

# FT11 DOUBLE DETENTE

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## HISTORICAL ACCOUNT

**LOCATION:** Zouravlinie, Ukraine

**DATE:** 3 August 1943

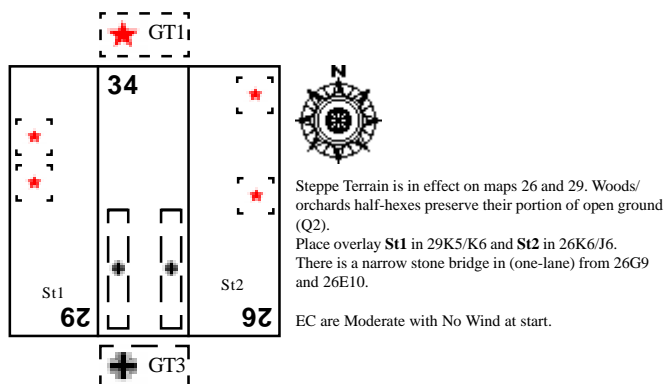
**COMMENTARY:** The Soviet counterattack on the Orel forced the Germans to suspend their offensive against Kursk, including the southern drive that had shown the most promising results. In this sector, the armoured spearheads the offensive was folds (48<sup>th</sup> Panzer Korps) or were dispersed to other theatres of operations (II SS Panzer Korps). The forehead is located new d therefore, just north of Belgorod and left to the care of the infantry and armoured divisions of the 4<sup>th</sup> Panzer Army. In spite of the heavy losses undergone by the four armoured divisions remaining (they could hardly gather together 150 tanks), Manstein thought that the Soviets, themselves toughly tried by fighting since the beginning of July, would mark a pause in their offensives. He/it is not anything of it because August 3 foreheads of the steppe and Voronej trigger the Roumantsev operation with for objective taken it of Kharkov. 15 kilometres northwest of Belgorod the first echelon of Managarov's 53<sup>rd</sup> Army rushed to assault the three regiments of the German 167<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division. This first echelon was supported by the 1<sup>st</sup> Mechanised Army whose job would be to exploit the breakthrough.

At 8 o'clock, the 252<sup>nd</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> divisions attack and easily passed the German trench perimeter line, which had been crushed by the previous artillery preparation. Pushing their advantage, they overflow by the right and by the left a wood of which she/it ignores that he/ it is a place of concentration and a shelter for the Germans. Those don't go without here, from their central position, to open fire on the soviet troops in march, whose advance is antagonised thus. After a bombardment of extensively fruitless heavy artillery, the Soviets were forced to prematurely detach their mechanised reserve. Repulsing counterattacks from the 6<sup>th</sup> Panzer Division the Soviets finally ejected the Germans out of the woods, and the advance toward Belgorod could thus continue. By the evening the 53<sup>rd</sup> army had progressed 8 kilometres and reduced the strength of the 167<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division by two thirds. On the 5<sup>th</sup> Belgorod fell after an expensive effort but without it the Germans had no chance to reverse the course of events.

## TURN RECORD CHART

★ RUSSIAN Sets Up First	★ 1	2	3 <sup>+</sup>	4	5	6	7	END
⊕ GERMAN Moves First								

## THE BATTLEFIELD AND CONDITIONS



## VICTORY CONDITIONS

The Soviets win immediately if they exit ≥ 20 VP of infantry (prisoners and crews do not count) off the south edge of maps 29 and 26. At least 8 VPs must exit each map.

## SCENARIO SPECIFIC RULES:

- 1 Russian trucks are Recalled if they are empty of all Infantry.
- 2 Each German radio can be used to direct the firing of a 120mm mortar. Radio Contact must be established but without the need to check for Battery Access. The rules for Spotter and indirect firing apply to these attacks. The -1 for maintenance of Radio Contact applies. If Radio Contact Radio is lost, all Acquisition is lost.

**Elements of the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalions, 315<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment, 167<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division** set up south of row Y of map 34 on rows 0, 1, and 2 and 8, 9 and 10 (including the half hexes). At least six Squad equivalents, a MMG and a SMC with a Radio must set up on each side of the map. Two German SMC possessing a radio must be HIP in each German set up zone.  
**Balance:** replace one 8-0 with a 8-1.

ELR: 4  
SAN: 4

Set up within 1 hex of 34Z5:  
  
GrW 42  
120 112-1511  
2

Set up HIP on map 34, south of row P:  
  
75L

Elements of the 6<sup>th</sup> Panzer Division enter on GT3 on 34GG5:  
  
50L 3/5 75L 3/5

**Elements of the 252<sup>nd</sup> Division** set up ≤ 2 hexes of 29P2.  
**Balance:** increase the game length by one turn.

ELR: 3  
SAN: 2

Set up ≤ 2 hexes of 29Z2:  
  
6-12

Elements of the 28<sup>th</sup> Guards Division set up ≤ 2 hexes of 26P8:  
  
10

Reinforcements of the 19<sup>th</sup> Mechanised Brigade enter on GT1 or later on 34A5:  
  
29PP 122 76L 24