COMPANY COMMANDER

HELICOPTER UNITS

TACTICAL BRIEFING ON HELICOPTER UNITS

Having a helicopter will speed up deployment of units and make movement much easier across the tough terrain of the area. Later the ability to strike at enemies will be a major asset. Most helicopters are able to carry some sort of weapons, and this combined with tactical mobility can be very useful. Like fixed wing aircraft, the price of these units gets to be very high, and the major advantage may lay in being the first rather than the best. The greater the abilities of a faction, the faster it should grow. The missions that can be attempted are wide, from emergency resupply, covert insertion and casualty evacuation to full scale airmobile attack. Helicopters bring a third dimension to a battlefield and enable forces to be projected further from their normal area of operation. Several helicopters might enable a commander to establish and maintain bases hundreds of miles away, or the establishment of an airbase where larger aircraft can be operated from. Helicopters give the commander with imagination the ability to exploit his daring to the full.

Unit Designation

Aerospatiale SA-330 Puma

Country	France
Base Price	950
Base TTC	920
Crew	2
Cargo Capacity (Lbs)	7200
Casualty Capacity (Sect)	1
Unit Weight (Lbs)	7795
Road Speed (mph)	159
Travel Range (Miles)	313
Communication Range (Miles)	50
Ground Crew Req	1
Runway Length Needed	1
Defence Strength	2



Helicopter Sling Weight (Lbs)	7055
Pylon Load (Lbs)	0
Pylon Amount	0
Cargo Cap (Squads)	1.5
Combat Supply (Pts)	6

One reconditioned Aerospatiale AS-330 Puma medium transport helicopter. The Puma has proved to be a versatile and reliable work horse. It has a good cargo capacity as well as a useful underslung lift capability. It has been designed with combat survivability in mind and is a valuable addition to any faction.

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Westland Wessex

Country	UK
Base Price	444
Base TTC	715
Crew	2
Cargo Capacity (Lbs)	4000
Casualty Capacity (Sect)	1
Unit Weight (Lbs)	3767
Road Speed (mph)	132
Travel Range (Miles)	390
Communication Range (Miles)	50
Ground Crew Req	1
Runway Length Needed	1
Defence Strength	2



Helicopter Sling Weight (Lbs)	3990
Pylon Load (Lbs)	0
Pylon Amount	0
Cargo Cap (Squads)	1.5
Combat Supply (Pts)	8

One reconditioned Westland Wessex helicopter. This unit has served many countries for many years and has become available as they have been retired. It has the ability to carry an underslung load or troops a good distance and survive to get them landed. It is usually unarmed but machineguns can be added as door mounts for ground fire suppression.

Unit Designation

Mil MI-8 Hip

Country	Russia
Base Price	760
Base TTC	800
Crew	2
Cargo Capacity (Lbs)	6000
Casualty Capacity (Sect)	2
Unit Weight (Lbs)	16007
Road Speed (mph)	142
Travel Range (Miles)	280
Communication Range (Miles)	50
Ground Crew Req	1
Runway Length Needed	1
Defence Strength	2



Helicopter Sling Weight (Lbs)	6600
Pylon Load (Lbs)	400
Pylon Amount	2
Cargo Cap (Squads)	2.5
Combat Supply (Pts)	10

One reconditioned Mil MI-8 medium transport and light attack helicopter. This unit is a useful addition to any faction, giving relatively cheap airmobility and light attack capabilities. It is a rugged and reliable aircraft that can take damage. It has the ability to carry rocket pods and gunpods as well as anti tank missiles.

Unit Designation

Boeing CH-47 Chinook

Country	USA
Base Price	1200
Base TTC	1000
Crew	3
Cargo Capacity (Lbs)	14356
Casualty Capacity (Sect)	4
Unit Weight (Lbs)	22450
Road Speed (mph)	115
Travel Range (Miles)	229
Communication Range (Miles)	50
Ground Crew Req	1
Runway Length Needed	1
Defence Strength	2



Helicopter Sling Weight (Lbs)	28000
Pylon Load (Lbs)	0
Pylon Amount	0
Cargo Cap (Squads)	5
Combat Supply (Pts)	14

One reconditioned Boeing CH-47 Chinook heavy lift helicopter. This famous twin rotor helicopter has been central to many western armies over the last 40 years because of its ability to move large quantities of men and material into battle in a single delivery. Its underslung load capacity means it can bring in heavy weapons and equipment. It is fairly robust and can take battle damage and still deliver. Due to the cost it is not expected that many factions will will have them but the tactical advantages will become plain.

Unit Designation

Aerospatiale SA-316 Allouette III

Country	France
Base Price	221
Base TTC	660
Crew	2
Cargo Capacity (Lbs)	1650
Casualty Capacity (Sect)	0
Unit Weight (Lbs)	2520
Road Speed (mph)	115
Travel Range (Miles)	308
Communication Range (Miles)	50
Ground Crew Req	1
Runway Length Needed	1
Defence Strength	1



Helicopter Sling Weight (Lbs)	1650
Pylon Load (Lbs)	200
Pylon Amount	2
Cargo Cap (Squads)	0.5
Combat Supply (Pts)	7

One reconditioned Aerospatiale SA-316 Allouette III light helicopter. Originally manufactured in France, most of those available to Arms Dealers are made by Hindustan Industries in India. The model is capable of carrying rocket pods and gun pods and anti tank missiles as well as 5 men. This makes it suitable for inserting recon teams into enemy territory, air recon, artillery spotting or escorting other missions as a gunship. For the price, a very good investment.

Unit Designation

Mil MI-2 Hoplite

Country	Russia
Base Price	340
Base TTC	544
Crew	2
Cargo Capacity (Lbs)	2000
Casualty Capacity (Sect)	1
Unit Weight (Lbs)	5218
Road Speed (mph)	120
Travel Range (Miles)	105
Communication Range (Miles)	50
Ground Crew Req	1
Runway Length Needed	1
Defence Strength	2



Helicopter Sling Weight (Lbs)	1760
Pylon Load (Lbs)	165
Pylon Amount	4
Cargo Cap (Squads)	1
Combat Supply (Pts)	4

One reconditioned Mil MI-2 Hoplite Light Utility Helicopter. The Hoplite is a light helicopter capable of deploying a single squad or a small amount of supplies or weapons. Fire support for landings is possible by mounting up to 4 rocket pods, 4 AT-3 Sagger Missiles or 4 machineguns. A further 2 machineguns can be mounted as door gunners. A Hoplite carrying weapons cannot carry cargo. The unit is very vulnerable to ground fire as it has little in the way of armour.