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DATE	LOCATION	ACTIVITY	CHAIN OF COMMAND
1940/11/15	Wien, Wehrkreis XVII (Vienna, Austria)	Activation (13. Welle)	C.O.: Gen.Maj. Wilhelm Rupprecht, 1940/11/15-1942/10/30 Subordinate to: Stellv.Gen.Kdo. XVII, 1940/11/15-1941/04/11
1940/11/16	Sankt Poelten, Krems, Horn	Formation, training	
1941/04/05	Pilsen, Budweis, Czechoslovakia	Movement	AK 27, 1941/04/12-1941/09/20
1941/04/18	Besancon, Belfort, Pontarlier, Morez, Montbeliard, Salins-les-Bains, France	Occupation duty, training	
1941/11/04	Angers, Cholet, Saumur, Le Mans, Laval, Nantes	Occupation duty, training	AK 45 Hoeheres Kommando, 1941/09/21-1941/11/04 AK 25, 1941/11/05-1941/12/11
1941/12/14	Niort, Rochefort, La Rochelle, Fontenay-le-Comte, La Roche-sur-Yon, Les Sables-d'Olonne	Coastal defense, training, occupation duty	AK 59 Hoeheres Kommando zbV, 1941/12/12-1942/01/03 AK 31 Hoeheres Kommando, 1942/01/04-1942/05/28 AK 80, 1942/05/28-1942/10/24
1942/10/20	Libourne, Bordeaux, Blaye	Coastal defense, training	AOK 1, 1942/10/24-1942/12/18 C.O.: Gen.Lt. Rudolf Friedrich, 1942/10/30-1943/08/10
1942/11/11	Beziers, Montpellier, Narbonne, Carcassonne, Castelnaudary	Coastal defense, training regrouping	Subordinate to: Armeegruppe Felber, 1942/12/18-1943/02/08
1943/01/08	Nimes, Montpellier, Beaucaire	Training, preparation for transfer	
1943/01/29	Smolensk, Soviet Union Roslavl, Bryansk, Navlya, Dmitriyev-Lgovski, Lgov	Transfer, movement	
1943/02/09	Sudzha, Lgov, Dereven'ki, Tolpino, Stremoukhov-Bobrik, Sheptukhovka	Defensive operations	AOK 2, 1943/02/09-1943/02/12 AK 13, 1943/02/13-1943/07/05
1943/03/08	Bol'shenizovtsevo, Rylsk, Semenovo, Nekrasovo, Bystron, Rzhava, Asmolovo, Vysokoye, Seym River sector	Defensive operations training	

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1943/09/01	Samarka, Kuren, Piryatin, Priluki, Velikaya Dymarka	Disengagement movements	C.O.: Oberst Wolfgang Lange, mFb., 1943/08/10-1943/09/30 Subordinate to: AK 7, 1943/07/06-1943/07/18 AK 13, 1943/07/19-1943/09/09
1943/09/22	Dnieper River, Yasnogorodka, Manuil'sk, Katyuzhanka	Withdrawal, defensive operations	AK 24 Pz, 1943/09/10-1943/09/11 Korueck 595, 1943/09/12/-1943/09/16 AK 13, 1943/09/17-1943/11/04
1943/10/01	Novaya Greblya	Defensive operations of Div.Gr.327	
1943/10/28	Radomyshl	Formation of Arbeitsstab 327, assembly of Division Gruppe 327	
1943/11/04	Radomyshl Pontivy, France	Disbandment, release of remnants to 208.ID, 340.ID, and PzAOK 4, and transfer of remainder to France	

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Ia, Anlagenband zum KTB 1. Orders, directives, surveys, and maps pertaining to the activation of the division in Vienna, Austria, 15 Nov 1940; formation and training in the areas north of Vienna; movement to Budweis, Czechoslovakia, and transfer to Besancon, France, for occupation duty; securing of the demarkation line; training; and movements to the Angers and Le Mans areas for occupation duty and training and to the Niort, La Rochelle, and La Roche-sur-Yon areas for coastal defense and training. Activity reports of the Aufstellungsstab 327.ID, 28 Oct-13 Nov 1940, the supply branch, 20 Nov 1940-1 Jan 1941, and intelligence and personnel branches, 15 Nov 1940-31 Mar 1942; tables showing the administrative organization and code of	1940/11/15-1942/05/11	327.ID 25867/2	2041	102

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Ia, Anlagen zum KTB 2, Verlegung und Abloesung. Orders, reports, messages, and surveys pertaining to the relief by the 15.ID and preparations for and movements to the Libourne, Blaye, and Bordeaux areas for coastal defense.	1942/10/18-1942/10/26	327.ID 25867/16	2045	268
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Ia, Anlagenband II zum KTB 5, Ic, IIa/IIb, TB. Orders, directives, reports, and maps pertaining to defensive operations, training, regrouping, antitank defense, construction of positions, winter mobility, formation of alert units, and antipartisan operations in the Rylsk, Bol'shenizovtsevo, Semenov, Popovka, Asmolovo, Bystron, Rzhava, and Durovo areas of the Seym River sector; activity report of the intelligence branch, 1 Apr-30 Jun, concerning enemy operations, losses, and movements, conduct and morale of the civilian population, propaqanda, partisan activity, troop entertainment, and counterintelligence activity;	1943/05/08-1943/06/30	327.ID 33651/3	2048	1

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Ia, Anlagenband III zum KTB 5, Unternehmen "Sommerzeit". Orders relating to preparations for and execution of Unternehmen Sommerzeit (relief of the 88.ID for another assignment and subordination to AOK 2), a separate operation from that resulting in the 88.ID breaking out of the encirclement between Kursk and Voronezh later in April 1943. During Unternehmen Sommerzeit the 340.ID took over the 88.ID sector and the 327.ID relieved GrRgt 696 and 340 in the Asmolovo and Bystron areas north of Rylsk.	1943/03/29-1943/04/12	327.ID 33651/4	2048	1004
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Ia, Anlagenband I zum KTB 6. Daily reports and messages, orders, and maps pertaining to defensive and reconnaissance operations, counterattacks, construction of positions, assignment of alert units, securing of rear areas, control of the civilian population, regrouping, and training in the Rylsk, Ishutino, Bol'shenizovtsevo, Durovo, Rzhava, Nekrasovo, Semenov, Obody, Vysokoye, and Karyzh areas of the Seym River sector. Order-of-battle charts, status reports, daily reports concerning German and enemy artillery activity, and data on enemy operations, movements, and partisan activity.	1943/07/01-1943/08/18	327.ID 40268/2	2049	156
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