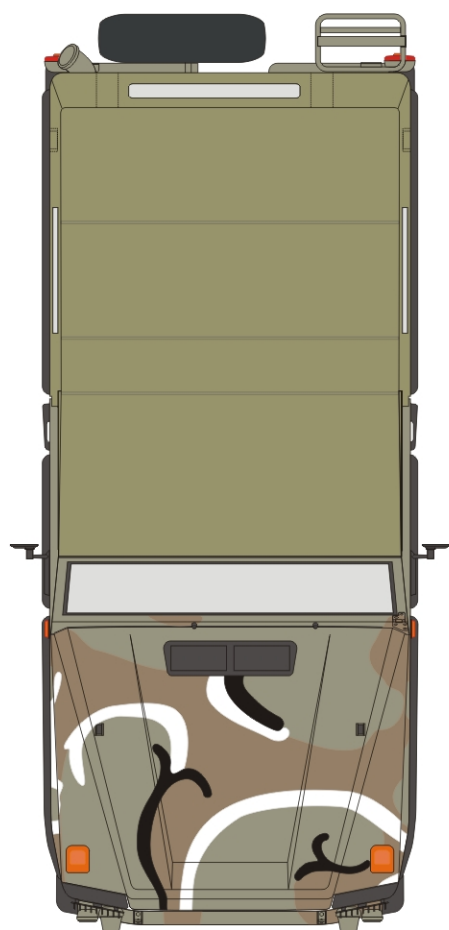
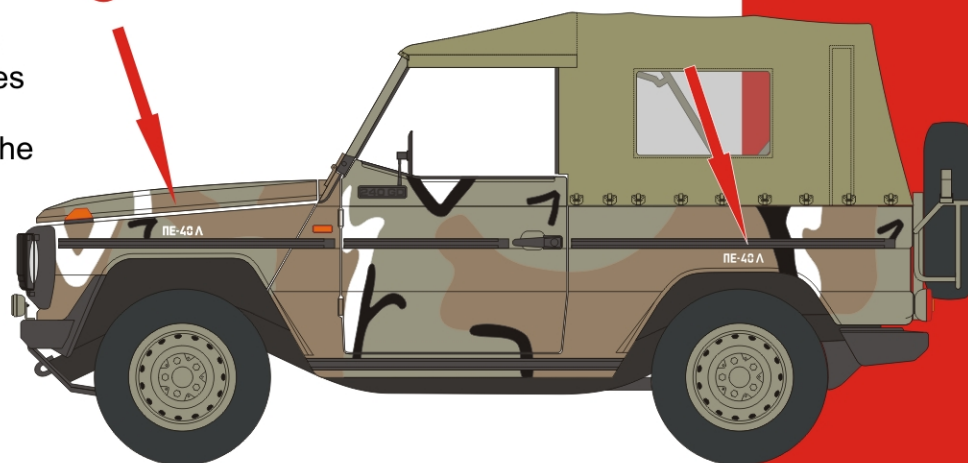
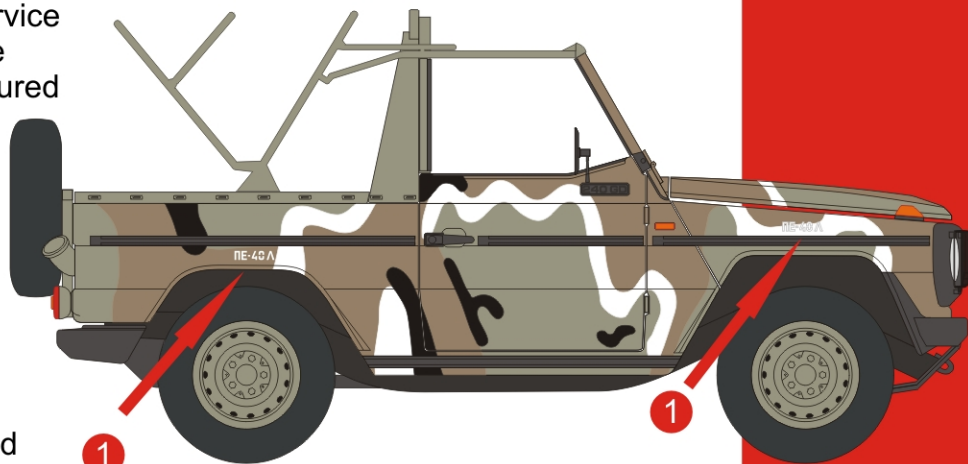


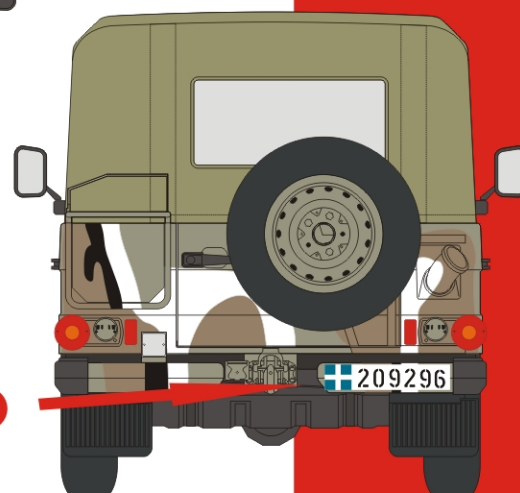
Mercedes 240GD in Hellenic service

The Mercedes G-wagen entered service with the Hellenic armed forces in the late '80s. The vehicle was manufactured in Greece by ELVO which has to this date supplied the armed forces with several thousand vehicles of the type. All three services took delivery of the G-wagen. The army and air force vehicles were supplied in a factory applied four colour camouflage scheme. Navy vehicles were supplied in dark blue although several camouflage finished examples are also in service. The pattern was standard for all vehicles leaving the factory and in many cases was more or less retained in subsequent repaints. In other case the pattern was not retained leading to many interesting variations



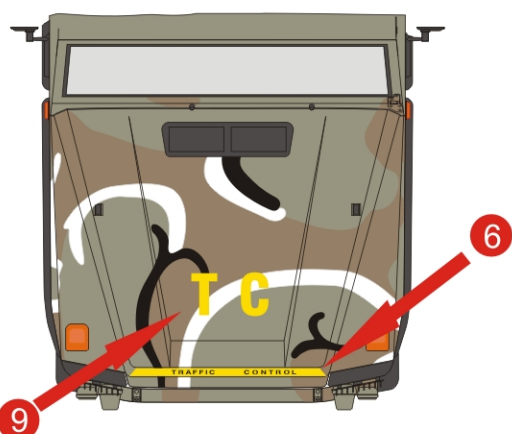
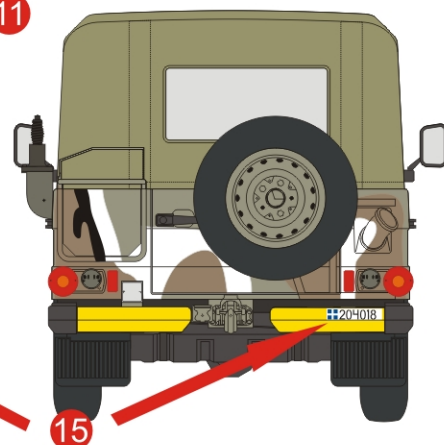
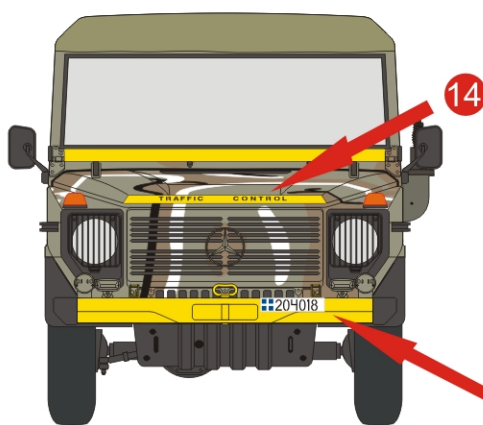
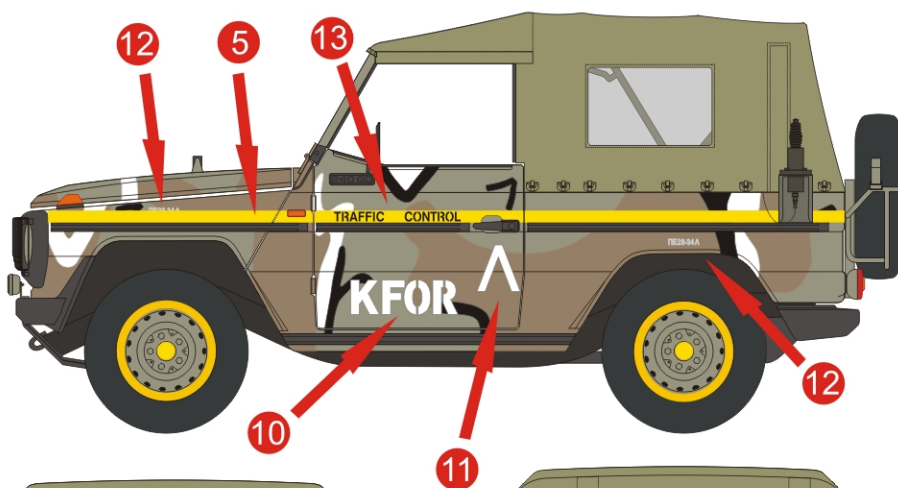
On this vehicle the number plates were metal plates screwed onto the bumpers.

The antifreeze marking was a small metal disk tied to the radiator with wire.



Vehicles tasked with traffic control in the FYROM bore these distinctive yellow markings which followed the military police practice of marking vehicles in white.

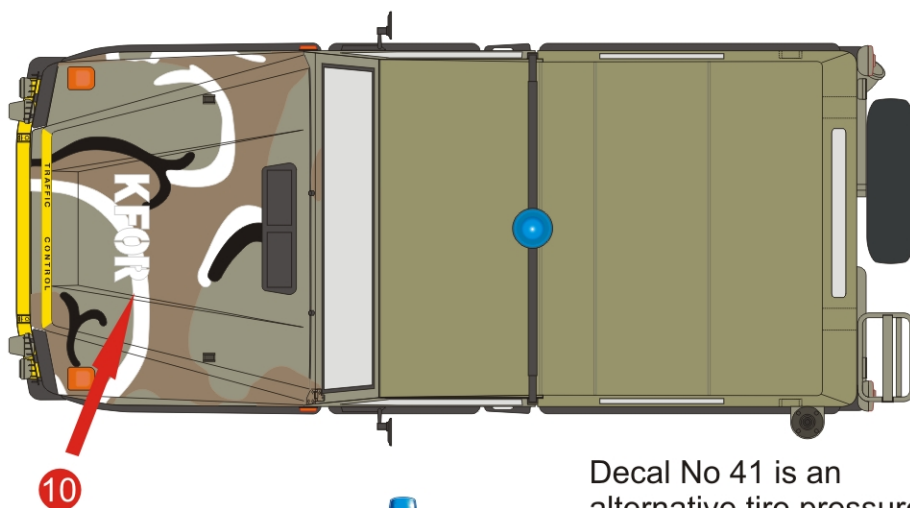
The yellow stripes on the sides were painted partly obscuring the tire pressure markings over the front wheel. It is left to the modeller to choose whether to use the supplied yellow stripes decals or paint them onto the model. If the decals are used they will have to be trimmed to size.



The yellow TC logo on the bonnet appears in a partial photo of such a vehicle. It is not known if it appeared anywhere else on the vehicle. The decal is supplied as an alternative to the KFOR bonnet marking.

The rear view is partly speculative based on common military police marking practices and regulations. The rear bumpers are most probably painted yellow. The yellow stripe is probably not applied to the rear of the vehicle. If however the modeller wishes to add this decal No7 is provided as an option. An extra chevron (decal No11) is also provided.

Vehicles used by the police of the three services usually have a blue beacon fitted to the roof. Usually this is supported on a bar that clamps on over the doors, although a beacon supported on the roll bar through the tarpaulin is also common.



Decal No 41 is an alternative tire pressure marking provided as an option

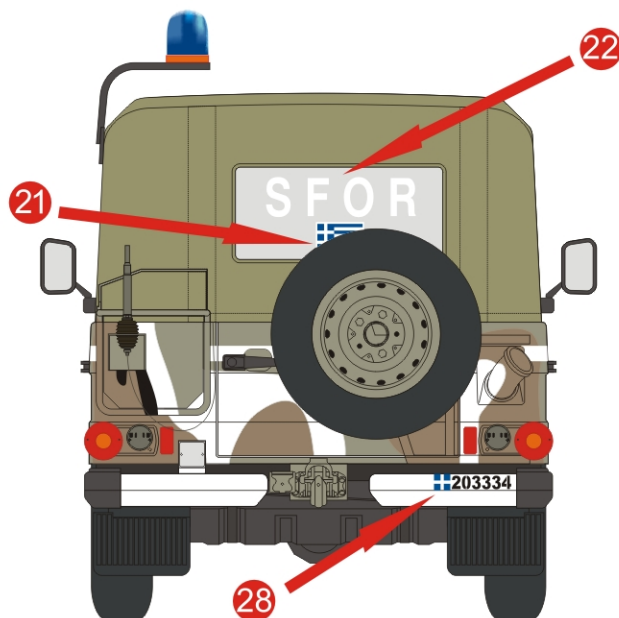
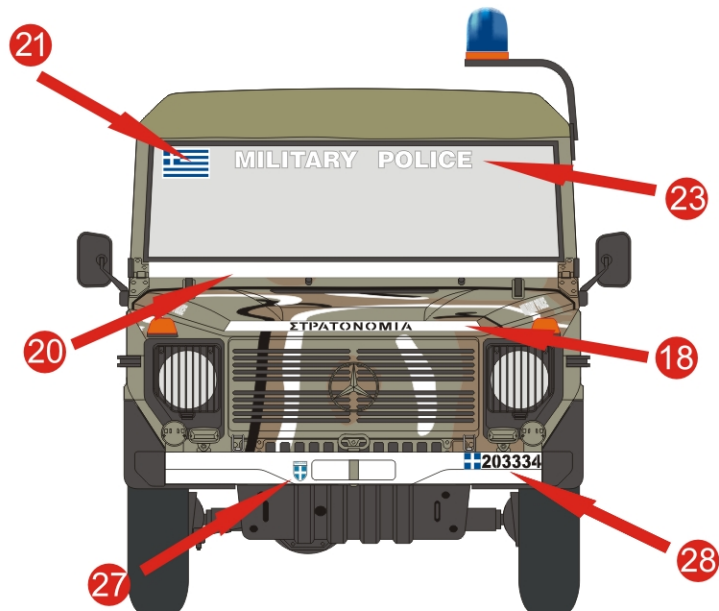
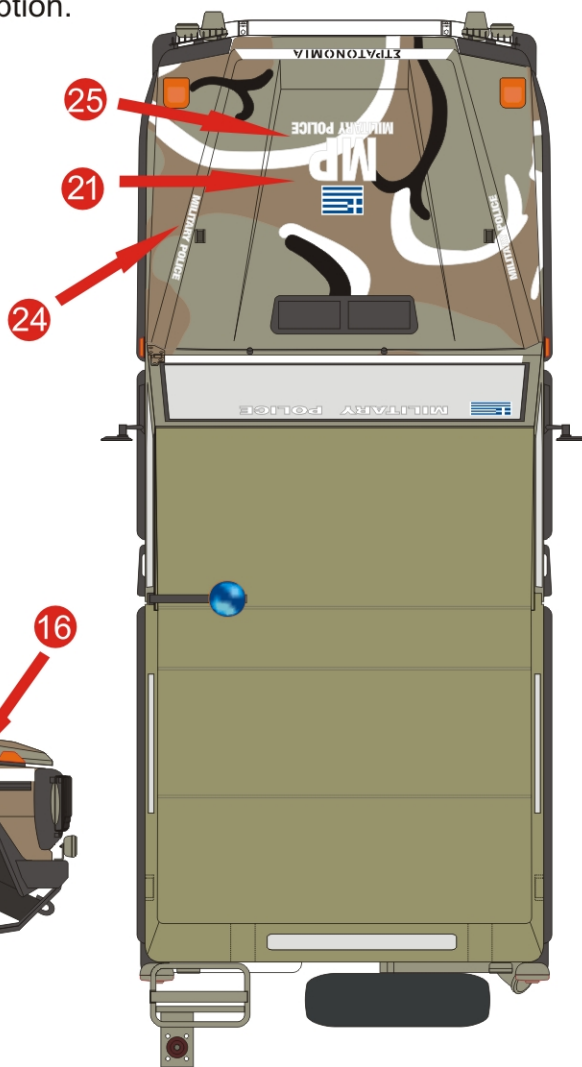
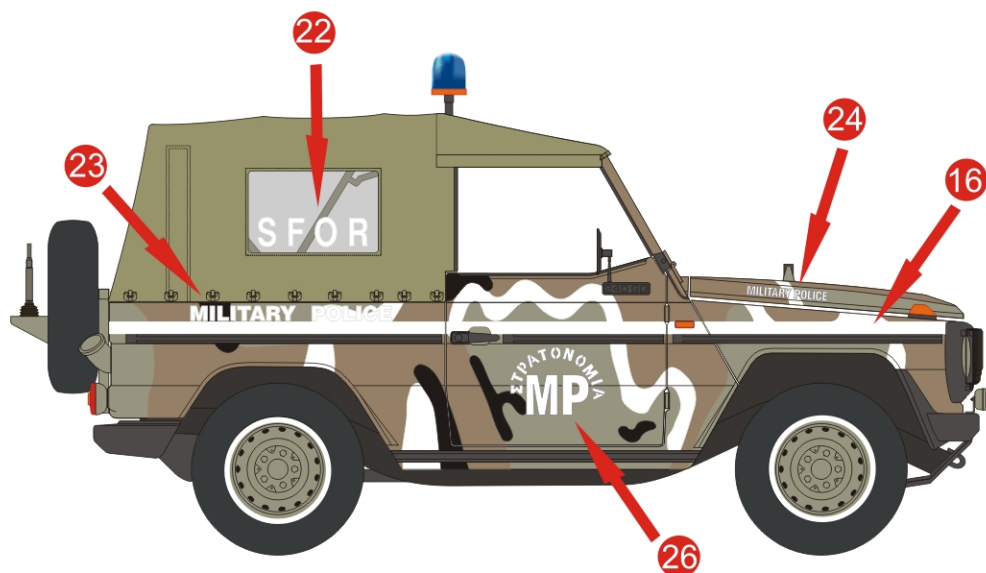


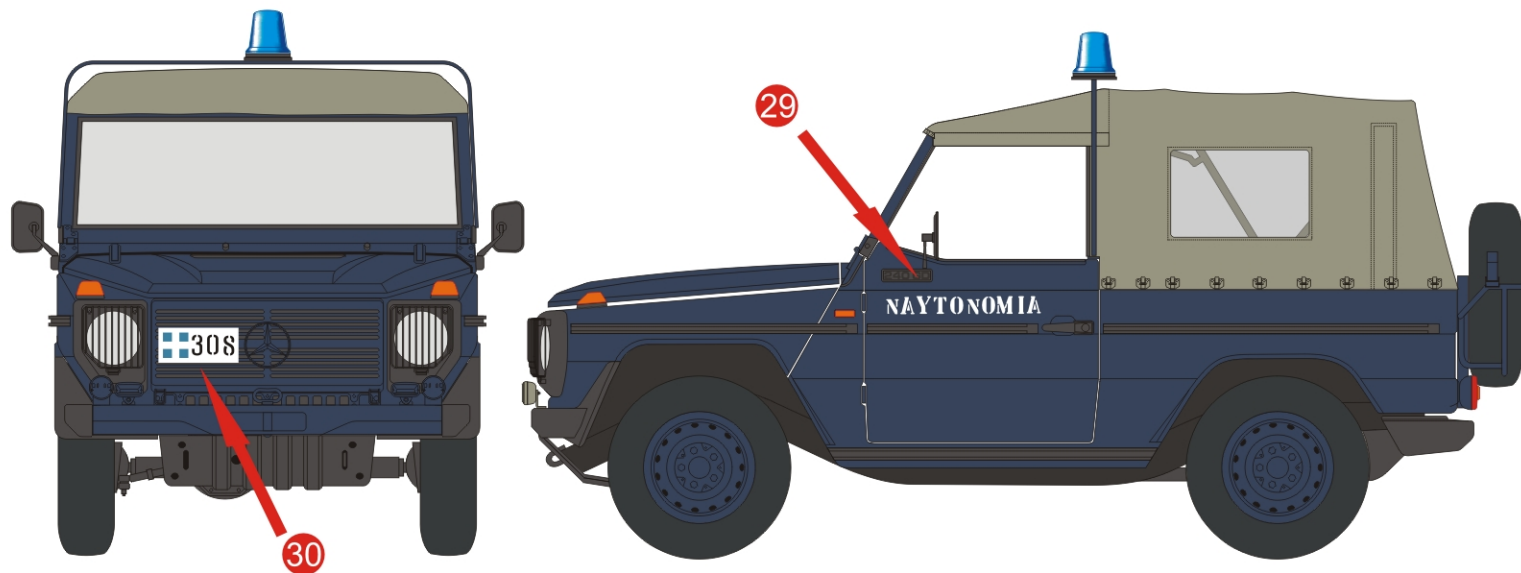
Photo: W.E. Storey Collection

The rear view is partly speculative based on common military police marking practices and regulations because only the window markings are visible in the photograph. The rear bumpers are always painted white on military police vehicles. An extra small "HELLAS" shield decal is provided in case the modeller wishes to add this to the vehicle's rear. The white stripe is probably not applied to the rear of the vehicle. If however the modeller wishes to add this decal No19 is provided as an option.



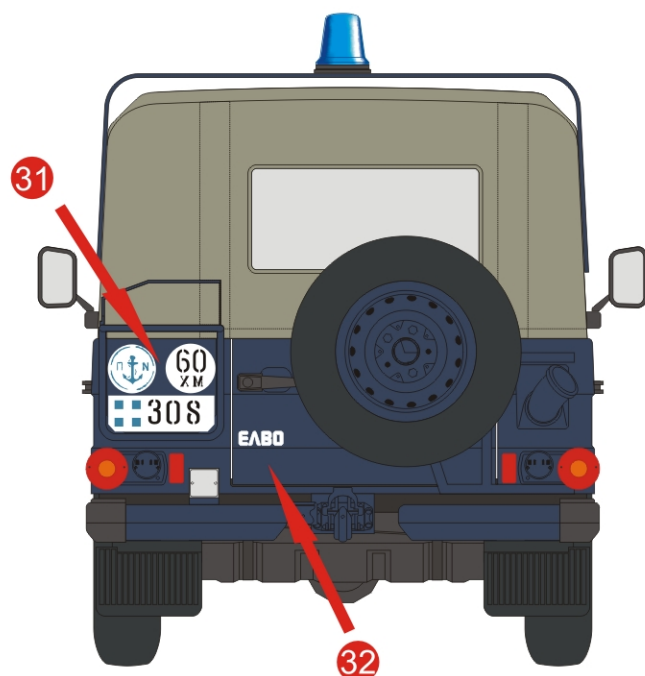
Sarajevo, Bosnia 2001. The camouflage pattern on this richly marked vehicle differs slightly from the standard pattern. Military police vehicles always have their bumpers and wheel rims painted in white. The blue military police beacon is mounted on a rather unusual support.



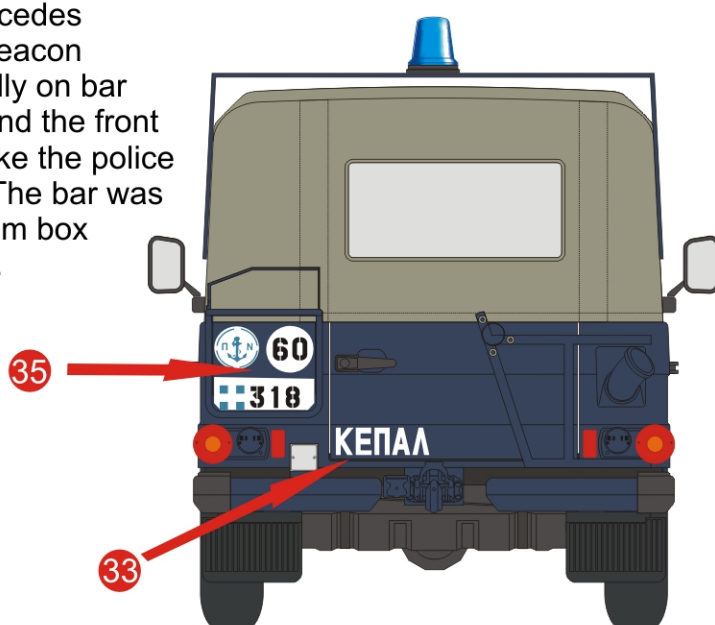


This Navy Police vehicle had a blue beacon mounted centrally on bar placed just behind the front doors. It is common for navy vehicles that are used mainly on base not to carry a jerry-can or even a spare wheel some times. The manufacturer's "EΛBO" logo on the tailgate only appeared on early production vehicles. On the real vehicle this was made of aluminium with a matt finish which usually faded to a whitish grey shade. A decal is provided in case the modeller wishes to replicate this.

Photo: T. Metsovitis

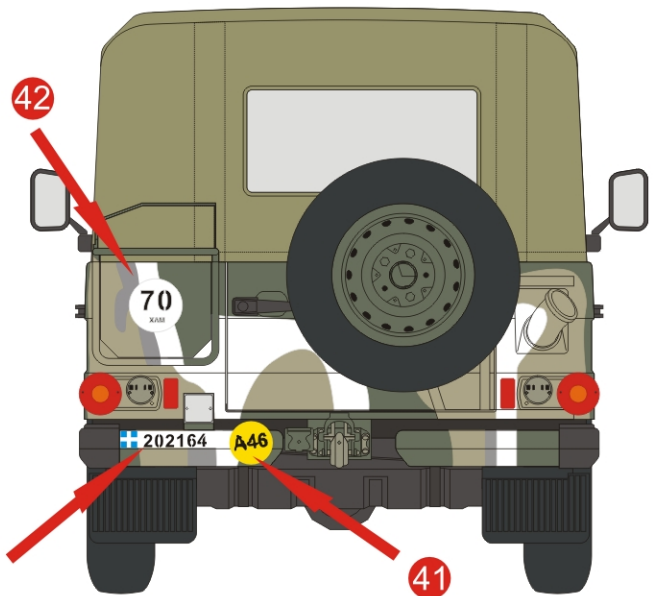
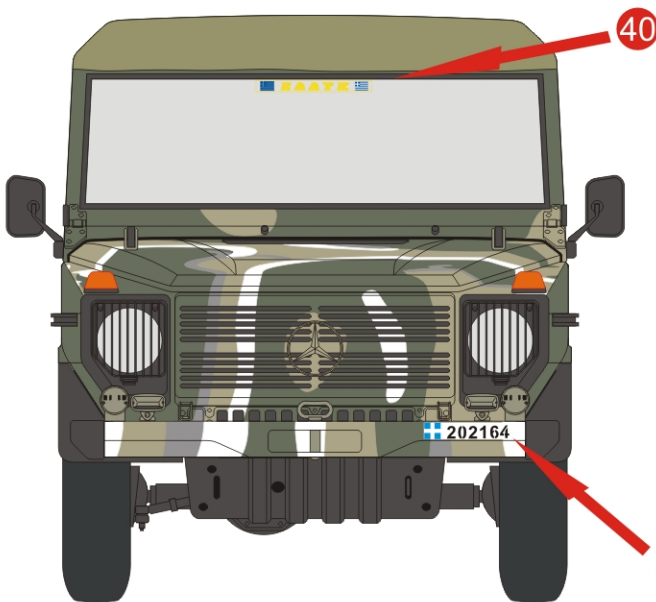
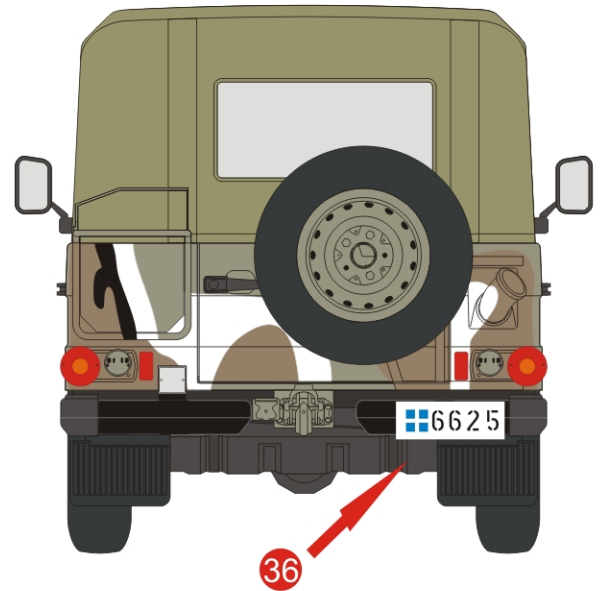


Even though not a police vehicle this Mercedes carried a blue beacon mounted centrally on bar placed just behind the front doors, exactly like the police vehicle above. The bar was fashioned from box section steel.



This air force vehicle is finished in the standard camouflage scheme but the front and rear bumpers are painted black, a very common air force practice.

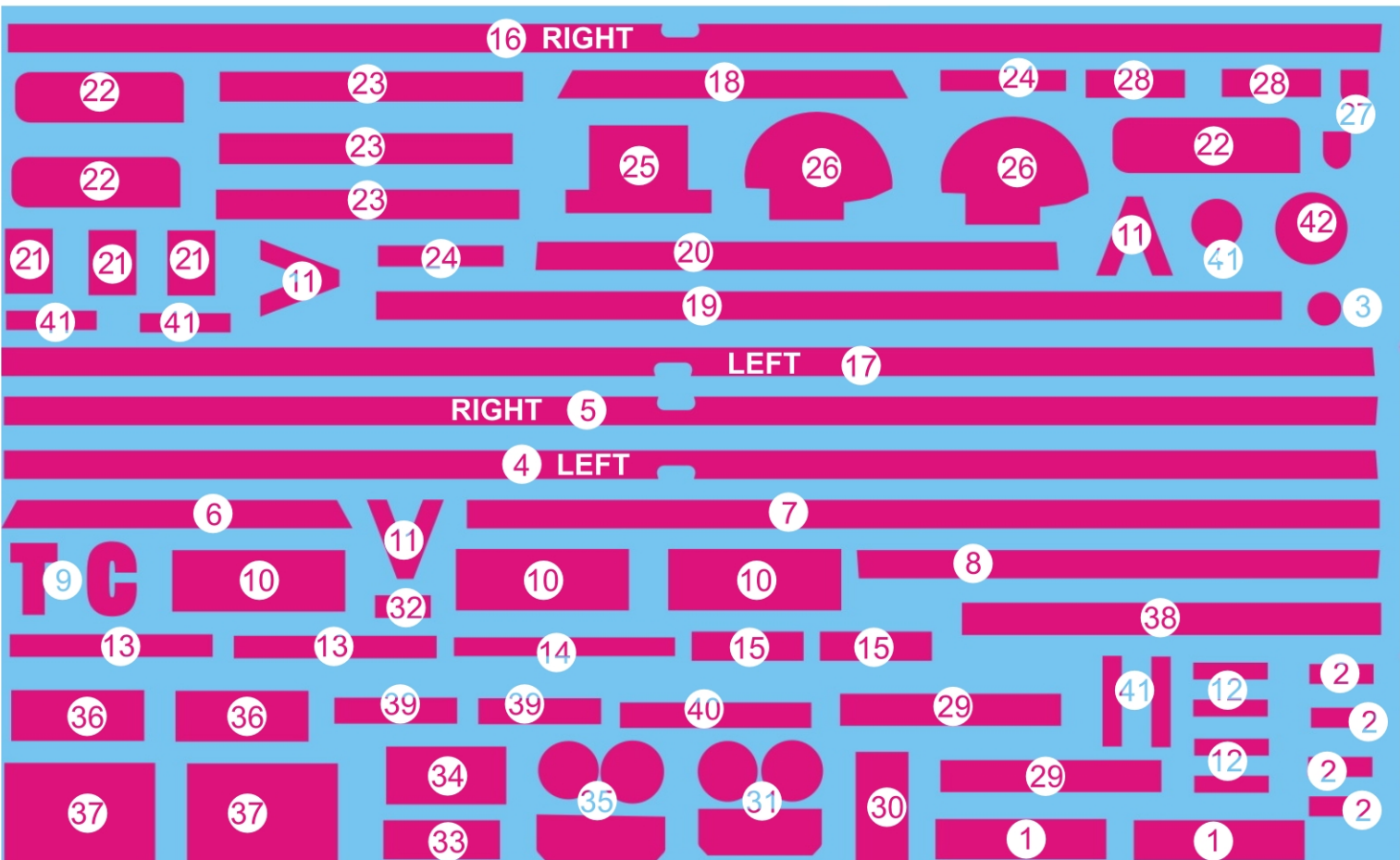
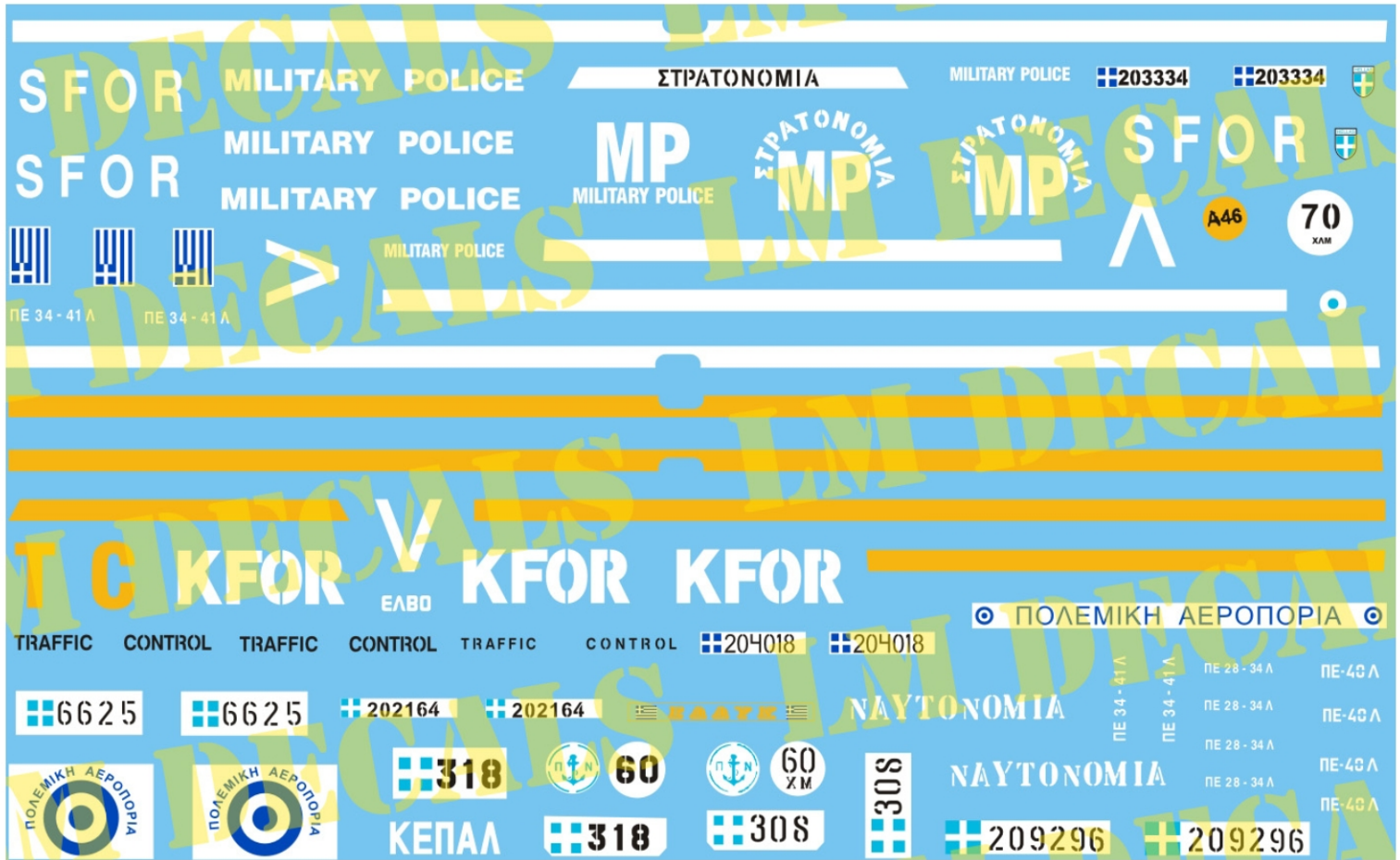
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ELDYK is the Hellenic Army Contingent permanently based in Cyprus as part of Greece's obligations as a Guarantor Power for the island. The other two Guarantor Powers are Turkey and the United Kingdom. In recent years ELDYK vehicles have adopted a four colour camouflage that uses the same colours used by the Greek Cypriot National Guard as these are better suited to the island's environment. The pattern may or may not follow the original Greek pattern and many variations have been observed. ELDYK vehicles carry a unit designator, in the form of a sticker, centrally at the top of the windscreen.



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