


## COMPANY COMMANDER

### MODULE 8

#### 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	Westland S-55 Whirlwind				
Country	UK				
Base Price	180				
Base TTC	895				
Crew	2				
Cargo Capacity (Lbs)	2500				
Casualty Capacity (Sect)	1				
Unit Weight (Lbs)					
Road Speed (mph)	95			Cargo Cap (Squads)	1
Supply (Pts)	4			Pylon Amount	0
Travel Range (Miles)	360			Pylon Load (Lbs)	0
Night	<input type="checkbox"/>	Total Pylon Load (Lbs)	0		
		Ground Crew Req	1		

One reconditioned S-55 Whirlwind transport helicopter. This unit has been in service since 1950, and was one of the earliest helicopters. It is reliable, but very primitive, carries a light load and is slow. However, the price is such that even smaller factions may well be able to afford this unit. It has no armament, but gives any faction using it an airlift capability that would cost many times more for more modern equipment. This unit was used effectively by the British in the Middle East and Borneo, proving its jungle and mountainous warfare credentials.

Unit Designation	Westland Scout				
Country	UK				
Base Price	200				
Base TTC	920				
Crew	2				
Cargo Capacity (Lbs)	1500				
Casualty Capacity (Sect)	0				
Unit Weight (Lbs)					
Road Speed (mph)	122			Cargo Cap (Squads)	0.5
Supply (Pts)	5			Pylon Amount	2
Travel Range (Miles)	135			Pylon Load (Lbs)	165
Night	<input type="checkbox"/>	Total Pylon Load (Lbs)	330		
		Ground Crew Req	1		

One reconditioned Westland AH.Mk1 Scout light helicopter. The Scout served the British Army for many years, but has long since been retired. It was a reliable work horse capable of carrying a small load of cargo, or rocket pods or guns on its 2 pylons. It can carry 5 passengers if necessary. As a first generation helicopter it is fairly fragile, and cannot take much punishment, but may just add the firepower needed to win any battle.

Unit Designation	MI-2 Hoplite			
Country	Russia			
Base Price	240			
Base TTC	190			
Crew	2			
Cargo Capacity (Lbs)	2000			
Casualty Capacity (Sect)	1			
Unit Weight (Lbs)				
Road Speed (mph)			Cargo Cap (Squads)	1
Supply (Pts)	4		Pylon Amount	4
Travel Range (Miles)	105		Pylon Load (Lbs)	165
Night	<input type="checkbox"/>	Total Pylon Load (Lbs)	660	
		Ground Crew Req	1	

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.