GUATEMALA

Area ........................................... 110,000 sq. km.
Population (1929) .............................. 2,177,000
Density per sq. km. ............................. 19.8

[I. Army.

ORGANS OF MILITARY COMMAND AND ADMINISTRATION

MINISTRY OF WAR.

The Ministry of War comprises the War Office Secretariat, the Supreme Army Command, the Army Intendance Department and the General Inspectorate of Railways.

The Supreme Army Command deals more particularly with questions connected with recruiting, military training, etc.

GENERAL STAFF.

The General Staff is an auxiliary organ of the Supreme Army Command. It consists of all generals of division and generals of brigade in the army and is under the direct authority of the Ministry of War.

ARMY STAFF.

The Army Staff is an auxiliary organ of the War Secretariat, to which it is attached. It is responsible for the examination of all technical questions relating to the national army.

ADVISORY WAR COUNCIL.

The Council is presided over by the Minister of War, its purpose being to assist the Minister and to pass resolutions on questions of essential importance to the army.
ARMY INSPECTORATES.

The Minister of War acts as Inspector-General of the army. There are at present six Army Inspectorates corresponding to six zones.

ORGANISATION AND COMPOSITION OF THE ARMY

The Guatemalan army is divided into an active army and a reserve. The active army is subdivided into regular troops, mobilisable troops and territorial troops, the last-named consisting of men who have not received any regular military training.

The reserve army comprises the mobile reserve, consisting of men who have received military training, and the territorial reserve, consisting of men who have not received any military training.

The army comprises:
- 14 companies of infantry;
- 1 cavalry squadron;
- 8 batteries of artillery;
- 6 machine-gun companies and 1 machine-gun section;
- 1 guard-of-honour battalion.

The Guatemalan army also includes a military flying corps, which was organised on June 1st, 1929.

RECRUITING SYSTEM AND PERIOD OF SERVICE

Military service is compulsory. The period of service with the colours is one year in the infantry and cavalry and two years in the artillery and engineers. After completing their active service, the men form part of the mobilisable troops, from which, after they reach the age of 30, they pass into the reserve army (mobile reserve), where they remain until they reach the age of 50.

All men who have not received military training form part of the territorial troops or the territorial reserve.

BUDGETARY EFFECTIVES

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## II. Budget Expenditure on National Defence.

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**Note.** — Military and civil pensions are charged jointly to the Secretariat of Finance.