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Hummel Ammunition Carrier

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1. General:

A German self-propelled gun chassis adapted for use as a cargo carrier has been found in the Fifteenth U.S. Army area. No equipment or cargo was found which would indicate the exact use of the vehicle but, it is believed that it is the ammunition carrier mentioned in German documents as the "Munitions Trager Hummel" and "Gw. III/IV Mun".

2. Description:

The vehicle is the late model III/IV chassis of the 15 cm. S.P. howitzer "Bumblebee" (Gw. III/IV für 15 cm. s.F.H. 18/1 "Hümmel"). The mount for the 15 cm. gun and some of the stowage brackets and bins were retained in the fighting compartment (Photo 3). No change had been made in the armor arrangement except that a flat 3/8 inch armor plate had been bolted to the fighting compartment front to replace the normal gun shield (Photo 1).

The cargo space inside the armored compartment is approximately 530 cu.ft.

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