Type: Carrier, Personnel, Armored, 4x4 Nomenclature: Truck, 15-CWT, Armoured (C15TA)

Country: Canada Date of Introduction: 1943

Physical Data:

Weight empty 10025 lb (4551 kg) Weight loaded 11775 lb (5346 kg) Length (OA) 187 in (4750 mm) Width (OA) 92 in (2337 mm) Height (OÁ) 89.5 in (2273 mm) Ground clr 9.5 in (241 mm) 101 in (2565 mm) Wheel base Wheel tread 70 in (1778 mm) Drive 4x4 Armor .24 to .55 in (6 to 14 mm)

Armament:

NBC protection

Main - Cal .30 to .50 cal. Elev & traverse Manual Fire control Optical Crew side arms Aux wpns

Capacity:

Fuel Gas 50 US gals

(189 liters)

Individual

Ammo/Qty unk Crew/Pass 2/6

Cargo Vol/Wgt 1750 lb (795 kg)

Engine:

Type Gasoline

HP at Rev/Min 104 hp (76.8 kW)

@ 3000 rpm

Model 270

Mfr **General Motors**

No. of Cyls Location Front

Cooling Liquid

Transmission:

Type Manual

Gear Fwd/Rev 4/1 (w/2-spd trns)

Model unk Mfr GM

Suspension System:

Type Leaf spring Steering Front axle 50 ft (15.25 m) **Turning radius** No/wheels

Tire Size 10.5x16

General Data:

Elec voltage 6 (later) 12V Radio As fitted by user

Night Vision: as fitted by user

Performance:

Speed/Land 45 mph (72.5 km/h)

Speed/Water

Range 444 mi (714 km) Fording depth 24 in (610 mm)

Max grade 53 % Trench unk Step unk



Photos: Above, C15TA at the General Motors of Canada plant in Ontario. (Photos: Author's collection)

Remarks: Built as a supplement and later replacement for the U.S. developed White M3A1 Scout Car, the primary role of the C15TA was as a forward area armored personnel carrier. The vehicle could also be easily converted to a General Service armored truck, ammunition carrier or a two-stretcher ambulance (a special armored ambulance was also produced separately, which had additional space for personnel and medical supplies). As it was, the APC version had enough storage space to carry the weapons and equipment for eight men. The C15TA was a well made vehicle, and remained in use well into the '60's; the C15TA cost approximately \$4,500 (1943 Canadian dollars) to build.

Usage: Used by Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Great Britain, Greece, Indonesia, Israel, Malaya, The Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Spain (150 received in 1948) and South Vietnam.

Manufacturer: General Motors of Canada (chassis), Hamilton Bridge Company (armored body).

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