British Expeditionary Force October 1914

Field Marshal Sir J.D.P. French Commander in chief: <u>Cavalry Corps</u>: Major General E.H.H. Allenby 1st Cavalry Division: Major General H. de B. de Lisle 1st Cavalry Brigade: Brigadier General C.J.Briggs 2nd Dragoon Guards (Queen's Bays) 5th (Princess Charlotte of Wales) Dragoon Guards 11th (Prince Albert's Own) Hussars 1st Signal Troop 2nd Cavalry Brigade: Brigadier General R.L.Mullens 4th (Royal Irish) Dragoon Guards 9th (Queen's Royal) Lancers 18th (Queen Mary's Own) Hussars 2nd Signal Troop III RHA Brigade:
D Battery E Battery III Brigade Ammunition Column VII RHA Brigade: I Battery H Battery VII Brigade Ammunition Column Engineer Field Squadron:
1st Field Squadron Divisional Signals Squadron: 1st Singal Squadron <u>Cavalry Field Ambulances:</u> 1st & 3rd Mobile Veterinary Sections: 1st, 8th, 9th, & 10th HQ 1st Cavalry Divisional Army Service Corps (ASC): 27th (H.T.) 1st Cavalry Supply Column (ASC): 57th (M.T.) 58th (M.T.) 1st Cavalry Ammunition Park (ASC): 45th (M.T.) 2nd Cavalry Division: 3rd Cavalry Brigade 4th Hussars 5th Royal Irish Lancers

16th Lancers

```
D Battery, RHA
3rd Signal Troop
      4th Cavalry Brigade: Brigadier General C.E.Bingham
             Composite Regiment of Household Cavalry
             6th Dragoon Guards (Carabiniers)
             3rd Hussars
             E Battery, RHA
             4th Signal Troop
      5th Cavalry Brigade
             2nd Dragoons (Royal Scots Greys)
             12th Royal Lancers
             20th Hussars
             J Battery, RHA
             4th Field Troop
             5th Signal Troop
             5th Cavalry Field Ambulance
      III RHA Brigade:
             III Brigade Ammunition Column
      Engineer Field Squadron:
             2nd
      Divisional Signals Squadron:
             2nd
      Cavalry Field Ambulances:
             2nd & 4th
      Mobile Veterinary Sections:
             7th & 8th
      HQ 2nd Cavalry Divisional Army Service Corps (ASC):
424th (H.T.)
      2nd Cavalry Supply Column (ASC):
             46th (M.T.) & 413th (M.T.)
      2nd Cavalry Division Ammunition Park (ASC):
             50th (M.T.)
<u>I</u> <u>Corps</u>: Lieutenant General Sir D. Haig
1st Division: Major Gneeral S.H.Lomax
      1st Guards Brigade: Brigadier General F.I.Maxse
             1st Cold Stream Guards
             1st Scots Guard
             1st Black Watch
             1/Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders
      2nd Brigade: Brigadier General E.S.Bulfin
             2/Royal Sussex
             2/Loyal North Lancashire
             1/Northumberland
      1/King's Royal Rifle Corps
3rd Brigade: Brigadier General H.J.S.Landon
             1/Queen's
             1/South Wales Borderers
             1/Gloucester
             2/Welsh
             4/Royal Welch Fusiliers
      Mounted Troops:
             C Sqdn. 15/Hussars
             1st Cyclist Company
      XXV Artillery Brigade:
```

```
113th Battery
            114th Battery
            115th Battery
      XXVI Artillery Brigade:
             116th Battery
            117th Battery
             118th Battery
      XXXIX Artillery Brigade:
             46th Battery
             51st Battery
             54th Battery
      XLIII Artillery Brigade:
             30th (H.) Battery
             40th (H.) Battery
             57th (H.) Battery
      Brigade Ammunition Columns:
            XXV B.A.C.
            XXVI B.A.C.
            XXXIX B.A.C.
            XLII (H.) B.A.C.
      Heavy Battery:
             26th Heavy Battery & Heavy Battery A.C.
      <u>Divisional</u> <u>Ammunition</u> <u>Columns</u>:
            1st D.A.C.
      Engineer Field Companies:
             23rd & 26th
      <u>Divisional</u> <u>Signals</u> <u>Companies</u>:
             1st
      Field Ambulances:
            1st, 2nd, & 3rd
      Mobile Veterinary Sections:
             2nd
      Divisional Train:
            1st
2nd Division: Major General C.C.Monro
      4th (Guards) Brigade: Brigadier General R.Scott-Kerr
             2nd Grenadier Guards
             2nd Coldstream Guards
             3rd Coldstream Guards
            1/Irish Guards
            1/Hertfordshire Regiment
      5th Brigade: Brigadier General R.C.B. Haking
             2/Worcester
             2/Oxfordshire & Buckinghamshire Light Infantry
             2/Highland Light Infantry
             2/Connaught Rangers
```

```
9/Highland Light Infantry
6th Brigade: Brigadier General R.H.Davies
        1/King's
        2/South Staffordshire
       1/Royal Berkshire
        1/King's Royal Rifle Corps
Mounted Troops:

B Sqn, 15th Hussars
2nd Cyclist Company
XXXIV Artillery Brigade:
        22nd Battery
        50th Battery
       70th Battery
XXXVI Artillery Brigade:
        15th Battery
        48th Battery
        71st Battery
XLI Artillery Brigade:
9th Battery
        16th Battery
        17th Battery
XLIV (H.) Artillery Brigade:
        47th (H.) Battery
        56th (H.) Battery
        60th (H.) Battery
Brigade Ammunition Columns:
       XXXIV B.A.C.
XXXVI B.A.C.
       XLI B.A.C.
       XLIV (H.) B.A.C.
Heavy Battery:
        35th H.B. & Hvy Btry A.C.
<u>Divisional</u> <u>Ammunition</u> <u>Columns</u>:
       2nd D.A.C.
Engineer Field Companies:
5th, 11th, 1st East Anglian Divisional Signals Companies:
       2nd
Field Ambulances: 4th, 5th & 6th
Mobile Veterinary Sections:
        3rd
<u>Divisional</u> <u>Train</u>:
        2nd
```

II Corps: Lieutenant General H.L.Smith-Drroein

```
3rd Division: Major General Hubert I.W. Hamilton
      7th Brigade: Brigadier General F.W.N.McCracken
             3/Worcester
             2/South Lancashire
            1/Wiltshire
             2/Royal Irish Rifle
      8th Brigade: Brigadier General B.J.C.Doran
             2/Royal Scots
2/Royal Irish Regiment
             4/Middlesex
             1/Gordon Highlander
             1/H.A.C.
      9th Brigade: Brigadier General F.C.Shaw
             1/Northumberland Fusiliers
             4/Royal Fusliers
             1/Lincolnshire
             1/Royal Scots Fusiler
            10/The King's
      3rd Cyclist Company
      XXIII Artillery Brigade:
             107th Battery
            108th Battery
             109th Battery
      XL Artillery Brigade:
             6th Battery
             23rd Battery
             49th Battery
      XLII Artillery Brigade:
             29th Battery
             41st Battery
             45th Battery
      XXX (H.) Artillery Brigade:
      128th (H.) Battery
129th (H.) Battery
130th (H.) Battery
Brigade Ammunition Columns:
```

XXIII B.A.C.

```
XL B.A.C.
            XLII B.A.C.
            XXX B.A.C.
      Heavy Battery:
             48th Heavy Battery & Heavy Battery A.C.
      <u>Divisional Ammunition Columns:</u>
3rd D.A.C.
      Engineer Field Companies:
             56th & 57th
      <u>Divisional</u> <u>Signals</u> <u>Companies</u>:
             3rd
      <u>Field Ambulances:</u>
             7th, 8th & 9th
      Mobile Veterinary Sections:
             11th
      <u>Divisional</u> <u>Train</u>:
            3rd
5th Division: Major General Sir C. Fergusson
      13th Brigade: Brigadier General G.J.Cuthbert
             2/King's Own Scottish Borderers
             2/Duke's
             1/Royal West Kent
             2/King's On Yorkshire Light Infantry
      14th Brigade: Brigadier General S.P.Rolt
             2/Šuffolk
             1/East Surry
             1/Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry
             2/Manchester
      15th Brigade: Brigadier General A.E.W.Count Gleichen
             1/Norfolk
             1/Bedfordshire
             1/Chester
            1//Dorset
      Mounted Troops:
             A Sqdn. 19/Hussars
             5th Cyclist Company
      XV Artillery Brigade:
             11th Battery
             52th Battery
             80th Battery
      XXVII Artillery Brigade:
             119th Battery
             120th Battery
            121st Battery
      XXVIII Artillery Brigade:
             122nd Battery
             123rd Battery
             124th Battery
      VIII (H.) Artillery Brigade:
             37th (H.) Battery
             61st (H.) Battery
```

```
65th (H.) Battery
      Brigade Ammunition Columns:
             XV B.A.C.
             XXVII B.A.C.
             XXVIII B.A.C.
             VIII (H.) B.A.C.
      Divisional Ammunition Columns:
    5th D.A.C.
      Engineer Field Companies:
     17th, 59th, 2nd Home Counties
      <u>Divisional</u> <u>Signals</u> <u>Companies</u>:
             5th
      Field Ambulances:
             13th, 14th, & 15th
      Mobile Veterinary Sections:
             5th
      <u>Divisional</u> <u>Train</u>:
             5th
III Corps: Major Genearl W.P.Pulteney
4th <u>Division</u>: Major General H.f>m>Wilson
      10th Brigade: Brigadier General J.A.L.Haldane
             1/Royal Warwickshire
             2/Seaforth Highlanders
             1/Royal Irish Fusiliers
             2/Royal Dublin Fusiliers
             7/Argyll & Sutherland Highlanders
      11th Brigade: Brigadier General A.G.Hunter-Weston
             1/Somerset Light Infantry
             1/East Lancashire
             1/Hantfordshire
             1/Rifle Brigade
             1/London Rifle Brigade
      12th Brigade: Brigadier General H.F.M.Wilson
             1/King's Own
             2/Lancashire Fusiliers
             2/Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers
             2/Essex
             2/Monmouthshire
      Mounted Troops:
             B Sqdn. 19/Hussars
             4th Cyclist Company
      XIV Artillery Brigade:
             39th Battery
             68th Battery
```

```
88th Battery
      XXIX Artillery Brigade:
             125th Battery
             126th Battery
             127th Battery
      XXXII Artillery Brigade:
             27th Battery
             134th Battery
             135th Battery
      XXXVII (H.) Artillery Brigade:
             31st (H.) Battery
             35th (H.) Battery
             55th (H.) Battery
      Brigade Ammunition Columns:
             XIV B.A.C.
             XXIX B.A.C.
             XXXII B.A.C.
             XXXVII B.A.C.
      <u>Heavy</u> <u>Battery</u>:
             31st Heavy Battery & Heavy Battery A.C.
      <u>Divisional Ammunition Columns:</u>
             4th D.A.C.
      Engineer Field Companies:
             7th, 9th, & 1st West Lancashire
      <u>Divisional</u> <u>Signals</u> <u>Companies</u>:
             4th
      Field Ambulances: 10th, 11th, & 12th
      Mobile Veterinary Sections:
             4th
      Divisional Train:
             4th
6th Division: Major General J.L.Keir
      16th Brigade: Brigadier General E.C.Ingouville-Williams
             1/Buffs
             1/Leicester
             1/King's Shropshire Light Infantry
             2/York and Lancaster Regiment
      17th Brigade: Brigadier General W.R.B.Doran
             1/Royal Fusiliers
             1/North Staffordshire
             2/Leinster
             3/Rifle Brigade
      18th Brigade: Brigadier General W.N.Congreve
             1/West York
1/East York
             2/Sherwood Foresters
             2/Durham Light Infantry
             1/16/London (Queen's West Minister Rifles)
```

```
6th Cyclist Company
      II Artillery Brigade:
             21st Battery
             42nd Battery
             53rd Battery
      XXIV Artillery Brigade:
             110th Battery
             111th Battery
             112th Battery
      XXXVIII Artillery Brigade:
             24th Battery
             34th Battery
             72nd Battery
      XII (H.) Artillery Brigade:
             43rd (H.) Battery
86th (H.) Battery
87th (H.) Battery
      Brigade Ammunition Columns:
             II B.A.C.
             XXIV B.A.C.
             XXXVIII B.A.C.
             XII B.A.C.
      <u>Heavy</u> <u>Battery</u>
             24th Heavy Battery & Hy Bty A.C.
      <u>Divisional Ammunition Columns:</u>
6th D.A.C.
       Engineer Field Companies:
             12th, 38th, & 1st London
       <u>Divisional Signals Companies:</u>
             6th
      Field Ambulances: 16th, 17th & 18th
      Mobile Veterinary Sections:
             6th
      <u>Divisional</u> <u>Train</u>:
             6th
19th Brigade:
             2/Royal Welsh Fusiliers
             2/Cameronians
             5/Cameronians
             1/Middlesex
             2/Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders
Royal Flying Corps: Brigadier General Sir D. Henderson HQ Wireless Unit
             2nd Aeroplane Squadron
             3rd Aeroplane Squadron
             4th Aeroplane Squadron
```

```
5th Aeroplane Squadron
             6th Aeroplane Squadron
                   63 aircraft total
63rd (Royal Naval) Division:
      1st Royal Naval Brigade
             1st (Drake) Battalion
2nd (Hawke) Battalion
             3rd (Benbow) Battalion
      4th (Collingwood) Battalion
2nd Royal Naval Brigade
             5th (Nelson) Battalion
             6th (Howe) Battalion
             7th (Hood) Battalion
            8th (Anson) Battalion
      Royal Marine Brigade
             9th (Chatham) Battalion
             10th (Portsmouth) Battalion
             11th (Plymouth) Battalion
             12th (Deal) Battalion
      Engineer Field Companies:
            Detachment RE
IV Corps: Lieutenant Genearl Sir H.S.Rawlinson
7th Division: Major General T. Capper
      20th Brigade: Brigadier General H.G.Ruggles-Brise
             1/Grenadier Guards
             2/Scot's Guards
             2/Borderers
            2/Gordon Highlanders
             6/Gordon Highlanders
      21st Brigade: Brigadier General H.E.Watts
             2/Bedfordshire
             2/Green Howards
             2/Royal Scots Fusiliers
             2/Wiltshire
      22nd Brigade: Brigadier General S.T.B.Lawford
            2/Queen's
2/Royal Warwickshire
             1/Royal Welsh Fusiliers
             1/South Staffordshire
```

8/Royal Scots

Mounted Troops:

1/Northumberland Hussars

7th Cyclist Company

XIV Artillery Brigade, RHA:

C Battery, RHA

F Battery, RHA

XXII Artillery Brigade:

104th Battery

105th Battery

106th Battery

XXXV Artillery Brigade:

12th Battery

25th Battery

58th Battery

Brigade Ammunition Columns:

XIV R.H.A. B.A.C.

XXII B.A.C.

XXXV B.A.C.

III Heavy Artillery Brigade

111th Heavy Battery

112th Heavy Battery

Heavy Battery Ammunition Columns

<u>Divisional Ammunition Columns:</u>

7th D.A.C.

Engineer Field Companies:
54th, 55th, 2nd Highland
Divisional Signals Companies:

7th

Field Ambulances:

21st, 22nd, & 23rd

Mobile Veterinary Sections:

12th

<u>Divisional</u> <u>Train</u>:

7th

3rd Cavalry Division: Major General J.H.G.Byng

6th Cavalry Brigade: Brigadier General E.Makins

3rd Dragoon Guards 1st Royal Dragoons

10th Hussars

```
7th Cavalry Brigade: Brigadier General Kavanagh
             1st Life Guards
             2nd Life Guards
             Royal Horse Guards
      XV RHA Brigade:
             K Battery
             XV Brigade Ammunition Column
      Engineer Field Squadron:
             3rd
      Divisional Signals Squadron:
             3rd
      <u>Cavalry Field Ambulances:</u>
             6th & 7th
      Mobile Veterinary Sections:
             13th & 14th
      HQ 3rd Cavalry Divisional Army Service Corps (ASC):
             81st (H.T.)
      3rd Cavalry Supply Column (ASC): 73rd (M.T.) & 414th (M.T.)
      3rd Cavalry Ammunition Park:
             76th (M.T.)
8th Division: Major General F.J.Davies
      23rd Brigade: Brigadier General R.J.Pinney
             2/Devonshire
             2/West Yorkshire
             2/Scottish Rifle
             2/Middlesex
      24th Brigade: Brigadier General F.C.Carter
             1/Worcester
             2/East Lancashire
             1/Sherwood Foresters
             2/Northumberland
             5/Balck Watch
      25th Brigade: Brigadier General A.W.G.Lowry Cole
             2/Lincolnshire
             2/Royal Berkshire
1/Royal Irish Rifles
2/Rifle Brigade
      Mounted Troops:
             1/Northamptonshire Yeomanry
```

```
8th Cyclist Company
       V Artillery Brigade, RHA:
              G Battery
              Z Battery
              O Battery
       XXXIII Artillery Brigade:
              32nd Battery
              33rd Battery
              36th Battery
       XLV Artillery Brigade:
              1st Battery
              3rd Battery
              5th Battery
       Brigade Ammunition Columns:
              V RHA B.A.C.
              XXXIII B.A.C.
              XLV B.A.C.
       VIII <u>Heavy Artillery Brigade</u>: 118th Heavy Battery
              119th Heavy Battery
              Heavy Battery Ammunition Columns
       <u>Divisional</u> <u>Ammunition</u> <u>Columns</u>:
              8th D.A.C.
       Engineer Field Companies:
              2nd & 15th
       <u>Divisional Signals Companies:</u>
              8th
       Field Ambulances:
              24th (1/Wessex), 25th (2/Wessex), 26th (3/Wessex)
       Mobile Veterinary Sections:
              15th
       <u>Divisional</u> <u>Train</u>:
              8th
Heavy Artillery:
       Medium Siege Artillery:
              No. 1 Siege Battery, R.G.A.
No. 2 Siege Battery, R.G.A.
No. 3 Siege Battery, R.G.A.
              No. 4 Siege Battery, R.G.A.
              No. 5 Siege Battery, R.G.A.
              No. 6 Siege Battery, R.G.A.
       Other:
              Unknown
```

Indian Corps: Lieutenant General J. Willcocks

<u>Divisional</u> <u>Signals</u> <u>Companies</u>:

```
The Lahore Division: Lieutenant General H.B.B.Watkis
      The Ferozepore Brigade: Brigadier General R.G.Edgerton
            1/Connaught Rangers
            9/Bhopal Infantry
            57/Wilde's Rifles (Frontier Force)
            129/Duke of Connaught's Own Baluchis
      The Jullundur Brigade:
            1/Manchester
            15/Ludhiana Sikhs
            47/Sikhs
            59/Scinde Rifles (Frontier Force)
      The Sirhind Brigade:
            1/Highland Light Infnatray
            125/Napier's Rifles
            1/1/King George's Own Gurkha Rifles (Malaun Regt)
            1/4/Gurkha Rifles
      Mounted Troops:
            15th Lancers (Cureton's Multanis)
      <u>V Artillery Brigade:</u>
            64th Battery
            73rd Battery
            81st Battery
      XI Artillery Brigade:
            83rd Battery
            84th Battery
            85th Battery
      XVIII Artillery Brigade:
            59th Battery
            93rd Battery
            94th Battery
      <u>Heavy</u> <u>Artillery:</u>
            100th Heavy Battery, RGA (4.7" guns)
            Heavy Battery A.C.
      Brigade Ammunition Columns:
            V B.A.C.
            XI B.A.C.
            XVIII B.A.C.
      <u>Divisional Ammunition Columns:</u>
            Lahore D.A.C.
      Engineer Field Companies:
            20th Co, & 21st Co, 3rd Sappers and Miners
```

Lahore Signal Company Pioneers: 34th Sikh Pioneers Field Ambulances: 7th & 8th British Field Ambulances 111th, 112th and 113th Indian Field Ambulances <u>Divisional</u> <u>Train</u>: Lahore Divisional Train 1/Seaforth Highlanders 6/Jat Light Infantry 2/2/King Edward's Own Gurkha Rifles (Sirmoor Rifles) 1/9/Gurkha Rifles 4/Seaforth Highlanders The Garlwal Brigade: 2/Leicestershire Regiment 1/39/Garwal Rifles 2/39/Garwal Rifles 2/3/Queen Alexandra's Own Gurkha Rifles The Bareilly Brigade: 2/Black Watch 41/Dogras 58/Vaughan's Rifles (Frontier Force) 2/8/Gurkha Rifles Mounted Troops 4th Cavarly IV Artillery Brigade: 7th Battery 14th Battery 66th Battery IX Artillery Brigade: 19th Battery 20th Battery 28th Battery XIII Artillery Brigade: 2nd Battery 8th Battery 44th Battery Heavy Artillery: 110th Heavy Battery RGA Heavy Battery AC <u>Divisional</u> <u>Ammunition</u> <u>Columns</u>: Meerut D.A.C.

Engineer Field Companies:

3rd & 4th Cos, 1st King George's Own Sappers & Miners

<u>Divisional Signals Companies:</u>
Meerut Signal Company

```
Pioneers:
             107th Pioneers
      Field Ambulances:
              9th and 10th British Field Ambulances
             128th, 129th and 130th Indian Field Ambulances
      <u>Divisional</u> <u>Train</u>:
             Meerut Divisional Train
Indian Cavalry Corps: Lieutenant General M.F.Rimingtom
1st Indian Cavlary Division: Major General M.F.Rimington
       <u>Sialkot Cavalry Brigade</u>: Brigadier General H.P.Leader
             17/(Duke of Cambridge's) Lancers
             6/(King Edward's Own) Cavalry
             19/(Fane's Horse) Lancers
             Signal Troop
      Ambala Cavalry Brigade: Brigadier General C.P.W.Pirie 8/(King's Royal Irish) Hussars
             9/Hodson's Horse
             30/(Gordon's Horse) Lancers
             Signal Troop
      <u>Lucknow Cavalry Brigade</u>: Major General G.A.Cookson
             1/(King's) Dragoon Guards
             29/(Deccan Horse) Lancers
             36/Jacob's Horse
             Signal Troop
      I Indian Brigade, RHA
             A Battery, RHA
             Q Battery, RHA
U Battery, RHA
             I Indian BAC (B,C, & G Sections)
       Engineers:
             2nd Indian Field Troop
       Signals:
             2nd Indian Signal Squadron
       Field Ambulances:
             Sialkot, Ambala & Lucknow Cavalry Field Ambulances
       Divisional Train:
             1st Indian Cavalry Supply Column
2nd Indian Cavalry Division: Major General G.A.Cookson
      Mhow Cavalry Brigade: Colonel M.E.Willoughby
             6/(Inniskilling) Dragoons
             2/(Gardner's Horse) Lancers
             38/King George's Own Central Indian Horse
             Signal Troop
```

<u>Meerut Cavarly Brigade</u>: Brigadier General FitzJ.M.Edwards

13/Hussars

3/Skinner's Horse

18/King George's Own Lancers

Signal Troop

Secunderabad Cavarly Brigade:

7/(Princess Royal's) Dragoon Guards

20/Deccan Horse

34/Prince Albert Victor's Own Poona Horse

Signal Troop

II Indian Brigade, RHA

N Battery, RHA V Battery, RHA

X Battery, RHA

II Indian BAC (E,F, & H* Sections)

Engi<u>neers</u>:

1st Indian Field Troop

<u>Signals:</u>

3rd Indian Signal Squadron

Field Ambulances:

Mhow, Meerut & Secunderabad* Field Ambulances

<u>Divisional Train</u>:

2nd Indian Cavalry Supply Column

Corps Troops:

Jodhpur Lancers*

1st Indian Signal Squadron

Jodhpur Cavalry Field Ambulance*

J.E.Edmonds, Editor Military Operations, France and Belgium, 1914, Official History, MacMillan, London.

Becke, A.F., History of the Great War Based on Official Documents, Order of Battle of Divisions, His Majesty's Stationary Office, 1937

Copyright GFN 1992