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1. A shipment of arms for China left Podebrad Czechoslovakia, on 12 Mar 54. It comprised about 250 machine guns (Skoda model 38 [redacted] and about 30 antiaircraft guns (about 35 mm caliber) with funnel-shaped muzzle brakes. The shipment also included about 25 trucks.

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2. The arms came from the Gottwaldov works and the Prague arms factory. The transport was escorted from Podebrad by Soviet soldiers.

3. The latest shipment of arms and ammunition left Stakhanov (formerly Limberk) on 21 Mar 54, also for China. China delivers rubber.

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