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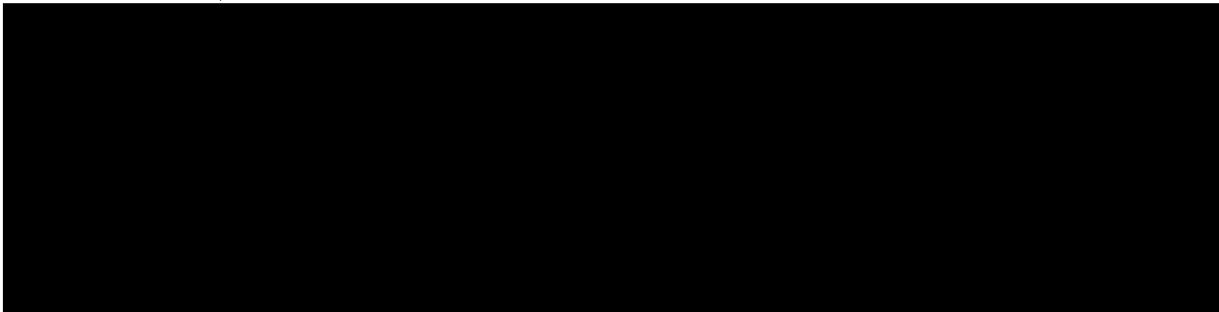
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1. Attached is a list of units in the four Bulgarian Armies compiled by source from previous reports.
2. The units are listed with their subordination, commanding officers, headquarters and last reported locations. Listed under "Headquarters" are the places considered by source to be the permanent headquarters of the unit. The "Last Reported Location" column indicates other cities where the unit has been reported. Dates of information are indicated in parenthesis following the columns.

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	<u>UNITS</u>	<u>COMMANDER</u>	<u>HEADQUARTERS</u>	<u>LAST REPORTED LOCATIONS</u>	<u>COMMENTS</u>
	<u>FIRST ARMY</u>	D. Dilov (15-2-51)	Sofia (28-8-51)		
	1 Heavy Artillery Reg.	Col. Angelov (15-2-51)	Sofia (17-8-51)		
	1 Mountain Artillery Reg.	Lt. Col. Raskov (20-3-51)	Razlog (31-5-51)		
	1 A/A Artillery Reg.	Col. Hajd Eristor (2-12-50)	Simenoto		Sofia (17-8-51)
	1 A/F Artillery Reg.	Col. Pyr. Ivanov (15-2-51)	Radomir		Gorna Dzhumaya (17-8-51)
	1 Mechanized Reg.	Col. Mih. Ivanov (20-3-51)	Sofia (24-8-51)		
	1 Communication Reg.	Col. Timewski (15-2-51)	Sofia		
	1 Quartermaster Reg.		Sofia (24-2-51)		
	1 Transportation Reg.		Sofia (31-5-51)		
	1 Heavy Machine-gun Bn.		Radomir (24-2-51)		
	<u>1 DIVISION</u>	Col. Penchev (15-3-51)	Sofia (25-8-51)		
	1 Infantry Reg.	Col. Jordanov (14-2-51)	Sofia		
	6 Infantry Reg.	Col. Zneponsky Denchie (14-2-51)	Sofia (25-8-51)		
	25 Infantry Reg.	Col. Peskov (14-2-51)	Gorna Pirin		
	4 Field Artillery Regs.	Col. Dimitrov (14-3-51)	Sofia (17-8-51)		
	Communications Bn.				
	Supply Bn.				
	Mechanized Bn.				
	<u>2 DIVISION</u>	Col. Penchev (15-3-51)	Sofia (25-8-51)		
	22 Infantry Reg.	Col. Drankov (14-3-51)	Dupnitsa (28-8-51)		
	14 Infantry Reg.	Col. Zlatov (14-3-51)	Gorna Dzhumaya (28-8-51)		
	39 Infantry Reg.	Col. Zlatov (14-3-51)	Prezank		
	7 Field Artillery Reg.	Col. (1)	Kryunik		
	Communications Bn.				
	Supply Bn.				
	Mechanized Bn.				

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<u>1 DIVISION</u>				
13 Infantry Reg.		Kyustendli (25-6-51)	Kyustendli (Aug. 1951)	Special Headquarters of Yugoslav Border Sector
27 Infantry Reg.		Peter Pazarzhik		
51 Infantry Reg.		Kyustendli (1-1-51)		
1 Field Artillery Reg.		Kyustendli (1-1-51)		
<u>SECOND ARMY</u>				
	Lt. Gen. Stoyko Atanasov (15-3-51)	Plovdiv	Kurdzhali (11-9-51)	Second Army is scheduled to return to Plovdiv at the end of the summer
2 Heavy Artillery Reg.	Col. Peter Karagjodorov (20-5-51)	Plovdiv		On 11 September 1951 units of the Regiment were maneuvering in the Koren (RG 2462) area
	Capt. Plamunkl (fnu), Party Secretary of Regiment			
	Lt. Col. Anton Strater, Political Commissar			
	Maj. Gerasimov (fnu), Assistant Commander of Regiment			
	Capt. Milkov (fnu), Platoon (sic) commander			
	Capt. Piperov (fnu), leader of training headquarters			
	Capt. Sultanov (fnu), Information Officer			
2 Mountain Artillery Reg.	Col. Mitov (15-2-51)	Asenovgrad (24-2-51)		
2 A/A Artillery Reg.	Col. Tanev (15-2-51)	Kazanluk (17-8-51)		
2 A/T Artillery Reg.	Col. Bets Karov (21-3-51)	Plovdiv (24-8-51)		
2 Mechanized Divisions (sic) Regs.				
2 Communications Reg.	Lt. Col. Iozanov (2-12-50)	Plovdiv (17-8-51)		
2 Quartermaster Reg.	Lt. Col. Georgiev (15-2-51)	Plovdiv	Kazanluk (31-5-51)	
2 Transportation Reg.		Plovdiv (26-6-51)		
2 Heavy Machine-gun Bn.		Peshtera (24-2-51)		

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2 DIVISION	Col. Dimitur Hristov (15-3-51)	Plovdiv	Kurdzhali (Aug. 51)	
2 Infantry Reg.	Lt. Col. Nikolov Paskal	Plovdiv		
9 Infantry Reg.	Col. Angel Angelov (20-3-51)			
21 Infantry Reg.	Col. Nikolov (14-2-51)	Smolyan	Peahtera (17-8-51)	The unit was expected at Silyntsa in early August 1951
3 Field Artillery Reg.	Col. Assen Stefanov (14-3-51)	Plovdiv (17-8-51)		
Supply Bn.				
Mechanized Bn.				
8 DIVISION	General Faralenskov	Haskovo		
12 Infantry Reg.	Lt. Col. Kousoukarov (2-12-50) Capt. Peter Vasiliev, Quartermaster	Hartmanli		On 13 May 1951 a battalion of the regiment was reported west of Svilengrad. On 13 May 1951 a battalion of the regiment was reported west of Svilengrad. On 31 May 1951 a battalion of the regiment was reported at Lefka.
23 Infantry Reg.	Col. Benkin (14-3-51)	Haskovo		
30 Infantry Reg.	Lt. Col. Dimitrov (14-3-51)	Simeonograd		
8 Field Artillery Reg.	Col. Nikolov (2-12-50)	Orehovo (Rg. 64-73)		Source has received a report that on 2 June 1951 the headquarters of the Regiment moved to Siva-Reka (R.G. 56-56).
Supply Bn.				
Mechanized Bn.				
Communications Bn.				

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<u>10 DIVISION</u>				
10 Infantry Reg.	Major Gen. Raichev (14-3-51)	Kurdzhali	Burgas (Aug. 1951)	
44 Infantry Reg.	Col. Hristov (14-3-51)	Kurdzhali (17-8-51)		
47 Infantry Reg.	Col. (Identity unknown)	Krumovgrad (17-8-51)		
10 Field Artillery Reg.	Lt. Col. Savov (14-3-51)	Arдино (17-8-51)		
Communications Bn.		Monchli grad (17-8-51)		
Supply Bn.		Kurdzhali (6-4-51)		
Mechanized Bn.		Kurdzhali (6-4-51)		
<u>THIRD ARMY</u>				
	Gen. Vasilov (22-9-51)	Shumen		
3 Heavy Artillery Reg.	Col. Ivanov (15-2-51)	Shumen (11-9-51)		
3 Mountain Artillery Reg.	Col. Minkov (15-2-51)	Blegoevgrad (6-9-51)		
3 A/A Artillery Reg.	Col. Savov (15-2-51)	Shumen (17-8-51)		
3 A/E Artillery Reg.	Lt. Gen. (sic) Hinkov (20-3-51)	Razgrad		
3 Mechanized Reg.	Col. Getov (2-2-50)	Shumen (11-9-51)		
3 Communications Reg.	Col. Tretov (29-3-50)	Shumen (11-7-51)		
3 Quartermaster Reg.	Col. Zanev (15-2-51)	Shumen (11-7-51)		
3 Transportation Reg.		Shumen		
3 Heavy Machine-gun Bn.		Elhovo (27-2-51)		
<u>3 DIVISION</u>				
	Major Gen. Karakostinov (15-3-51)	Silven (17-8-51)		
11 Infantry Reg.	Col. Mihalov (14-3-51)	Silven (17-8-51)		
29 Infantry Reg.	Col. Dolchev (26-3-51)	Yambol (2-7-51)		
40 Infantry Reg.		Yambol (30-5-51)		
6 Field Artillery Reg.	Col. Madenov (20-3-50)	Silven (6-9-51)		
Communications				
Supply Bn.				
Mechanized Bn.				

It was reported that on 11 August 1951 Third Army's headquarters was in Silven, and that it would return to Shumen after summer maneuvers.

On 26 June the unit left Razgrad.

One-half of the unit was in Yambol.

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<u>4 DIVISION</u>	Gen. Boudtsarov (15-3-51)	Shumen (26-6-51)		
7 Infantry Reg.	Col. Stantev (14-3-51)	Shumen (11-9-51)		Old soldiers of the Regiment were constructing fortifications in the area of Monchigred; young soldiers were in training at Rasgrad. On 28 July 1951 the unit arrived in Varna.
8 Infantry Reg.	Col. Voranchev (14-3-51)	Varna (6-9-51)		
19 Infantry Reg.	Col. Radler (2-12-50)	Rasgrad (8-8-51)		
5 Field Artillery Reg.	Col. Mouronov (14-3-51)	Shumen		
Communications Bn. Supply Bn. Mechanized Bn.	MAJ. Gen. Iven Kirsov (15-2-51)	Sliven		Source has received a report that this division was probably changed into a mechanized division in August 1951.
<u>11 DIVISION</u>				
24 Infantry Reg.	Col. Mikhaelov (2-12-50)	Burgas (6-9-51)		This unit arrived in Blagoevgrad on 28 July 1951.
28 Infantry Reg.		Sventets (30-5-51)		
32 Infantry Reg.		Sventets (30-5-51)		
<u>12 DIVISION</u>		Blagoevgrad		
31 Infantry Regiment		Slivstra (28-7-51)		
46 Infantry Reg.		Dobrich (14-8-51)		
12 Field Artillery Reg.		Dobrich (or Velovo) (7-8-51)		
42 Infantry Reg.		Varna (29-3-51)		

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<u>FOURTH ARMY</u>				
4 Heavy Artillery Reg.				
4 Mountain Artillery Reg.				
4 A/P Artillery Reg.				
4 Heavy Artillery Reg.	Gen. Ivan Vitanov (15-3-51)	Pleven (24-8-51)		
4 Mountain Artillery Reg.		Pleven (24-8-51)		
4 A/P Artillery Reg.	Col. Popov (15-2-51)	Turnovo (24-8-51)		
		Gorna Orlovitsa		
4 A/P Artillery Reg.		Pleven (24-8-51)		
4 Communications Reg.		Belogradchik (24-2-51)		
4 Mechanized Reg.		Pleven (24-8-51)		
4 Quartermaster Reg.		Pleven (24-8-51)		
4 Transportation Reg.		Pleven		
4 Heavy Machine-gun Reg.		Pleven (24-8-51) (foreign report)		
<u>5 DIVISION</u>				
	Major Gen. Stefan Kotso (3-5-50) Ruse			
5 Infantry Reg.	Col. Semisov (14-3-51)	Ruse (6-9-51)		
18 Infantry Reg.	Col. Haid Pilov (2-12-50)	Turnovo (24-8-51)		
33 Infantry Reg.	Col. Milzev (14-3-51)	Svishtov (24-8-51)		
1 Field Artillery Reg.	Col. Rozmarov (14-3-51)	Ruse		
Communications Bn.				
Supply Bn.				
Mechanized Bn.				

On 17 August 1951 this Regiment was reported in Gorna Dzhumaya.

In April 1951 this division moved from Ruse to Burgas. In April 1951 the Regiment went to the Varma area for maneuvers.

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6 DIVISION	Gen. Zankovsk (14-3-51)	Vratsa (17-8-51)		
3 Infantry Reg.	Col. Banteln (15-5-50)	Vidin		
15 Infantry Reg.	Col. Markov (14-3-51)	Belogradchik (17-8-51)		
35 Infantry Reg.	Col. Bogdanov (13-3-51)	Vratsa (23-8-51)		
2 Field Artillery Reg.	Col. Todorov (20-3-50)	Vratsa (8-8-51)		
Communications Bn.				
Supply Bn.				
6 Mechanized Bn.			Ferdinand (15-8-51)	
9 DIVISION				
4 Infantry Reg.	Col. Yanchov (20-3-51)	Pleven (6-9-51)		
7th Infantry Reg.	Col. Marinov (4-3-51)	Lovech (17-8-51)		
36 Infantry Reg.		Orshovo (28-8-51)		
9 Field Artillery Reg.	Col. Bohov (28-9-51)	Serrliro (24-8-51)		
Communications Bn.				
Supply Bn.				
Mechanized Bn.				
1 ARMORED DIVISION	Gen. Ivan Feltsio Felchev (26-3-51)	Sofia (Aug. 1951)		
1 Armored Brigade		Sofia (24-8-51)		
2 Armored Brigade		Plovdiv (25-8-51)		
Tank Battle Reg.		Plovdiv (4-4-51)		

The Regiment was in Botnoffst (XF 4247) on 28 August 1951. Col. Bohov was the former commander; he is now reported in jail.



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<u>1 ARMORED DIVISION</u>		Kazantuk (Aug. 1951)		
Tank Battle Reg.		Kazantuk (26-3-51)		
Tank Battle Reg.		Kazantuk (26-3-51)		
Tank Battle Reg.		Kazantuk (26-3-51)		
<u>TANK UNIT (Regiment)</u>		Stara Zagora (13-5-51)		
Tank Unit		Silven (19-5-51)		
<u>TANK UNIT</u>		Pleven (Aug. 1951)		
Tank Unit		Lom (6-6-51)		
<u>1 CAVALRY BRIGADE</u>		Sofia (17-8-51)		
1 Cavalry Reg.	Col. Katsarov (20-3-51)	Breznik (17-8-51)		
2 Cavalry Reg.		Lom (17-8-51)		
Cavalry Guard Reg. of Sofia		Silistza (25-6-51)		
<u>2 CAVALRY BRIGADE</u>		Yambol (17-8-51)		
Col. Markov (20-3-51)				
<u>4 CAVALRY REG.</u>		Yambol (28-8-51)		
Col. Asenkov (20-3-51)				
<u>6 CAVALRY REG.</u>		Hermanli (?) (17-8-51)		
Col. Melnov (20-3-50)				
<u>3 CAVALRY BRIGADE</u>		Shumen (17-3-51)		
Col. Dimitur Popov (20-3-50)				
<u>8 CAVALRY REG.</u>		Sallistza (17-8-51)		
Col. Ziegkov (20-3-50)				
<u>10 CAVALRY REG.</u>		Shumen (17-8-51)		
Col. Tanov (20-3-51)				

This unit had 85 T-34 tanks and 600 men.

Another report received in August 1951 stated that 2 Cavalry Brigades had been dissolved and that its personnel had been sent to the 1 Cavalry Brigade and to Border Units.

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Units Under General Headquarters of the Army

<u>UNITS</u>	<u>COMMANDER</u>	<u>HEADQUARTERS</u>	<u>LAST REPORTED LOCATIONS</u>	<u>COMMENT</u>
Heavy Artillery Reg. Transportation Reg. Communications Reg. Railroad Reg. Bridge-building Reg. Bridge-building Reg. Heavy Mortar Reg.		Plaven (25-4-51) Sofia (25-6-51) Gorna Orehovitsa (5-4-51) Pancharevo (April 1951) Nikopol (April 1951) Plaven (24-5-51)		This unit reportedly has heavy mortars and Katyushas. A report was received in February 1951 stating that this unit had been enlarged into a brigade.
Coastal Defense Reg.		Burgas (6-2-51)		
Coastal Defense Reg. Parachute Reg. Parachute Bn. Parachute Bn.		Varna (6-2-51) Stara Zagora (23-5-51) Plaven (17-8-51) Yambol (12-9-51)		
Artillery Units Under Verification:		NOVA Zagora (24-5-51) Plovdiv (24-5-51) Stara Zagora (24-5-51) Stara Zagora (24-5-51) Stara Zagora (24-5-51) Stara Zagora (24-5-51)		