

Order of Battle 2

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Notes:

- The character Rocky is named Rocky Balboa, and is obviously meant to be the movie character played by Sylvester Stallone. Supposedly, there was to be a Rocky figure -- similar to other celebrity figures like Sgt. Slaughter and The Fridge -- but the deal fell through at the last minute. The next two issues contain a retraction.

- Rock & Roll's profile is a much longer version of the action figure filecard. The "quote" from the Hasbro card is longer here and is presented as an excerpt from a psychological profile by Col. D. O'Neil USAMC. It mentions that Rock & Roll's concern for the well-being of his teammates could be detrimental to him, which is what happens in the second story of G.I. JOE #1 when he almost disobeys orders instead of leaving Scarlett behind. There is a second quote which is from a "peer personality profile" by an anonymous sergeant.

- Steeler's profile is also longer than the Hasbro version and his rank is Sergeant, instead of Lieutenant. Two quotes are from a psychological profile from Maj. A. Milgrom USAMC and a "peer personality profile" by Specialist Clayton M. Abernathy. The last name is actually Hawk's file name, though his rank is much lower than it should be. He describes Steeler as likeable with appalling manners, highlighting Hawk's wealthy upbringing and education. The comments include nothing about Steeler clashing with superior officers as his filecard says.

- Mainframe seems to be one of the Joes on the back cover, but he does not appear inside.