

Axis & Allies Global 1940 House Rules Expansion

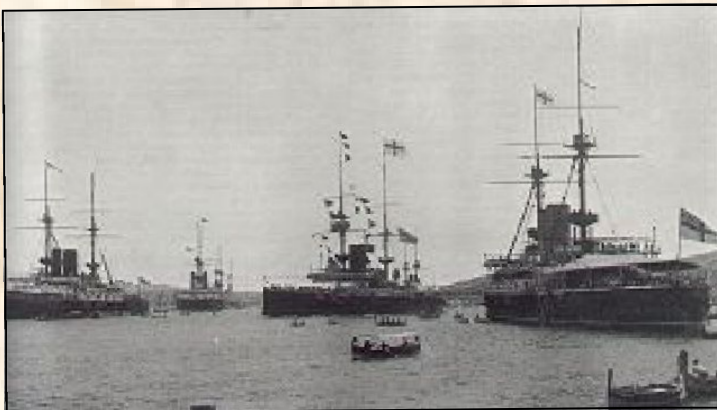
STRATEGY GUIDE

UNITED KINGDOM

With the economy of the United Kingdom & India now combined, the UK economy is one of the strongest from game start. Still, the United Kingdom faces difficult odds, since its units are spread out all over the World.



The United Kingdom is facing a strong enemy – Germany – and must try to secure most of its fighting strength for future combat missions. Under these circumstances, all UK units are vital for the War effort – and most important of all are the Royal Air Force and the Royal Navy.



Soon, the Soviet Union will be at War with Germany and Italy. This will require the UK to send much needed *Lend-Lease* units to Russia. This effort must be coordinated with the United States (see the *United States Strategy Guide*).



If the United Kingdom is to succeed in not only surviving – but also build up its strength for future combat, the most vital combat units must deliberately be used with extreme effectiveness.

One major factor is that most of the *UK Mediterranean Fleet* is kept intact – and strengthened for future combat against the Axis.



This *Strategic Plan* for the United Kingdom described below is based on a War effort combined with the *Strategic Plans* of the United States and the Soviet Union:

War of Attrition:

This strategy will include offensive operations that will be launched in both *The Atlantic & Western Europe* sphere – as well as in *The Pacific Theatre*.



The goal is to wear down the enemy units, by gradually increasing the pressure on both Germany and also Japanese troops in Asia.

These two Axis Nations both have the capacity to build up naval units, which can threaten the Allied fleets, whereas Italy most likely concentrates on increasing the number of air and land units in Africa & the Middle East.

The *Early 1940* scenario described below, assumes that the United Kingdom is not yet at War with Japan:



Early 1940 (game start): starting income: 45 IPC

In *Early 1940* UK purchases:

- 3 Tank units (15 IPC)
- 2 Fighter units (18 IPC)
- 1 Transport unit (6 IPC)
- 2 Infantry units (6 IPC)

Total IPC cost: 45 IPC



Early 1940 Combat Movement:

- 1 Transport moves from sz 98 w/1 Artillery & 1 Tank unit to sz 76 and offloads into Ethiopia
- 1 Cruiser unit from sz 98 supports the amphibious assault
- 1 Mechanized Infantry unit from Egypt moves to Ethiopia
- 1 Infantry unit from Anglo-Egypt Sudan to Ethiopia
- 1 Tactical Bomber unit from sz 98 supports the Tank unit in Ethiopia
- 1 Fighter unit from Malta attacks Italian naval units in sz 96
- 1 Fighter unit from Gibraltar attacks Italian naval units in sz 96
- 1 Destroyer unit from sz 98 attacks Italian naval units in sz 96
- 1 Strategic Bomber unit from London attacks Italian naval units in sz 96

Note:

If any German U-boats or surface vessels are in any position for a lucrative UK attack, the UK should consider taking them out.

Early 1940 Non-Combat Movement:

- All units in *Scotland* move to *London*
- 1 *Strategic Bomber* unit and 1 *Fighter* unit land in *Malta*
- 1 *Aircraft Carrier* unit in sz 98 move to sz 81
- 1 *Destroyer* unit from sz 71 moves to sz 81
- UK units in *Alexandria* move to *Egypt* – leaving behind 1 *Infantry* unit in *Alexandria*
- 1 *Fighter* unit from sz 96 moves to the *Aircraft Carrier* unit in sz 81
- 1 *Tactical Bomber* unit from *Ethiopia* moves to *Anglo-Egypt Sudan*
- 2 *Infantry* units from *Union of South Africa* move by *Strategic Rail Movement* to *Anglo-Egypt Sudan*
- 1 *Infantry* unit from *West India* moves to *Eastern Persia*
- 2 *Infantry* units board the *Transport* unit in sz 39 and move to *Sumatra*
- 1 *Tactical Bomber* unit moves from *India* to the *Aircraft Carrier* in sz 81

Malaya should continuously be reinforced with *Infantry* units through *India-Burma-Shan State*.

Borneo & Sumatra should each be reinforced with *Infantry* units in *Late 1940* and *Early 1941*.

Depending on the situation in the *North Atlantic*, UK land units should move from *London* and/or *Quebec* to *Gibraltar*.

Any surviving naval units in the *Atlantic* should move out of reach from German *U-Boats* and *Luftwaffe* units, if possible.

Early 1940 Place New Units:

- 2 *Fighter* units are placed in *London*
- 3 *Tank* units are placed in *Union of South Africa*
- 1 *Transport* unit is placed in sz 39
- 2 *Infantry* units are placed in *India*

Early 1940 Collect Income:

- United Kingdom has taken over *Sumatra* (4 IPC)
- United Kingdom receives *Advanced Production Capacity* (6 IPC)
- United Kingdom collects *National Bonus Income* (All UK *Economic Value Territories* in Europe = 5 IPC)
- United Kingdom has captured *Ethiopia* (1 IPC)
- Total income: 61 IPC

Future United Kingdom preparations:

In *Late 1940* and *Early 1941* United Kingdom should mainly focus on a *Buildup* of *Fighter* units & *Paratrooper* units in *London*.

When the Soviet Union is at War with Germany & Italy, 3 air units must be sent to the Soviet Union as part of the *Lend-Lease* program.



In *India*, *Infantry* units should be produced at a maximum scale for as long as possible.



Also, the *Naval Base* in both *Kwangtung* & *Malaya* should be demolished in time to prevent them from falling into Japanese hands.



The *Industrial Complex* in *India* should be converted to *Underground Factory* when Japan has the option to strike it with *Strategic Bombing*.



If the situation in Asia deteriorates and *India* can no longer be successfully defended, the *Underground Factory* should be destroyed and surviving units in *India* should withdraw before being annihilated in order to continue a fighting withdrawal through the *Persia* & the *Middle East*



Important:

ANZAC units should take control of *Java* & *Celebes* as well as *Dutch New Guinea*. Those islands must be continuously reinforced with *Infantry* units – and fortified with *Bunkers* – for as long as possible.



ANZAC War Production must be coordinated with the United Kingdom strategy in the Pacific – and should mainly focus on fortification of ANZAC held islands – and harassments against Japanese *Transport* units in the Southern Pacific.



ANZAC *Fighter* units should move to *Malaya & India*, to strengthen the United Kingdom defense.

