"They went that Way!"



Highway 120 near Troina, Sicily — August 5th, 1943

The fighting in Sicily was nearing its end as the Allies pushed their way through the Axis defenses around Troina. Patton would relieve the hard fighting 45th "Thunderbirds" in order to rest them up for the coming invasion of Italy. He would put in the 9th "Old Reliables" to continue pursuing the Germans towards Randazzo and then on to Messina and the end game in Sicily. Retreating before the Americans was the 15th Panzergrenadier Division. The fighting at Troina had inflicted severe losses, but General Hans Hube was skillfully extricating his units towards the coast and then to safety in Italy. But, sacrifices would have to be made in order for the division to escape. To that end, German rearguard units mined and booby-trapped the roads leading to Randazzo to slow the Americans as much as possible.

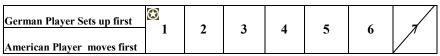
VICTORY CONDITIONS: The American Player wins immediately when there are no good order German Units on or adjacent to the 61Y1-61I10-2aI1-2aF5-2aL10-2aN14-2aI20 Road. Any other result is a German victory.

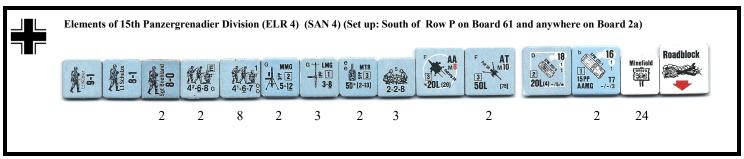
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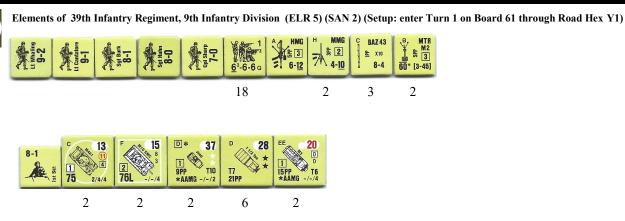
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Special Rules/Notes:

- 1. EC are moderate with no wind.
- 2. Bore Sighting is N.A.
- 3. No Quarter is N.A.
- 4. Kindling is N.A.
- 5. Germans may freely deploy.
- 6. Due to local intelligence provided to the Americans, German units including AA and AT Guns may not set up HIP. Concealment applies as normally.
- 7. Americans must enter on Turn 1 as riders and/or passengers.
- 8. Friendly-Country Attacker Information (E2.4) is in effect for the American Player.



Aftermath: As the 39th Infantry Regiment rapidly followed the retreating Germans, they would encounter Sicilian citizens who were eager to point out German ambush positions. With this key intelligence, the Americans continued their advance. A number of sharp firefights would occur as the Americans moved along Highway 120. With good intelligence and massive firepower, the Americans were able to push the Germans off the road and knock them back to Randazzo. Messina was finally coming into focus.