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1. In an informal discussion, the informant, whose duties include the ideological and military-technical training of Soviet Sector police officers, expressed his conviction that in the foreseeable future the western sectors of Berlin will come under the influence of the German Economic Commission or of the staff now constituting the "secretary". The informant based this conclusion on the instructions which he receives in connection with his work of training the "activist" elements in the Volkspolizei police. This training includes weapons training for street fighting, with emphasis on local conditions in Greater Berlin, and political and ideological indoctrination and training.

2. According to the official instructions, ideological indoctrination should include discussion of the following two possibilities regarding the future of Berlin:

   a. At a given time the Soviet occupation power will transfer all authority in the Soviet Zone and Greater Berlin to a government formed primarily on the basis of what is now known as the German Economic Commission. At the same time the bulk of the Soviet armed forces now in Germany will retire, leaving only a few key locations occupied. Subsequently, the Western Allies will be prevailed upon to take similar measures at least in Berlin and possibly in Western Germany. It will then become the task of the Berlin police forces to ensure that the western sectors recognize the political authority of the Soviet Zone government.

   b. If the above described possibility cannot be realized, it is still expected that under clandestine SED leadership, riots and disorders will be organized in the western sectors of Berlin. These disorders will be organized on a large enough scale to justify the "legal" Police President Kriebel's ordering reliable Soviet Sector police into the western sectors to restore order. It is hoped that the outcome will be a "suitable" West Berlin, and the eventual reintegration or one western sector into the Soviet Zone. To carry out this plan, the Soviet Sector police force is being systematically reinforced and several closed formations of Soviet Zone police are being deployed around the west sector boundaries.