## "Haenert's Line"



## Vas'kovo, Russian— July 23rd, 1941

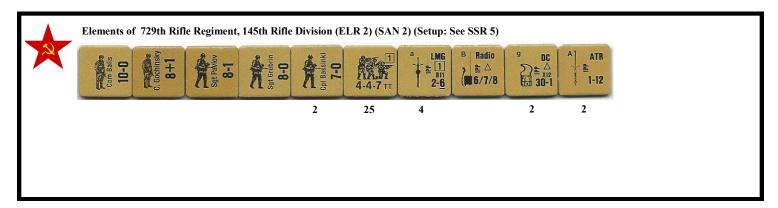
As Operation Barbarossa reached the one month mark, the men of the Grossdeutschland Regiment were holding positions along the Smolensk-Roslaval Railway at Vas'kovo just to the west of Voroshilovo. Under the command of Oberleutnant Karl Hanert, the grenadiers and machine gun sections of 2nd Company were in well concealed dug in positions. As the day began, Russian artillery pounded the German positions. Then as the artillery fire began to lift, the Germans could see masses of Russian infantry, moving directly towards their positions. These were men of the 145th Rifle Division. With Soviet Commissars providing encouragement, the brown wave rolled towards Haenert's Line.



## **Board Configuration:**

VICTORY CONDITIONS: The Russian Player wins immediately by controlling								-4a	
one or more of these Hexes: DW-4b Hex BB13, DW-4a Hex CC9, or Hex X5. Any other result is a German victory.						BFP N	BFP DW-2b		
German Player sets up first	1	2	3	4	8	Playable Rows: BFP-N Rows R-GG / BFP DW-4b Rows R-GG/ BFP DW-2b Rows A-P / BFP DW-4a Rows R-GG			

Elements of 2nd Company, Grossdeutschland Infantry Regiment (ELR 4) (SAN 4) (Set up: On any full hex of Boards DW-4b and DW-4a) + LMG M 10 å 2 ₹ 1 2 OVR, OBA: Other: -3-8 5-12 **75**\* 8 2 3 2 2 10



## **Special Rules/Notes:**

Russian Player moves first

- EC are moderate with no wind at start.
- Russian Radio represents one module of 80mm OBA.
- At game start, all German units are concealed if in concealment terrain, including those in entrenchments.
- Prior to game start, the German Player may deploy up to 2 Squads.
- The Russian Player sets up as follows: The Russian Radio with one SMC may set up HIP on any full hex of Boards BFP N or BFP DW-2b. The remaining Russian units set up as follows: On Board BFP N—any full hex numbered 5-10 and on Board BFP DW-2b—any full hex numbered 15-20.
- Due to the presence of Soviet Commissars, No Quarter is in effect.



Aftermath: The men of the Russian 729th Rifle Regiment stormed towards the German positions. Their officers had massed them into an assault line that moved en masse right behind an artillery barrage. Oberleutnant Haenert had twelve MG-34's defending the line with support from a pair of light infantry guns. Haenert waited until the Russians were as close as 200 meters before unleashing the full brunt of the MG-34's. The results were disastrous for the Russians. Waves of disorganized Russian infantry were systematically mowed down. Without any heavy weapons support the Russians could only depend on their courage to carry the day. It would not be sufficient to overcome Haenert's Line as the men of the Grossdeutschland repulsed the assault.

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