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707. INFANTERIE-DIVISION - UNIT HISTORY

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| 1941/05/01 | Muenchen, Wehrkreis VII | Activation (15. Welle), formation, training | C.O.: Gen.Maj. Gustav Frhr. von Mauchenheim gen. Bechtolsheim, 1941/05/03-1943/02/22 |
| 1941/08/16 | Kobrin, Minsk, Baranovichi, Gorodishche, Dzerzhinsk, Mir, Volozhin, Vileika, Soviet Union | Transfer, movement, operations against partisans, security, training, regrouping | |
| 1942/03/03 | Sicherungsgebiet Weissruthenien (security sector Belorussia) | Preparations for and release to the 202. Sicherungs-Brigade | Subordinate to: Wehrmachtbefehlshaber Ostland, 1942/03/03-1942/03/16 |
| 1942/03/19 | Bobruisk | Movement, operations against partisans | Bfh.rueckw.HGeb Mitte, 1942/03/17-1942/04/12 |
| 1942/04/07 | Bryansk, Zhizdra, Lyudinovo, Dubrovka, Zhukovka, Kletnya, Dyatkovo, Star, Rzhanitsa, Vygonichi, Pochep, Seltso, Peklino | Movement, operations against partisans, mopping-up action, security, regrouping, training | PzAOK 2, 1942/04/13-1942/05/10 Korueck 532, 1942/05/11-1943/00/00? |
| 1943/01/01 | Bryansk, Seltso, Rzhanitsa, Zhukovka, Peklino, Kletnya | Security, administration of rear area, operations against partisans, security | |
| 1943/02/10 | Pogodino | Movement, defensive operations | |
| 1943/03/06 | Komarichi, Lokot, Pogreby, Kholmech, Shemyakino | Movement, defensive operations, operations against partisans, security | C.O.: Gen.Maj. Hans Frhr. von Falkenstein, 1943/02/22-1943/04/24 |
| 1943/05/07 | Zhukovka, Kletnya, Rzhanitsa, Zhiryatino, Lotoshniki, Belogovl, Staraya Guta, Seredina-Buda, Bezhitsa | Movement, operations against partisans, security, regrouping | Gen.Lt. Wilhelm Russwurm, 1943/04/25-1943/06/01 |
| 1943/07/20 | Stayki, Uspenskoye, Buki, Khvastovichi | Construction, occupation, and defense of WL Blau (line of resistance) positions | Gen.Maj. Rudolf Busich, 1943/06/01-1944/04/01 |
| 1943/08/13 | Batogovo east of Krassnoye | Disengagement movements (Hagen-Bewegung) | |
| No records of the 707.ID were available in the National Archives for 1943/08/15-1943/10/05, situation maps of Lage Ost show: | | | |
| 1943/08/20 | Zhukovka, Pesochnya, Rzhanitsa | Operations against partisans, security | |
| 1943/09/21 | Razrytoye, Kanichi, Klyapino, Korma, Lykovo, Vilchitsy | Disengagement movements | |

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| 1943/10/03 | Korma, Lykovo, Vilchitsy, Bykhov, Mogilev | Operations against partisans, security | |
| 1943/10/10 | Chechevichi, Bobruisk, Drichin, Osipovichi, Yasen, Klichev, Staryye Dorogi, Zayelnik, Lyubonichi | Movement, operations against partisans, mopping-up action, security | |
| 1943/11/19 | Shatilki, Otruby, Gorval', Mormal', Yashchitsy, Bor, Dobrogoshcha, Berezina River sector | Movement, construction of antitank defense, reconnaissance and defensive operations | |
| 1943/12/19 | Shatilki, Berezina River | Counterattack to secure bridgehead | |

Records of the 707.ID are reproduced on rolls 2246-2249 of NARS Microfilm Publication T315 and are described following the unit history.

Although no records of this division were available in the National Archives for 1941/05/01-1942/03/16 or after 1943/12/31, records of OKH/GenStdH/Org.Abt., H 1/131 (T78, roll 412), situation maps of Lage Ost, and the general officer personnel files were used for those periods and show:

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| 1944/01/01 | Shatilki, Mormal', | Operations against partisans, security | |
| 1944/01/11 | Gadilovichi, Yashchitsy | Defensive operations | |
| 1944/01/23 | Luchin, Tsuper | Defensive operations with the 45. and 296.ID | |
| 1944/02/18 | Zdudichi | Defensive operations | |
| 1944/03/03 | Rogachev, Plesovichi | Defensive operations | Gen.Maj. Gustav Gihl, 1944/04/05-1944/04/10 |
| 1944/05/15 | West of Dubrova, Rogachev | Defensive operations | |
| 1944/05/24 | Glussk | Defensive operations | |
| 1944/06/07 | Northeast of Bobruisk, Shatsk | Defensive operations | |
| 1944/06/23 | East of Bobruisk, Ozerane | Defensive operations | |
| 1944/06/26 | Batzevichi, Beresnevka | Defensive operations, probably captured or destroyed | |

Source: records of OKH/GenStdH/Org.Abt., H 1/38 (T78, roll 398, p. 167) and H 1/131 (T78, roll 412) and OKH/AHA/Abwicklungsstab, H 41/14 (T78, roll 140, 1st frame 6069665) show:

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| 1944/07/03 | Marina Gorka | Breakthrough by remnants |
| 1944/07/18 | | Formation of Marsch-Ergaenzungs-Btl. 9 and 10 from remnants of the 707.ID by HGr. Mitte |
| 1944/08/03 | | Official disbandment |

Manuscript in the Foreign Military Studies series, prepared by former German officers for the Historical Division, Headquarters U.S. Army, Europe, between 1945 and 1959, contains reference to the 707.ID as follows:

MS D-102 (Protection of lines of communications in the Army Group Center sector, defense against partisans in the Baranovichi, Minsk, Borisov, and Bryansk areas, 1 Sep 1941-mid-Feb 1943), by Gen.Maj. Gustav von Mauchenheim.

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| Ia, KTB. War journal concerning release of Kommandantur des Sicherungsgebietes Weissruthenien (Belorussia) to the 202. Sicherungs-Brigade, 17-19 Mar 1942; preparations for and movement from Minsk to Bobruisk, 20-27 Mar; execution of Unternehmen Bamberg (operations against partisans in the Bobruisk area, 28 Mar-6 Apr); preparations for and movement to Bryansk, 7-15 Apr; and regrouping, training, operations against partisans, mopping-up action, air raid protection, securing roads, railroads, and supply depots, and control of the civilian population in the Bryansk, Zhizdra, Lyudinovo, Dubrovka, Zhukovka, Kletnya, Dyatkovo, Star, Rzhanitsa, Vygonichi, and Pochep areas, 16 Apr-31 Dec. | 1942/03/17-1942/12/31 | 707.ID 27797/1 | 2246 | 1 |
| Ia, Anlagen zum KTB. Orders, reports, maps, and overlays pertaining to preparations for and release of Kdtr. des Sicherungsgebietes Weissruthenien (Belorussia) to the 202. Sicherungs-Brigade, 3-19 Mar 1942; movement from Minsk to Bobruisk, 19-30 Mar; preparations for and execution of Unternehmen Bamberg, 21 Mar-6 Apr; movement to Bryansk, 7-15 Apr; and regrouping, training, operations against partisans, reconnaissance, mopping-up action, and securing roads, railroads, and supply depots in the Bryansk, Dyatkovo, Lyubokhna, Seltso, Zhukovka, Zhizdra, Vygonichi, Pochep, and Krasnyy Rog areas, 16 Apr-29 Jun. Lists of officers duty assignments, order-of-battle charts, and data relating to partisan activity and losses. | 1942/03/03-1942/06/29 | 707.ID 27797/2 | 2246 | 239 |
| Ia, Ib, Ic, Na.Fue., IVd, Anlagen zum KTB. Orders, reports, and overlays pertaining to operations against partisans; mopping-up action; securing roads, railroads, and supply lines and units; evacuation and destruction of villages; construction of strong points; control, treatment, and morale of the Russian population; training; and regrouping in the Bryansk, | 1942/07/01-1942/09/20 | 707.ID 27797/3 | 2246 | 432 |

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| <p>Pochev, Zhukovka, Star, Ivot, Vygonichi, Seltso, Kletnya, Lyubokhna, Rzhanitsa, Lyubeqcsch, Krasnyy Rog, Zhizdra, and Dyatkovo areas and Unternehmen Adler, Passau, and Erntefest II (operations against partisans), 14 Aug-9 Sep 1942. Activity report of Nachrichten-Kompanie 707 concerning formation and training in Munich, Wehrkreis VII; movement to Belorussia (Weissruthenien); commitment in the Baranovich, Minsk, Kobrin, Pinsk, and Slutsk areas; movement to Bobruisk and participation in Unternehmen Bamberg; and movement to the Bryansk area, 2 May 1941-7 Jun 1942. Activity report of the Catholic chaplain, 24 Jun-6 Aug; lists of casualties, deserters, and officers duty assignments; order-of-battle charts; status reports; an afteraction critique relating to operations against partisans; data regarding partisan activity, tactics, air force, strength, and losses; monthly reports on supply operations; periodic intelligence reports and bulletins; and interrogation summaries.</p> | 1942/09/17-1942/12/31 | 707.ID 27797/4 | 2246 | 744 |
| <p>Ia, Ib, Ic, Anlagen zum KTB. Orders, reports, maps, and overlays pertaining to operations against partisans, securing roads, railroads, bridges, supply lines, and the harvest, mopping-up action, control of the civilian population, use of raiding detachments, training, and regrouping in the Bryansk, Zhizdra, Zhukovka, Kletnya, Pochev, Kruqlcye, Lyubokhna, Vygonichi, Peklino, Rzhanitsa, Seltso, and Zhiryatino areas; partisan activity, tactics, losses, and unit identification and strength; Unternehmen Michael (operations against partisans in the Olkhino and Seltso area, 24-25 Sep 1942); Unternehmen Klette I (operations against partisans and mopping-up action in the Kletnya</p> | | | | |

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| and Zadnya area, 12-25 Oct); and Unternehmen Zeisig (operations against partisans in the Zhukovka area of the Desna River sector, 23 Nov). Lists of deserters and officers duty assignments, monthly reports concerning supply operations, and periodic intelligence reports and bulletins. | | | | |
| Ia, Anlagen zum KTB, Gefechts- und Verpflegungsstaerke Meldungen. Combat and ration strength reports of military and civilian personnel and horses and inventories of various types of operational weapons. | 1942/04/01-1942/12/11 | 707.ID 27797/5 | 2246 | 967 |
| IIa/b, Anlagen zum KTB, Verlustlisten. Lists of casualties, including locations where the losses occurred. | 1942/03/28-1942/12/21 | 707.ID 27797/6 | 2247 | 1 |
| Ia, Ib, Ic, Anlagen zum KTB. Orders, reports, radio messages, maps, and overlays pertaining to securing roads and railroads, administration of rear areas, exploitation of the Russian economy, and regrouping in the Bryansk, Seltso, Rzhanitsa, Zhukovka, and Peklino areas and partisan activity and losses, 1 Jan-9 Feb 1943. Unternehmen Klette II (operations against partisans in the Kletnya, Zhandunka, Muzhinovo, Kamenets, Zadnya, and Akulichy areas, 15 Jan-9 Feb); movement of part of the division to defend the Usozha River sector in the Deryugino area, 3-5 Feb; movement to, defensive operations, and training in the Pogodino area northwest of Dmitriyev-Lgovski, 10 Feb-5 Mar; movement to and defense of Komarichi, 6-18 Mar; and movement to, operations against partisans, security, and training in the Lokot, Pogreby, Kholmech, and Shemyakino areas, 18 Mar-6 May, in the Zhukovka, Kletnya, and Zhiryatino areas, 7-10 May, and in the Rzhanitsa, Lotoshniki, Belogavl, Novogorodskoye, Staraya Guta, Seredina-Buda, and | 1943/01/01-1943/06/06 | 707.ID 41762/1 | 2247 | 362 |

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| <p>Bezhitsa areas, 11 May-6 Jun. Lists of officers duty assignments, order-of-battle charts, circuit diagrams, an activity report of postmaster 769 at Bryansk-Lokot for April, a status report, standard procedures, monthly evaluation of the supply situation, periodic intelligence reports and bulletins, and interrogation summaries.</p> | | | | |
| <p>Ia, Ib, Ic, Na.Fue., FPM, Anlagen zum KTB. Orders, reports, radio messages, maps, and overlays pertaining to operations against partisans, securing roads and railroads, training, and regrouping in the Bryansk, Star, Peklino, Kletnya, Muzhinovo, Dubrovka, Foshnya, Zhukovka, Rzhanitsa, Dyatkovo, Seltso, and Bezhitsa areas; release of the Dubrovka area to Korueck 559, 1 Jul 1943; formation of Kampfgruppe Busich from part of the 707.ID, 20-23 Jul; construction, occupation, and defense of the "Widerstandslinie Blau" (line of resistance) positions in the Stayki, Uspenskoye, Buki, and Khvastovich areas, 24 Jul-12 Aug; and the Hagen-Bewegung (disengagement movement to the Batogovo area east of Krassnoye, 13-14 Aug). Activity and afteraction reports regarding the commitment of I./Gren.Rgt. 727 in the Tureyevka area while attached to the 183.ID, 15 Jul-3 Aug; the III./Gren.Rgt. 727 in the Mileyevc and Mokryye Dvorik area while attached to the 95.ID, 24 Jul-4 Aug; and II./Gren.Rgt. 727 and 747 in the Tereben area while attached to Gruppe von Boeselager, 14-30 Jul; and a survey of Unternehmen Freischuetz and Nachbarhilfe (operations against partisans and mopping-up action in the Konshino, Novyye Umyslich, and Kokhanovo areas and along the Bezhitsa-Zhukovka railroad line, 1 Jun-8 Jul). Activity report of postmaster 369, lists of</p> | 1943/06/10-1943/08/14 | 707.ID 41762/2 | 2247 | 699 |

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| <p>officers duty assignments, special directives concerning supply and signal communications, monthly evaluation of the supply situation, an order-of-battle chart of partisan group Popoff, data relating to enemy activity and losses, and intelligence bulletins.</p> | 1943/10/06-1943/12/23 | 707.ID 41762/4 | 2248 | 1 |
| <p>Ia, Ic, IIa/b, FPM 769, Anlagen zum KTB. Orders, reports, radio messages, maps, and overlays pertaining to operations against partisans in the Lykovo, Vilchitsy, Bykhov, and Mogilev areas, 6-9 Oct 1943; assembly in Bykhov and movement to Chechevichi, relief of the Hungarian 12th Division, 10-13 Oct, and operations against partisans, mopping-up action, and securing roads and railroads in the Bobruisk, Osipovichi, Drichin, Starye Doroqi, Yasen, Zayelnik, Klichev, and Lyubonichi areas, 14 Oct-18 Nov; movement to Shatilki, 19-23 Nov, and construction of antitank defense and reconnaissance and defensive operations in the Otruby, Gorval', Mormal', Yashchitsy, Bor, and Dobrogoshcha areas in the Berezina River sector, 24 Nov-18 Dec; and preparations for and execution of Angriff Brueckensicherung (counterattack to secure the bridgehead in the Shatilki area and along the Berezina River, 19-23 Dec).</p> <p>Operations of Gruppe Nadrowski (Feld-Kdt. 550), Gruppe Ochsner (31.ID), and Gruppe Hcffmeister (383.ID) and their attached units of the 707.ID. Data relating to partisan activity, losses, and unit identification and location. Lists of officers duty assignments; awards granted; code names; order-of-battle charts; activity reports of postmaster 769, 1 Oct-30 Nov; combat strength reports; inventory of weapons; monthly evaluation of the supply situation; and afteraction reports concerning an enemy breakthrough in the</p> | | | | |

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| Yashchitsy-Bor area, 4 Dec, and an enemy armored attack on the command post of Gren.Rgt. 727 in the Dubrova area, 4-5 Dec. | | | | |
| IIa/b, Anlagen zum KTB, Verlustlisten. Lists of casualties presenting location, rank, unit, name of officer, civilian official, or enlisted man, date and place of birth, type of casualty, and the closest relative. | 1942/10/15-1943/08/31 | 707.ID 41762/5 | 2248 | 353 |
| IIa/b, Anlagen zum KTB, Verlustlisten. Lists of casualties presenting location, service status, unit, rank, name of officer, civilian official, or enlisted man, date and place of birth, type of casualty, and location and name of hospital or cemetery. | 1943/05/03-1944/01/19 | 707.ID 41762/6 | 2249 | 1 |
| IIa/b, Anlagen zum KTB, Gefechts- und Verpflegungsstaerken. Combat and ration strength reports, inventories of weapons and horses on hand, and a list of officers duty assignments dated 15 Apr 1942. | 1942/12/31-1943/12/28 | 707.ID 41762/7 | 2249 | 331 |