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DATE	LOCATION	ACTIVITY	CHAIN OF COMMAND
1940/02/06	Wehrkreis III, Berlin-Gruenewald Frankfurt/Oder	Activation, formation, training	C.O.: Gen.Maj. Josef Russwurm, 1940/02/06-1940/07/15 Subordinate to: Stellv.Gen.Kdo. III, 1940/02/02-1940/05/08 OKH (Reserve), 1940/05/09-1940/05/20
1940/05/18	Aachen	Transfer, assembly	
1940/05/22	Eupen, Werbomont, Gedinne, Marche-en-Famenne	Advance into Belgium	
1940/05/25	Revin, Rocroi, Bourg-Fidele, Vervins, Laon, Plomion, Montaigu, Audigny, Aisne River	Advance into France, defensive operations, regrouping, offensive engagements	
1940/06/04	Aisne River, Reims, Epernay, Ville-en-Tardenois, Seignelay, Auxerre, Ouanne, Entrains, Vailly, Blancafort, Mondoubleau, Chambord, Guingamp, Moncontour, Quintin, Bourbriac, Lannion, Saint-Brieuc	Offensive engagements, occupation duty, coastal defense (source: situation maps of Lage West; no records available for the period 1940/06/04-1940/10/15)	
1940/07/10			C.O. Gen.Lt. Justin von Obernitz, 1940/07/16-1941/12/24
1940/10/16	Le Val Andre, Cotes-du-Nord	Coastal defense, occupation duty, training	Subordinate to: AK 23, 1940/10/16-1941/02/26
1941/03/05	Leszno, Poland Kalisz, Rawicz, Koscian, Pyzdry	Transfer, occupation duty, training	AK 12, 1941/03/05-1941/05/01 AK 13, 1941/05/01-1941/05/28
1941/05/23	Lodz, Grojec, Vistula River, Otwock, Kolbiel, Siennica, Bug River, Siemiatycze	Movement	AK 53, 1941/05/23-1941/06/25
1941/06/28	Kamenets-Litovskiy, Brest Kamianka, Pripet Marshes, Luninets	Advance into Russia, offensive operations	AK 35 Hoeheres Kommando zbV, 1941/06/25-1941/09/01
1941/07/14	Pinsk, David-Gorodok, Petrikov, Ptich River, Demenka, Lesets, Domanovichi, Gorodnya, Nezhin	Advance, offensive operations	

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1941/08/21	Ipa River, Tsidov, Dnieper River, Desna River, Kovchin	Movement, offensive operations	
1941/09/01	Kiev, Priluki, Piryatin, Gorodishche, Zolotonosha	Battle, advance	AK 43, 1941/09/01-1941/09/17 AK 35 Hoeheres Kommando, 1941/09/17-1942/09/13
1941/09/21	Lubny, Bakhmach, Glukhov, Seredina-Buda, Bryansk, Sevsk	Offensive operations, advance	
1941/10/10	Suzemka, Negino, Aleshkovichi, Usozha River, Trostnaya, Nerussa and Oka Rivers, Orel, Sobakino, Arkhangelskiy, Novosil	Defensive and offensive operations, advance	
1941/11/16	Kulyashi, Yefremov, Alekseyevka, Semenek and Lyubovsha Rivers, Poganets, Volynskoye, Chemodanovo	Offensive engagements, advance	
1941/12/16	Pankovo, Novomikhaylovskoye, Chulkovo, Zhelyabug, Glubki-Gorodilovo	Defensive engagements	C.O.: Gen.Lt. Werner Forst, 1941/12/22-1943/01/10
1942/02/16	Susha River sector	Defensive engagements, regrouping, position defense	
1942/09/13	Ulyanovo	Movement, position defense	Subordinate to: AK 41 Pz, 1942/09/13-1942/11/03 AK 53, 1942/11/03-1943/07/23
1943/07/11	Ulyanovo, Karachev, Orel,	Battle	C.O.: Gen.Lt. Karl Arndt, 1943/01/10-1943/11/20 Subordinate to: PzAOK 2, 1943/07/24-1943/07/27 AK 23, 1943/07/28-1943/08/15 AOK 9, 1943/08/16-1943/08/23
1943/08/24	Poltava, Kharkov	Disengagement movement	HGr Sued, 1943/08/24-1943/08/30 AK 42, 1943/08/31-1943/09/05
1943/09/06	Dnieper River, Kremenchug	Retreat	AK 52, 1943/09/06-1943/09/30
1943/10/02	Pyatikhatki	Retreat, incorporation of elements of 293.ID into 161.ID, formation of Korps Abteilung A	AK 57 Pz, 1943/10/01-1943/10/15

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1943/10/21	Novo-Arkhangelsk	Assembly, movement of staff and remnants	AK 52, 1943/10/16-1943/11/20
1943/11/24	Radom, Poland	Disbandment, formation of 359.ID with staff and remnants of 293.ID	

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Ia, KTB 2. Coastal defense, occupation duty, and training in the area of Le Val Andre, Cotes-du-Nord Department, and relief by the 83.ID, 26 Feb 1941; activity report of the intelligence branch concerning counterintelligence operations; and a supplementary register of officers. (No records available for the period 1940/06/04-1940/10/15.)	1940/10/16-1941/02/26	293.ID W7288/1	1929	203
Ia, Anlagen zum KTB 2. Reports and orders concerning training, inspection of troops, units strength, transportation, quartering, leave, and counterintelligence activity; and order-of-battle charts.	1940/10/16-1941/02/25	293.ID W72882/2	1929	237
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Ia, Anlage 1 zum KTB 3. Occupation duty and training in the Leszno, Rawicz, Koscian, Pyzdry, and Kalisz areas; movement to the Russian border via Konin, Lodz, Grojec, the Vistula River, Otwock, Kolbiel, Siennica, the Bug River, and Siemiatycze areas; and advance into Russia, offensive engagements in the Kamenets-Litovskiy, Brest, Kamianka, and Luninets areas, and the Pripet Marshes. Orders, radiograms, and maps pertaining to training, transport, supply, quartering, and offensive operations; status reports; and a comprehensive report on mopping-up operations in the Kamianka, Slochy, and Annopolskie areas, 27-29 Jun 1941.	1941/03/13-1941/07/13	293.ID 17397/2	1929	824
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Ia, Anlagen zum KTB 3. Movement and offensive operations in the Lesets, Domanovichi, Gorodnya, and Nezhin areas; and crossing the Ipa River at Tsidov on 21 Aug, the Dnieper River at Bronnoye on 27 Aug, and the Desna River east of Kovchin on 7 Sep 1941. Includes statement of the commander of AOK 2 that the proposal to advance toward Gomel was first made on 18 Jul 1941.	1941/08/17-1941/09/15	293.ID 17397/4	1930	550
Ia, Anlagen zum KTB 3. Offensive and defensive	1941/10/11-1941/11/15	293.ID 17397/6	1931	1

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Ia, Anlagen zum KTB 3. Orders and messages pertaining to movements and offensive operations from Priluki to the Zolotonosha area via Piryatin and Gorodishche, 16-24 Sep; and advance and offensive engagements from the Lubny area to Sevsk via Bakhmach, Baturin, Korop, Glukhov, and Seredina-Buda, 26 Sep-10 Oct 1941. Special supply directives and casualty reports.	1941/09/16-1941/10/10	293.ID 17397/5	1931	706
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