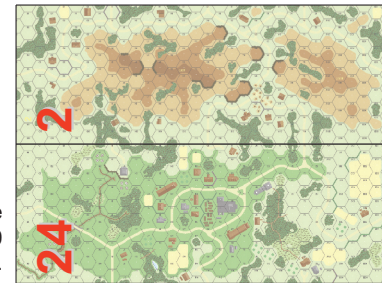




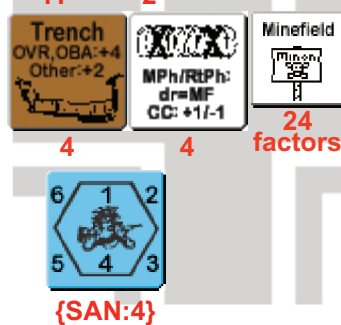
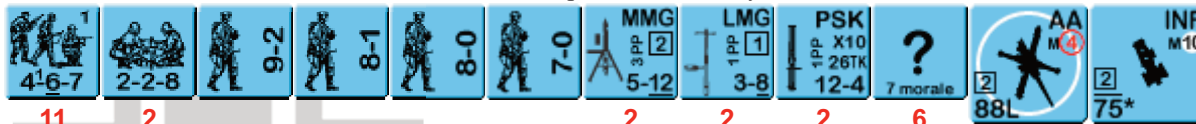
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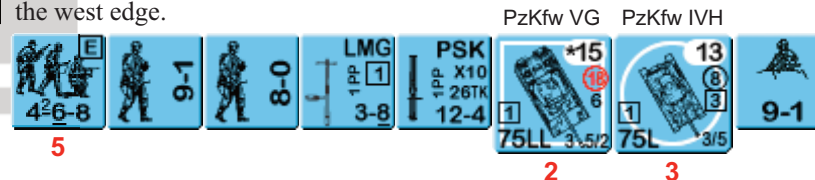
## Victory Conditions:

The Russians win if at game end they have scored > 10 points more than the Germans. The Germans score three points for each level 3 hill location and one point for each stone location controlled at game end. The Russians score EVP for units (EXC:prisoners) exited between 24Y10 and 24I10 inclusive.

**Elements, 208th Infanterie Division [ELR:3] setup on board 24/any board 2 hex numbered > 7**



**Elements, 8th Panzer Division enter turn 3 along the south edge OR turn 4 along the west edge.**



**Balance:** delete one T-34/85 from the Russian OB

**Elements, 12 Guards Tank Corps and 305th Rifle Division [ELR:3] enter turn 1 along the north edge**



enter turn 3 along the north edge:



**Balance:** exchange the 88L Flak 18 for a 75L PaK 40

## Nizna Pisana, Slovakia,

**October 25th, 1944:**

STAVKA plans for the series of offensives throughout the summer of '44 included attacks through the Carpathians. This way, they could separate Hungary from the rest of the Reich, and finish carving up the last of Germany's Eastern European allies. As the Slovak uprising would secure the northern flanks, several Mechanized Corps would proceed through the passes and valleys to support the assault on Budapest. When the uprising stalled, German forces secured the bottlenecks such as the Dukla pass. Wanting to keep the Slovaks in the fold a bit longer, Hitler ordered the Carpathians to be fortified along the Arpad Line, and armored reserves were moved in from Poland. Throughout the months of September and October, little Slovakia would be the scene of some bloody fighting.

## Special Rules:

- EC are moist with no wind at start. Ground Snow (E3.72) is in effect. Kindling is NA.
- The Germans may use HIP for one squad-equivalent and any SMC/SW stacked with it.

## Aftermath:

The Carpathian Mountains were anything but tank country, and the autumn rain made the ground even more treacherous for the mechanized units of Konev's First Ukrainian Front. Nonetheless, the Dukla pass was cleared of Axis units by 6 October. Even as many Slovaks left to join the attackers and local partisan bands, the landers of Heinrich's First panzer Armee felt safe in their extensive fortifications. Thus were they surprised to see Soviet tanks bearing down from the ridgelines once the rain and fog cleared at the end of October. Counterattacked by the 8th Panzer Division, the Soviet onslaught was slowed long enough for German artillery to finish the job. The attack through the Carpathians was halted, but for all military purposes Slovakia was lost as an effective ally to the Reich.

GERMAN sets up first

RUSSIAN moves first

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END

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