

A FALLEN LION



ASL SCENARIO RH3

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Eastern KARELIA, RUSSIA, 20 June 1944: The Russian attack on the Karelian Isthmus had been going on for eleven days. The Finnish II Corps between Onega and Segozero lakes in eastern Karelia had to part with two of its three divisions to bolster the defense of the isthmus, and now had only one division (the 1st) and one brigade (the 21nd) left. That was too little to seriously resist the Russian 32nd Army if the Russians were to attack in this sector too. That was why the Corps was given an order to start a fighting withdrawal to the west. On June 20, the same day Vyborg fell, the Russian 176th Infantry Division began its offensive. In the morning it attacked the stronghold *Leijona-tukikohta* (Lion Base) with company strength, but the attack was repulsed. The attack was renewed at 1400 hours, this time with a whole battalion and artillery support. The Russians were able to achieve a breakthrough, took Lion Base and advanced several hundred meters. Among other units, the elite *Jääkärikomppania* of the 1st Division was ordered to counter-attack. It arrived and immediately went to action against the advancing Russians.

VICTORY CONDITIONS: The Finns win at game end by having more VP (A26.211) east of hexrow K than the Russians have west of hexrow I. Prisoners do not count for VP. A tie is a Russian win.

BOARD CONFIGURATION:

BALANCE:

- Add an extra 8-3-8 at start.
- Replace an 8-1 with a 9-2.



TURN RECORD CHART

Simultaneous Setup [145]	1	2	3	4	5	6	END
RUSSIAN Moves First [126]							

Elements of Jääkärikomppania, 1. Divisioona [ELR: 5] set up concealed within 3 hexes of A6, see SSR2 : {SAN: 2}

5	4	3		

Elements of 55th Regiment, 176th Infantry Division [ELR: 3] set up concealed within 4 hexes of U7, see SSR2 : {SAN: 2}

18	4	2	

SPECIAL RULES:

1. EC is Moderate, with a no wind at start. All Marsh hexes *not* adjacent to water hexes are Mudflats (B16.7). Kindling is NA.
2. Setup is simultaneous. To prevent players from seeing each other's setup, stand an extra board between the Finnish and Russian setup areas. Both sides set up concealed. When both sides have finished setting up, remove the extra board and ensure that any unit in enemy LOS and not in Concealment Terrain lose concealment.
3. On the first turn no CX is allowed for either side.

AFTERMATH: The attack was successful. The Russians were pushed back. The Jägers reached the proximity of the Lion. However, since the II Corps had already been ordered to withdraw, it was meaningless to take back Lion and the attack was stopped to prevent further casualties.