VICTORY CONDITIONS

The German player must eliminate 12 U.S. squads or their equivalent without losing more than one of his tanks, or force the U.S. units to withdraw per SSR 41.6 without losing more than two of his tanks. The

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howitzer is the equal of two squads for victory purposes. The U.S. player wins by avoiding the German victory conditions.

SPECIAL RULES

41.1 Neither player may bore sight any weapon.

41.2 Due to low ammunition supply, the X# of all bazookas is lowered to X9 +.

41.3 All German infantry initially set up in the same hex with an AFV are considered mounted on that AFV. Furthermore, tanks must be setup facing “down road” so that the hexes on which their VCA and TCA is based lies between two hexes of the next higher letter in the alphabet (EX: the Tiger in O9 must be placed with its CA based on the P8-P9 hexagon).

41.4 The 1-0-3 leader represents Colonel Gavin. Should it be KIA or captured, every U.S. unit in the LOS of that leader unit must take a normal MC.

41.5 The howitzer is considered hidden and in firing position (i.e. not in tow) but is not emplaced.

41.6 The U.S. units will break off the action (ending play) at the conclusion of any game turn in which they have lost twice as many squads or their equivalent as the German player, and the German player has more squads on board 2 than on board 15. A mobile Tiger with functioning MA equals two squads for both of the above purposes. Captured units do not count double for withdrawal purposes.

AFTERMATH: The American bazooka teams waited no time, but watched in awe as their rockets exploded on the thick-skinned Germans with no apparent effect. The Tigers sprayed the American skirmish line with MG fire as the panzergrenadiers disengaged, dashed forward, and neutralized the bazooka teams. Meanwhile, up on the ridge, airborne artillerymen managed to manhandle their howitzers into the best possible position and engaged the Tigers in a direct fire shootout. The GIs, aided by the artillery crew, managed to beat back the enemy when they were less than 100 yards from the crest. The Americans held Biazzo Ridge, but at a high cost. Most of Gavin’s force, including Gavin himself, had been wounded. 25 were missing and, later that night, another 50 were buried on the ridge with only three smoking Tigers as mute testimony to their courage.