood loss had rendered him dumb and drowsy. He shut up and laid still until his platoon could arrive to dig him out.

The dogs who set the trap eventually found him, but left without trying to pull him out. ‘They were saving me for later,’ he laughed.”

- Gerrit Ghent, from And We Saw, p. 244

FLAME FOUGASSE
ANTI-TANK TRAP

Trap

May be triggered by enemy basal contact or manually detonated by a TACOM as a mission. The TACOM does not need LOS to the trap. All units (friend and foe) inside Radius are instantly hit. Cannot be placed inside structures. When detonated, the radius lingers on board for the rest of the match and cannot be cleared.

Flame Fougasse, improvised
Inf/Vec, A++, S3/3, D3, Ammo 1
Rear Attack, Radius (2”)

FEDERAL STATES-ARMY - DREKFORT M.D.C.

TYPE: ANTI-TANK TRAP

REMARKS

Incendiary anti-vehicle improvised explosive devised from a gasoline drum, bricks of plastic explosive, and a long-fused electric blasting cap.

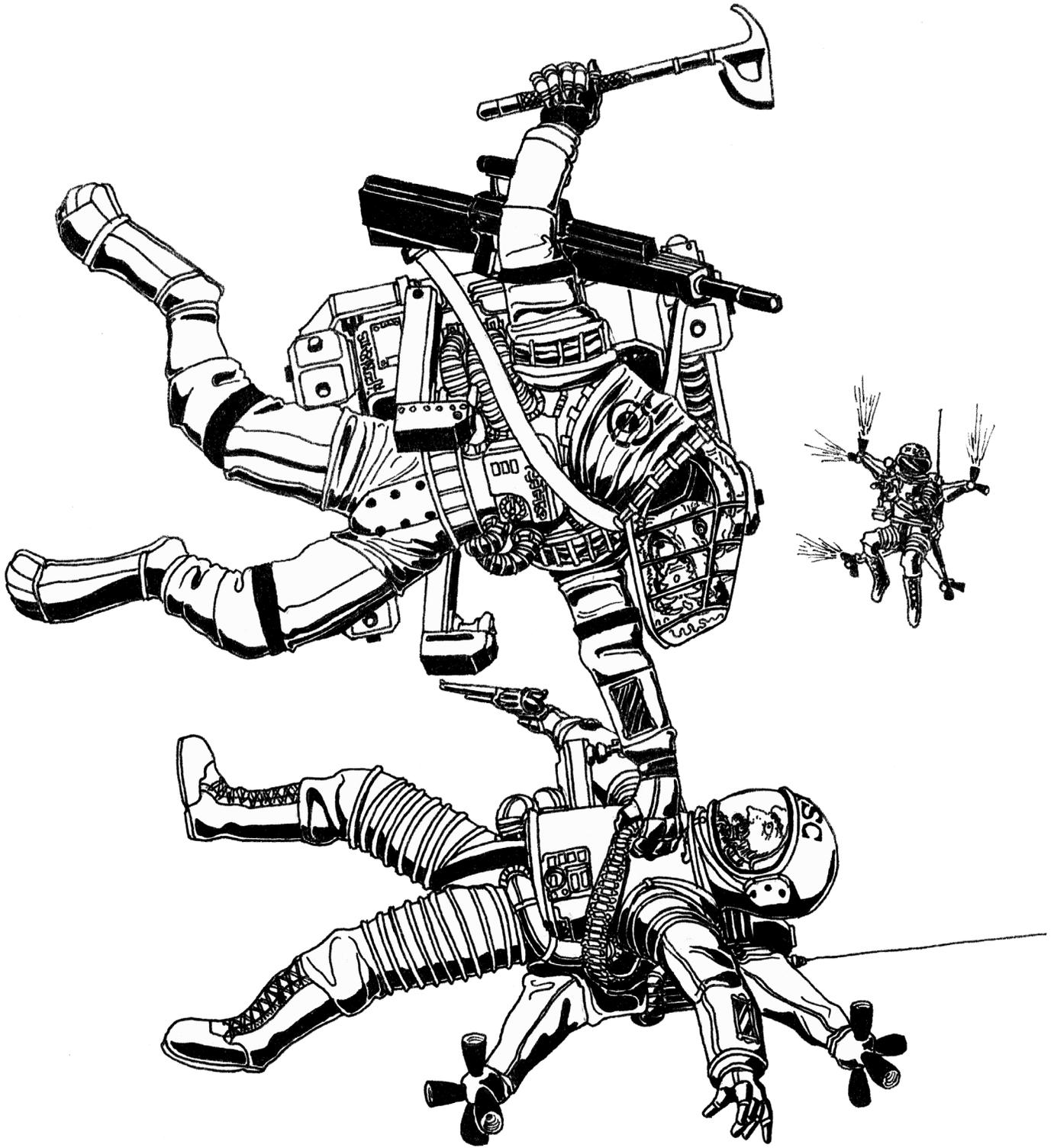
The drum is placed toward the target with the plastic explosive at its back. The blasting cap detonates both the liquid within the drum and the explosive behind it, causing a shower of burning liquid in its area of effect.

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Don’t check the hatches. Don’t get the extinguisher. If the commander says sit, you have blowout panels. Remember to fold your arms.

What? What else am I supposed to tell you?

- Johannes Veeneman, F.S-A. General Staff



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APPENDIX A - ARMY SPECIAL RULES

This appendix section describes the underlined special rules of the Army of the Ebon Forest.

Bloodlust

A wolf in uniform is still a wolf. The smell of blood drives undisciplined troops into a killing frenzy.

If this infantry unit scores a direct fire kill with any of its weapons on an enemy unit within 16" of itself or reaches six pin tokens during the Fire Phase, the unit must roll a 4+ check on a D6 to avoid going **berserk**. Place a **berserk token** on the unit if it fails its roll. Depletions do not trigger Bloodlust.

When a unit gains a berserk token, all other Lupar infantry with the Bloodlust trait within 3" also roll to go berserk. This chain reaction will continue until all infantry succeed their checks or there are no more units with Bloodlust within range. Units do not roll to go berserk more than once per round, and they may choose to willingly go berserk.

Immediately remove all pin tokens from berserk units. Berserk units cannot gain pin tokens and can re-roll all attack rolls made in close combat. However, they do not benefit from Cover Modifier, must always fire at moving accuracy, and must take full-move actions (while sprinting) toward the nearest living enemy unit that it can kill or corpse in the Maneuver Phase (unless it has a stationary fire token). These obligatory move actions do not cost command tokens and occur automatically at the beginning of the Maneuver Phase before any normal move actions are declared.

A unit remains berserk until it is targeted by a *Rally* weapon or it **gorges** on a corpse token. Units with Bloodlust may choose to gorge on a corpse even if not currently berserk, thus preempting any future Bloodlust checks.

Gorging automatically occurs when a unit with Bloodlust enters full basal contact with a corpse token. This unit spends the rest of the phase tearing chunks off of the corpses.

In the beginning of the subsequent Support Phase, before any other actions occur, remove the corpse token. Flip the unit's berserk token to show that it is now **satiated**. This unit will not roll berserk checks for the rest of the battle.

Multiple units may gorge on the same corpse token if they are in simultaneous contact.

Berserk units may not call a brigade or be brigaded. Units in NBC vehicles do not roll to berserk.

Special Factional Token (double-sided):

Berserk/Satiated: Blood Red/Gray

Guidance (X")

The stories of the Waykeepers steel the nerves of their flock against the temptations of fresh meat.

This unit soothes friendly Lupar within X number of inches from itself. Units which enter this radius automatically lose their berserk tokens and units inside of the radius cannot gain them, nor do they have to roll berserk checks under any circumstances. However, units within radius may not gain a satiated token unless they gorge on a corpse.

Infiltrator

Whether warden or poacher, the lupar are natural ambush predators—the wilder, the better.

This unit may deploy up to 16" inches away from deployment edge as if *Paradrop* into occluding terrain (or terrain that puts infantry into ambush, such as dead ground or entrenchment) before standard deployment. Multiple players with Infiltrators must alternate their deployments.

APPENDIX B - BUILDING AN ARMY LIST

This appendix section describes the structure of the Army of the Ebon Forest and provides advice for building an army list.

MILITARY ORGANIZATION

The core of the regular Army of the Ebon Forest, though relatively small, is rigidly drafted to the Regent's specifications, leaving little room for variance in comparison to the other modern militaries of Oid. Frequent frontline scarcities nonetheless lead to irregular organizations and equipment schemes.

The A.E.F. is chronically understrength, and its recruitment affected by local rebellions. The regular army is reliant on territorial troops to sustain their campaigns and uphold homeland security. Some of these territorial units are structured according to the A.E.F. standard; others are household warriors, militia, or various irregular mercenaries and bandits hired on short notice.

When writing an army list, it helps to give it a theme by envisioning what kind of regiment your platoon or company is representing. Luparic regiments are given (in French) a number and basic designation, indicating a notional level of mobility and protection. Here are some labeling guidelines:

d'Infanterie: Infantry regiment, dismounted or with varying levels of logistic support.

Blindée: Mechanized or tank regiment, including tanks and carrier-mobile infantry.

Aéromobile: Airmobile regiment, reliant on helicopters for mobility.

du Roi: Elite infantry and White Gloves: a unit that has earned the Wolf-King's favor.

de l'Intérieur: Technically separate from (but deeply involved in the affairs of) the regular A.E.F., this indicates an Internal Security unit of any kind.

In addition to a descriptive name, most large luparic formations also have a regional name which evokes the grandiosity of Napoleon's Grand Army. Common designations are **Federes** (levies), **Legeres** (light troops), **Chasseurs** (regular infantry), and **Cuirassiers** (armored infantry). **Gardes** indicates an elite unit of ancient pedigree; **Fusiliers** solely refers to White Gloves. Here is an example name:

**23e Régiment d'Infanterie,
"Federes de Fauchillon"**

ARMY LIST COMPOSITION

A typical luparic army list relies on heavy artillery or air support to soften the enemy lines, before overwhelming them with large numbers of mobile, ferocious infantry.

For lower-tier formations, multi-purpose infantry weapons teams and subalterns ensure that your infantry assaults are coordinated, and well-protected. Guided Missile Teams particularly help clear open ground that your infantry might otherwise struggle to cross.

For higher-tier formations, vehicles and helicopters are the hammer to your infantry's anvil, and expensive, upgunned infantry transports help your infantry reach their targets alive. Waykeepers prevent your units from going berserk when it is inopportune.

Indirect fire is the most vital component of the army's ground forces besides the infantry. Cherries are extremely cost-effective and can be used to pin enemy troops and threaten powerful tanks that the A.E.F. has difficulty matching in a head-on fight.

It is good practice to begin by buying some key units which embody core aspects of your regiment's doctrine, then use the remaining points to round out its general capabilities.

SUB-UNIT NAMES

The fundamental sub-unit in a luparic formation is the “groupe”, varying in actual size depending on its parent force’s role. Groupes are ordinally numbered:

1er Groupe

2e Groupe

3e Groupe

4e Groupe

Special-purpose attaches may be given a numberless descriptive name in the fashion of an early 19th century army:

Sous-Groupement de Mortier Legere

1er Groupe traditionally contains the HQ and reserve elements; the remaining groupes constitute line troops and support weapons. Typically a company contains four groupes (a “square” organization), although manpower shortages often dictate fewer sub-units. Support elements are typically embedded directly into their respective groupes rather than being segregated into their own groupe.

CALLSIGNS

When deploying the units of an army list as blinds, it is useful to give each blind a memorable callsign. While it is practical to assign callsigns methodically (“1-1”, “1-2”, “2-1”, etc.), illustrative names are far more entertaining and memorable.

The Lupar are a superstitious race, and their sense of reverent mystery may never be fully extinguished by modern skepticism. Their callsigns should allude to ancient European folklore, taking names of famous heroes or monsters. Fighting vehicle names should be appropriately fearsome, perhaps taking inspiration from the epithets of pre-colonial Native Americans. Wizeden Chasseurs may be callsigned “Teutatis”; a chieftain’s transport dubbed the “Holy Oak”; a fearsome helicopter may be the “Banshee”.

OFFICERS & NAMES

Choose one TACOM in your army list—that’s you. Whether an A.E.F. officer or an irregular leader of men, you are no mere commander. Your authority is almost subconscious; and though your enemies might outnumber and outgun you, they lack your fighting spirit.

The names of the Ebon Forest are a pastiche of Celtic influences spanning all across the phases of European history from Revolutionary France to pre-Roman Britain. Sounds borrowed from Gaulish, Gaelic, Pictish, and Welsh indicate tribal crudeness, while those from the *langues d’oil* carry the refinement of civilization. Some Luparic minorities may also take smatterings from Finnish, Estonian, or other Baltic languages. Names from the easterly, historically Federal-sympathizing prefectures may have an American English twang.

As with callsigns, never neglect to give yourself a nickname. Consider this archetypal name for a commander of elite infantry:

Captain Ceinwen “Split-tooth” Marais

EXAMPLE ARMY LISTS

The following pages have generic example army lists which embody the tenets of conventional Luparic doctrine at the 100, 200, 300, and 400 point brackets. Use these as practice lists or points of comparison for creating army lists of your own.

These army lists do not come with suggested regiment names or callsigns, as you are encouraged to come up with your own. These lists also do not make use of dummies, planes, or support cards, as it is not recommended to use these “advanced” units until a player has the ropes of the game.

**A.E.F. REINFORCED INF. PLATOON
EXAMPLE - 100 PTS, 3 COMMAND**

1er Groupe - Headquarters

Company Chief's Guard - *0 pts (TACOM)*
Chasseurs - *10 pts*

2e Groupe - Recoilless Rifle

Chasseurs - *10 pts*
Recoilless Rifle Team - *15 pts*

3e Groupe - Anti-Tank

Subaltern Team - *10 pts*
Chasseurs - *10 pts*
Guided Missile Team - *20 pts*

4e Groupe - Mortar

Chasseurs - *10 pts*
Hima Team - *15 pts*

* [E] - Embarked | [D] - Desanting | [T] - Towed
All written tows/infantry mountings are strictly advisory.

At 100 points, luparic lists may leverage their factional superiority in infantry at minimal risk to their anti-armor capabilities. This dismounted infantry platoon is numerous, diverse in weapons teams, and perfectly optimized to make full use of its limited command tokens by the inclusion of a Subaltern Team for brigade-moving squads independent of the TACOM.

Note the relative versatility of the luparic "counter" weapons teams compared to other factions: the Recoilless Rifle carries canister shot for improved anti-infantry use, the Guided Missile is both anti-tank and anti-air, and the Hima also provides short-ranged AT like an RPG.

Lack of transportation means that this list is slow-going despite command token efficiency. Be careful when crossing open spaces, and guard your long-ranged assets wisely.

This list cannot afford a resupply vehicle, so ammo must be spent wisely.

Chasseurs may be replaced with Territorials, thus opening 20 points for a tracked vehicle like a Saucer or Veldjen.

**A.E.F. REINFORCED MECH. PLATOON
EXAMPLE - 200 PTS, 6 COMMAND**

1er Groupe - Headquarters

VBD-1 "Tanner" - *10 pts*
- [E] Coy. Chief's Guard - *0 pts (TACOM)* (x2)
- [E] Waykeepers - *15 pts*
- [D] Made-to-Orders - *10 pts*

2e Groupe - Infantry

VBD-1 "Tanner" - *10 pts*
- [E] Chasseurs - *10 pts*
- [E] Machine Gun Team - *10 pts*
- [D] Made-to-Orders - *10 pts*

3e Groupe - Infantry

VBD-1 "Tanner" - *10 pts*
- [E] Chasseurs - *10 pts*
- [E] Machine Gun Team - *10 pts*
- [D] Made-to-Orders - *10 pts*

4e Groupe - Fire Support

VBD-1B "Tanner-R" - *15 pts*
- [E] Guided Missile Team - *20 pts*
- [D] Chasseurs - *10 pts*
CdS-F1 "Kennel" - *10 pts*
- [E] Hima Team - *15 pts* (x2)

* [E] - Embarked | [D] - Desanting | [T] - Towed
All written tows/infantry mountings are strictly advisory.

At 200 points, luparic lists can field full-size, mechanized platoons without any loss of manpower. HMGs provide cover for Chasseurs and deny airspace, Waykeepers improve unit cohesion, and the Kennel carrying Hima Teams permits sustained suppressive fire as well as ample smoke and signal salts, two keystones of infantry support.

However, this list lacks a howitzer or a main battle tank, meaning that it will have to rely on encirclement to destroy heavy vehicles. To this end, Made-to-Orders should be used to clear the way of infantry in front of your Chasseurs.

This list's Made-to-Orders may be dropped to upgrade the Tanners to Rawhides, though this will force some infantry to have to desant.

**A.E.F. ASSAULT COMPANY
EXAMPLE - 300 PTS, 11 COMMAND**

1er Groupe - Headquarters

- VBD-2 "Rawhide" - **20 pts**
 - [E] Coy. Chief's Guard - **0 pts (TACOM)**
 - [E] Waykeeper Judge - **25 pts (TACOM)**
 CdS-F1 "Kennel" - **10 pts**
 - [E] Guided Missile Team - **20 pts**
 Char 30 "Veldjen" - **20 pts**

2e Groupe - Reconnaissance

- VBD-2 "Rawhide" - **20 pts**
 - [D] White Gloves - **20 pts**
 - [E] Coy. Chief's Guard - **0 pts (TACOM)**
 VBD-U "Denmother" - **5 pts**
 - [E] Bounders - **20 pts**
 VBD-U "Denmother" - **5 pts**
 -- [E] Hima Team - **15 pts**

3e Groupe - Infantry

- VBD-1 "Tanner" - **10 pts**
 - [E] Subaltern Team - **10 pts**
 - [E] Chasseurs - **10 pts**
 VBD-U "Denmother" - **5 pts**
 - [E] Machine Gun Team - **10 pts**
 VBD-U "Denmother" - **5 pts**
 - [E] Hima Team - **15 pts**

4e Groupe - Infantry

- VBD-1 "Tanner" - **10 pts**
 - [E] Chasseurs - **10 pts**
 VBD-U "Denmother" - **5 pts**
 - [E] Machine Gun Team - **10 pts**
 VBD-U "Denmother" - **5 pts**
 - [E] Hima Team - **15 pts**

* [E] - Embarked | [D] - Desanting | [T] - Towed
 All written tows/infantry mountings are strictly advisory.

At 300 points, armored weapons platoons and elite infantry are highly affordable. This company favors speed, so mobile weapons teams supplant desanting infantry as the maneuver element. Bounders and White Gloves provide spotting and pressure at range, while armored units in the HQ function as a reserve force for a climactic breakthrough. Subalterns and a large command pool enable reactive play.

**A.E.F. ARMORED INFANTRY COMPANY
EXAMPLE - 400 PTS, 13 COMMAND**

1er Groupe - Armor

- VBD-3 "Motte" - **20 pts**
 - [E] I. S. Escort - **15 pts (TACOM)**
 VBD-2 "Rawhide" - **20 pts**
 - [E] Internal Security - **20 pts**
 Char 38 "Borvo" - **40 pts**
 - [D] Internal Security - **20 pts**

2e Groupe - Infantry

- VBD-1 "Tanner" - **10 pts**
 - [E] Coy. Chief's Guard - **0 pts (TACOM)**
 - [E] Chasseurs - **10 pts**
 VBD-1 "Tanner" - **10 pts**
 - [E] Subaltern Team - **10 pts**
 - [E] Chasseurs - **10 pts**
 Char 30 "Borvo" - **40 pts**
 - [D] Chasseurs - **10 pts**

3e Groupe - LAAD

- CdS-36 "Broomcloud" - **25 pts**
 - [D] Guided Missile Team - **20 pts**
 - [D] Coy. Chief's Guard - **0 pts (TACOM)**
 CdS-36 "Broomcloud" - **25 pts**
 - [D] Guided Missile Team - **20 pts**

4e Groupe - Artillery

- CdS-F1 "Kennel" - **10 pts**
 - [T] DAG-16 "Cherry" - **25 pts**
 - [E] Coy. Chief's Guard - **0 pts (TACOM)**
 CdS-F1 "Kennel" - **10 pts**
 - [T] DAG-16 "Cherry" - **25 pts**
 - [E] Territorials - **5 pts**

* [E] - Embarked | [D] - Desanting | [T] - Towed
 All written tows/infantry mountings are strictly advisory.

At 400 points, a luparic list can accommodate versatile, high-tier unit compositions. This mixed-purpose armored infantry company includes some of the A.E.F.'s best, from heavily armored Internal Security to Broomcloud anti-air guns and Cherry howitzers.

Listbuilding is most fluid at 400 points; for example, the Internal Security could be completely replaced by White Gloves acting as observers for the Cherries, or the Kennels and Cherries could be replaced by Auroras.

APPENDIX C - QUICK UNIT REFERENCE

This appendix section includes all unit cards from the main chapters.

TACOMS

COMPANY CHIEF'S GUARD - 0 pts

COMMAND TEAM

Inf, H1, S24", M5", Q4, T1+/1/1, C3
Bloodlust, Brigade (4, 8"), Infiltrator,
Sense (6")

Mle. 38 .30 LMG

All, R10", A4+/5+, S1/1+, D2, *Small Arm*

OtPv. 9 30-inch Machete

Inf, R0", A1+/1+, S1/1, D2, *Melee*

Mle. 44 3.5-inch RPG

All, R8", A4+/6+, S8/1+, D1
Ammo 4, *Shaped Charge, Small Arm*

Stimulant-Laced Bomb, "Signal Salt"

Gnd, R6", A++/++ , D1, Ammo 1
Light Indirect, Radius (3"), Rally (Salt)

INTERNAL SECURITY ESCORT - 15 pts

COMMAND SHOCK SQUAD

Inf (S), H1, S16", M4", Q5, T2/1+/1+, C4
Assault Specialist, Brigade (3, 4"), NBC

FdcL 63 4-gauge Shotgun

Inf/Vec, R6", A3+/3+, *Small Arm*
→ **4-gauge Houndshot**
S1/1+, D3

→ **4-gauge Rifled Slug**
S2/3, D1

OtDs. 13 Tactical Breaching Charge

Vec, R0", A1+/1+, S12/12, D1,
Ammo 2, *Melee*

OtPv. 9 30-inch Machete

Inf, R0", A1+/1+, S1/1, D2, *Melee*

Stimulant-Laced Filter, "Signal Snuff"

Inf*, R0", A++/++ , D1, Ammo 1
Discreet, Rally

*May only target self.

WAYKEEPER JUDGE - 25 pts

RELIGIOUS LEADER

Inf, H1, S24", M4", Q5, T1/1/1, C5
Amphibious, Brigade (3, 12"),
Guidance (12"), Infiltrator, Sense (8")

*While this unit is alive, no unit in this army
can willingly go berserk.*

Mle. 32 .30 Self-loading Rifle

All, R8", A3+/4+, S1/1+, D1
Small Arm

Teeth & Claws

Inf, R0", A1+/1+, S1/1, D1,
Melee

Stimulant-Laced Bomb, "Signal Salt"

Gnd, R6", A++/++ , D1, Ammo 1
Light Indirect, Radius (3"), Rally (Salt)

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INFANTRY - LINE SQUADS

TERRITORIALS - 5 pts

MILITIA SQUAD

Inf (S), H1, S24", M5", Q2, T1/1-/1-
Amphibious, Bloodlust, Infiltrator, Sense (6")

Mle. 32 .30 Self-loading Rifle

All, R8", A4+/4+, S1/1+, D1
Small Arm

OtPv. 9 30-inch Machete

Inf, R0", A1+/1+, S1/1, D2,
Melee

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CHASSEURS - 10 pts

LINE SQUAD

Inf (S), H1, S24", M5", Q2, T1+/1/1

Bloodlust, Infiltrator, Sense (6")

Mle. 38 .30 LMG

All, R10", A4+/5+, S1/1+, D2
Small Arm

Mle. 44 3.5-inch RPG

All, R8", A4+/6+, S8/1+, D1
Ammo 4
Shaped Charge, Small Arm

OtPv. 9 30-inch Machete

Inf, R0", A1+/1+, S1/1, D2,
Melee

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WHITE GLOVES - 20 pts

ELITE LINE SQUAD

Inf (S), H1, S24", M5", Q4, T1+/1/1

Bloodlust, Elite, Sense (6")

Mle. 52F .30 Automatic Rifle

All, R8", A4+/4+, S1/1+, D2
Small Arm

Lacra 3.5-inch Shouldered R. R.

A3+/5+, Ammo 3, *Small Arm*

→ 3.5-inch Rocket-Assisted Sabot

Vec, R20", S8/12, D1

→ 3.5-inch HEAT

Inf/Vec, R16", S9/1+, D1
Shaped Charge

→ 3.5-inch Incendiary

Inf/Vec, R16", S1+/1+, D1
Ignore Cover (2), Rear Attack

Mle. 7 Laser Designator

All, R40", A++/xx, D1
Designator, Discreet

Mle. 313 26-inch Side Saber

Inf, R0", A1+/1+, S1+/1+, D2,
Melee

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INTERNAL SECURITY - 20 pts

ELITE SHOCK SQUAD

Inf (S), H1, S16", M4", Q4, T2/1+/1+

Assault Specialist, NBC

FdcL 63 4-gauge Shotgun

Inf/Vec, R6", A3+/3+
Small Arm

→ 4-gauge Houndshot

S1/1+, D3

→ 4-gauge Rifled Slug

S2/3, D1

OtDs. 13 Tactical Breaching Charge

Vec, R0", A1+/1+, S12/12, D1,
Ammo 2
Melee

OtPv. 9 30-inch Machete

Inf, R0", A1+/1+, S1/1, D2,
Melee

Stimulant-Laced Filter, "Signal Snuff"

Inf*, R0", A++/++, D1, Ammo 1
Discreet, Rally

*May only target self.

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INFANTRY - WEAPON TEAMS

MACHINE GUN TEAM - 10 pts

ANTI-PERSONNEL/MATERIEL TEAM

Inf, H1, S24", M5", Q2, T1/1-/1-

Bloodlust, Infiltrator, Sense (6")

Mle. 32 .30 Self-loading Rifle

All, R8", A4+/4+, S1/1+, D1
Small Arm

Mtl. 19 .50 HMG

All, R20", A4+/6+, S2/3, D2
Defensive CC

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HIMA TEAM - 15 pts
ANTI-PERSONNEL/TANK TEAM

Inf, H1, S24", M5", Q2, T1/1-/1-
Bloodlust, Sense (6")

Mle. 32 .30 Self-loading Rifle
All, R8", A4+/4+, S1/1+, D1
Small Arm

Lacra-76 "Hima" 3-inch Launcher
D1, Ammo 4
No CC (Inf.)

→ **3-inch Frag**
Gnd, R32", A4+/xx, S[D3]
Air-Filling, Light Indirect, Radius (2")

→ **3-inch HEAT**
Inf/Vec, R8", A4+/xx, S8/1+
Shaped Charge

→ **3-inch Smoke**
Gnd, R32", A++/xx
Light Indirect, Lingering, Radius (3"), Smoke

→ **3-inch Signal Salt**
Gnd, R32", A++/xx, D1
Light Indirect, Radius (3"), Rally (Salt)

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RECOILLESS RIFLE TEAM - 15 pts
GENERAL-PURPOSE TEAM

Inf, H1, S24", M5", Q2, T1/1-/1-
Bloodlust, Infiltrator, Sense (6")

Mle. 32 .30 Self-loading Rifle
All, R8", A4+/4+, S1/1+, D1
Small Arm

TAP 20 3-inch Recoilless Rifle
Ammo 4

→ **3-inch HEAT**
Inf/Vec, R24", A4+/6+, S8/1+, D1
No CC (Inf.), Shaped Charge

→ **3-inch Canister**
Inf/Vec, R12", A4+/6+, S1/1+, D3
Defensive CC

→ **3-inch Smoke**
Gnd, R24, A++/+, D1
Lingering, Radius (4"), No CC (Inf.), Smoke

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GUIDED MISSILE TEAM - 20 pts
ANTI-TANK/AIR TEAM

Inf, H1, S32", M5", Q2, T1/1-/1-
Bloodlust, Sense (6")

Mle. 32 .30 Self-loading Rifle
All, R8", A4+/4+, S1/1+, D1
Small Arm

SD84 4.7-inch Missile Launcher
S14/2, D1, Ammo 4
Guided Missile (2), Shaped Charge

→ **ATGM Guidance Mode**
Vec, R6-60", A3+/xx

→ **MANPADS Guidance Mode**
Air, R60", A4+/xx

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INFANTRY - SPECIAL

SUBALTERN TEAM - 10 pts

JUNIOR COMMAND TEAM

Inf, H1, S24", M5", Q4, T1/1-/1-
Brigade (2, 4"), Bloodlust, Infiltrator,
Sense (6")

Mle. 32 .30 Self-loading Rifle

All, R8", A4+/4+, S1/1+, D1
Small Arm

OtPv. 9 30-inch Machete

Inf, R0", A1+/1+, S1/1, D2,
Melee

MADE-TO-ORDERS - 10 pts

BERSERKER SQUAD

Inf (S), H1, S24", M5", Q6, T1+/1+/1+
Amphibious, Bloodlust, Tow (2), Sense (6")

Mutated Teeth & Claws

Inf/Vec, R0", A1+/1+, S1+/1+, D3
Melee

WAYKEEPERS - 15 pts

RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTORS

Inf (S), H1, S24", M5", Q4, T1/1/1
Amphibious, Guidance (12"), Infiltrator,
Sense (8")

Mle. 32 .30 Self-loading Rifle

All, R8", A3+/4+, S1/1+, D1
Small Arm

Teeth & Claws

Inf, R0", A1+/1+, S1/1, D1,
Melee

Stimulant-Laced Bomb, "Signal Salt"

Gnd, R6", A++/++, D1, Ammo 1
Light Indirect, Radius (3"), Rally (Salt)

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BOUNDERS - 20 pts

ANTI-MATERIEL/SNIPER TEAM

Inf, H1, S32", M5", Q2, T1/1-/1-
Amphibious, Bloodlust, Infiltrator, Sense (6")

Mle. 32 .30 Self-loading Rifle

All, R8", A4+/4+, S1/1+, D1
Small Arm

APX-25 1-inch Anti-Tank Rifle

All, R32", A3+/xx, S4/6, D1,
Ammo 4
No CC (Inf.), Scoped

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VEHICLES - LOGISTICS

CdS-F1 "KENNEL" - 10 pts

IMPROVISED GUN TRUCK

Vec (W), H2, S16", M8", Q2, T2/2/1
PC (2, Rear), Resupply (6), Tow (3)

Mtl. 19 .50 HMG

All, R20", A4+/6+, S2/3, D2
Turret

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VEHICLES - PERSONNEL CARRIERS

VBD-U "DENMOTHER" - 5 pts

UNIVERSAL CARRIER

Vec, H1, S16", M8", Q2, T3/2/1+
PC (1, All)

This unit uses a 40x40mm base. Infantry cannot desant. Embarked infantry may fire all weapons as if they were Small Arms and are identified along with the vehicle. Embarked units may use their own spotting.

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VBD-1 "TANNER" - 10 pts

ARMORED PERSONNEL CARRIER

Vec, H2, S32", M8", Q2, T4/4/3
Amphibious, NBC, PC (3, Rear)

Mtl. 19 .50 HMG
All, R20", A4+/6+, S2/3, D2
Turret

VBD-2 "RAWHIDE" - 20 pts

INFANTRY FIGHTING VEHICLE

Vec, H2, S32", M8", Q2, T5/4/4
NBC, PC (2, Rear)

Mtl. 19 .50 HMG
All, R20", A4+/5+, S2/3, D2
Turret

APX-30 1-inch Autocannon
All, R32", A4+/5+, S4/6, D2,
Ammo 4
No CC (Inf.), Turret

Smoke Launchers
Gnd, R6", A++/+++, D1, Ammo 1
*Light Indirect, Lingering,
Radius (4"), Smoke*

VBD-3 "MOTTE" - 20 pts

ARMORED PERSONNEL CARRIER

Vec, H2, S32", M8", Q3, T16/10/6
NBC, PC (2, Rear, Front)

Mle. 38 .30 MG, swivels
All, R12", A4+/5+, S1/1+, D2
Turret

Mtl. 19 .50 HMG
All, R20", A4+/5+, S2/3, D2
Multi-Gun

Smoke Launchers
Gnd, R6", A++/+++, D1, Ammo 1
*Light Indirect, Lingering,
Radius (4"), Smoke*

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VEHICLES - ARMOR

CHAR 30 "VELDJEN" - 20 pts

MEDIUM TANK

Vec, H2, S32", M8", Q2, T10/6/5
NBC

Mle. 38 .30 MG
All, R12", A4+/6+, S1/1+, D2
Turret

SA19 3-inch Gun
R32", A4+/6+, D1, Ammo 6
No CC (Inf.), Turret

→ **3-inch APHE**
Vec, S8/12

→ **3-inch HE-Frag**
Inf/Vec, S3/3
Ignore Cover (1)

LF4 Sponson Flamethrower
Inf/Vec, R8", A3+/3+, S1+/1+, D3,
Ammo 3
*Ignore Cover (2), Multi-Gun,
Rear Attack*

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CHAR 38 "BORVO" - 40 pts

MAIN BATTLE TANK

Vec, H2, S32", M8", Q2, T14/8/6
NBC

Mle. 38 .30 MG

All, R12", A4+/5+, S1/1+, D2, *Turret*

SA19B 3-inch Dual Rifled Guns

A3+/4+, Ammo 6

Barrage (2), Thermal Sights, Turret*

*All attacks must target same unit.

→ **3-inch APHE**

Vec, R40", S8/12, D1, *No CC (Inf.)*

→ **3-inch HEAT**

Inf/Vec, R40", S8/1+, D1

No CC (Inf.), Shaped Charge

→ **3-inch Canister**

Inf/Vec, R12", S1/1+, D3

Defensive CC

Smoke Launchers

Gnd, R6", A++/++, D1, Ammo 1

Light Indirect, Lingering, No CC,

Radius (4"), Smoke, Turret

CdA-25 "SAUCER" - 20 pts

TANK DESTROYER

Vec, H1, S32", M10", Q2, T6/3/2
NBC

Mtl. 19 .50 HMG

All, R20", A4+/6+, S2/3, D2

Turret

SA25 2.5-inch High Velocity Gun

Vec, R40", A4+/6+, S12/18, D1,

Ammo 4

No CC (Inf.)

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DAG-16 "CHERRY" - 25 pts

TOWED HOWITZER

Vec, H1, S24", M2", Q2, T1/1-/1-

Mle. 32 .30 Self-loading Rifle

All, R8", A4+/4+, S1/1+, D1

Small Arm

DAG-16 7.8-inch Howitzer

Ammo 3, *No CC*

→ **7.8-inch HEAT**

Inf/Vec, R40", A3+/xx, S16/3, D1

Shaped Charge

→ **7.8-inch Frag**

Gnd, R∞", A4+/xx, S[D6], D3

Air-Filling, Heavy Indirect (4),

Radius (3")

→ **7.8-inch Canister**

Inf/Vec, R20", A4+/xx, S1/1, D6

→ **7.8-inch Smoke**

Gnd, R∞, A++/xx, D1

Heavy Indirect (4), Lingering,

Radius (5"), Smoke

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VEHICLES - FIRE SUPPORT

VBD-1B "TANNER-R" - 15 pts

RECOILLESS RIFLE CARRIER

Vec, H2, S32", M8", Q2, T4/4/3
Amphibious, NBC, PC (1, Rear)

TAP 30 4.2-inch Recoilless Rifle

Ammo 4

→ **4.2-inch HEAT**

Inf/Vec, R24", A4+/6+, S10/2, D1

No CC (Inf.), Shaped Charge

→ **4.2-inch Canister**

Inf/Vec, R12", A4+/6+, S1/1+, D4

Defensive CC

→ **4.2-inch Smoke**

Gnd, R24", A++/++, D1

No CC (Inf.), Lingering, Radius (4"),

Smoke

VBD SPECIAL "LUGUS" - 25 pts
RECOILLESS RIFLE CARRIER

Vec, H1, S32", M8", Q3, T3/2/1+

*This unit uses a 40x40mm base.
Infantry cannot desant.*

TAP 30 4.2-inch Recoilless Rifle Battery

Ammo 6, Barrage (6)*
*All attacks must target same unit.

→ **4.2-inch HEAT**

Inf/Vec, R24", A4+/6+, S10/2, D1
No CC (Inf.), Shaped Charge

→ **4.2-inch Canister**

Inf/Vec, R12", A4+/6+, S1/1+, D4
Defensive CC

→ **4.2-inch Smoke**

Gnd, R24", A++/+++, D1
No CC (Inf.), Lingering, Radius (4"), Smoke

CdA-36 "BROOMCLOUD" - 25 pts
SELF-PROPELLED ANTI-AIR GUN

Vec, H2, S32", M10", Q3, T6/3/1+

APX-40 1.5-inch Autocannon

All, R36", A4+/4+, S5/7, D2,
Ammo 6
No CC (Inf.), Radar-Guided Gun,
Tracking, Turret

CdS-F2 "AURORA" - 30 pts
ROCKET TRUCK

Vec (W), H2, S16", M8", Q2, T2/2/1

Mle. 13 5.2-inch Rocket Rack

Gnd, R12"-∞", A3+/4+, S6/6, D1,
Ammo 6
Air-filling, Ignore Cover (1),
Heavy Indirect (3), No CC,
Saturating (6)

VEHICLES - SPECIAL

VdIM-K "KARVE" - 10 pts
SPEEDBOAT

Vec, H1, S32", M12", Q2, T2/2/1
PC (4, All), Watercraft

Mtl. 19 .50 HMG

All, R20", A4+/4+, S2/3, D2
Turret

AIRCRAFT - HELICOPTERS

VZ61 "CHARIOTS" - 15 pts
DUCTED FAN PLATFORMS

Air, H1, S24", M18", Q2, T1+/1/1

*This unit uses a 40x40mm base and is de-
pleted as if it were an infantry squad. When
landed, unit class counts as Inf (S); it may
fire all weapons and enter close combat as if it
were infantry. May land in forests and inside
of buildings as a squad-sized garrison.*

Mle. 38 .30 LMG

All, R10", A4+/5+, S1/1+, D2, Turret

Mle. 44 3.5-inch RPG

All, R8", A4+/6+, S8/1+, D1
Ammo 4, Shaped Charge, Turret

AES514 "BACKBONE" - 20 pts
HEAVY LIFT HELICOPTER

Air, H2, S32", M24", Q2, T4/4/4
Chaff-Flares, PC (2, Sides), Tow (10)

*Towed vehicles count as airborne. Towed
units cannot tow other units. May hitch and
unhitch vehicles while airborne. Embarked
infantry can fire all weapons at stationary
accuracy.*

AES805 "TORNADO" - 30 pts

ATTACK HELICOPTER

Air, H1, S32", M32", Q3, T3/3/2

Chaff-Flares

APX-30 1-inch Autocannon

All, R32", A4+/5+, S4/6, D2, Ammo 4

SD84 4.7-inch Missile Launcher

S14/2, D1, Ammo 4

Door Gun (Front, Sides),

Guided Missile (2), Shaped Charge

→ **ATGM Guidance Mode**

Vec, R6-60", A3+/4+

→ **MANPADS Guidance Mode**

Air, R60", A4+/4+

AD-48 "FALCONET" - 25 pts

LIGHT ATTACK AIRCRAFT

Air (CAS), M14", Q3, T2

Chaff-Flares

Mtl. 19 .50 HMGs, octet

All, R4", A4+, S2, D3

LR-49 2.7-inch HEAT Rocket Pod

Inf/Vec, R6", A4+, S6/1, D4, Ammo 2

Barrage (2), Shaped Charge

BLG-64 500-lb. HE Cluster Bomb

Gnd, R0", A2+, S3, D2, Ammo 4

Air-Filling, Rear Attack,

Saturating (4)

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AIRCRAFT - PLANES

R-2 "CHIEN DE CHASSE" - 10 pts

RECONNAISSANCE AIRCRAFT

Air (CAS), M10", Q2, T2

Loiter

Does not break designation when it moves.

*Designation is broken when the target leaves
the aircraft's frontal arc.*

Mtl. 19 .50 HMGs, dual

All, R4", A6+, S2, D2

Mle. 7 Laser Designator

All, R40", A++, D1, *Designator*

AD-IV "GROGNARD" - 40 pts

FIGHTER-BOMBER

Air (CAP), M16", Q3, T3

Chaff-Flares, Nimble

APX-40 1.4-inch Revolver Cannon

All, R8", A4+, S5, D3, Ammo 3

MA-67 4.7-inch Infrared AAM

Air, R24", A4+, S6, D1, Ammo 2

Guided Missile (1), Homing

SD68 8-inch TV-Guided Bomb

Gnd, R40", A3+, S8, D1, Ammo 2

Air-Filling, Guided Missile (2),

Radius (3"), Rear Attack

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MD-II "MIST" - 50 pts

AIR SUPERIORITY FIGHTER

Air (CAP), M20", Q4, T3

Chaff-Flares, Nimble

APX-40 1.4-inch Revolver Cannon

All, R8", A3+, S5, D3, Ammo 3

MA-67B 4.7-inch Infrared AAM

Air, R24", A3+, S6, D1, Ammo 2

Guided Missile (1), Homing

MA-62 7.9-inch Semi-Active AAM

Air, R60", A4+, S8, D1, Ammo 4

Barrage (2), Guided Missile (1),

No CC

APPENDIX D - PAINTING GUIDE

This appendix section briefly suggests how best to paint Federal miniatures in an “accurate” way, rather than in the monochromatic recognition-manual style shown above.

INFANTRY

Regular infantry, as you may have noticed, wear strichtarn! While the issue varies by region and climate, most often a fully kitted chasseur’s cloth color combination will be green and red, with drab helmets and gunmetal gray weapons with wooden stocks. However, Made-to-Orders and Territorials may wear pieces of plainer fatigue, ranging from green, beige, to gray. Lupar themselves can exhibit basically any variety of wolf-pelt, and their eyes are lupine.



VEHICLES & AIRCRAFT

For war machines, we lean toward splotch or line-based camo schemes or a dull, neutral-colored factory-paint scheme that’s been hastily painted over at the front. Top it off with any local flora, camo netting, crude scrawls or animal skulls. Aircraft may follow the above or be a uniform black or gray paint. Don’t forget the Ebon Forest roundel: a solid black circle surrounded by a black ring, as seen elsewhere in this manual.



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