

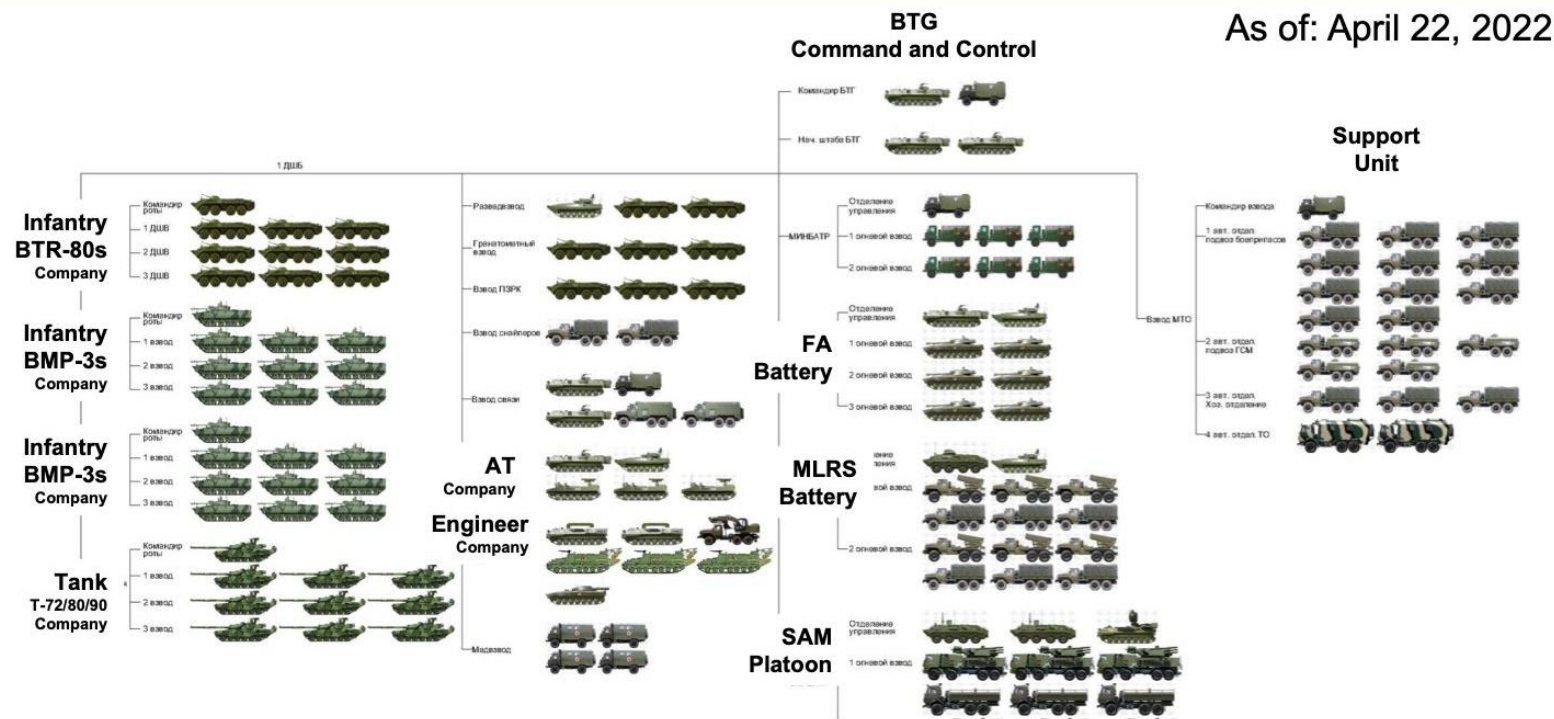


(U) Russian Battalion Tactical Group



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(U) This infographic provides information on Russian Battalion Tactical Group. Battalion Tactical Group (BTG), a motorized rifle or tank battalion, strengthened by other assets, such as artillery, reconnaissance, and air defense resources. BTGs are like NATO battalion task forces and are ad-hoc organizations, individually created and optimized to fulfill a particular mission.



Personnel: 600-800 officers and soldiers

BTGs are task-organized battalion-plus-sized tactical combat entities that can perform independent combined-arms combat missions. They are similar in purpose, structure, and tactics used by U.S. Army battalion task forces. A common misconception is the BTGs are fixed formation, they have a flexible composition and have units added to perform a required role.

Advantages: The combination of different weapons systems including heavy ones at a low organizational level allows heavy artillery bombardments to be laid on more easily and makes them available for use tactically.

Disadvantages: The Basic BTS's lack of manpower (about 200 infantrymen), means it is not designed to hold ground but to continually inflict casualties while remaining mobile.

The primary equipment of a Battalion Tactical Group is shown below.



18x BTR-80 Armored Wheeled Vehicle



20x BMP-3 Armored Tracked Vehicle



2x 2S6M1 Tunguska-M1 Self-Propelled Anti-Aircraft



8x 2B16 Nora-K Gun Mortar



6x 9P149 Shturm-S Anti-Tank Vehicle



6x 9P135M Anti-Tank Guided Missile System



2x 9A34M2 Strela-10 Anti-Aircraft Artillery System



6x BM-21 Multiple Launch Rocket System



10x T-80BMV Main Battle Tank

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