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COUNTRY East Germany REPORT NO. [redacted]

TOPIC Soviet Troop Trains

EVALUATION [redacted] 25X1 PLACE OBTAINED 25X [redacted]

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REFERENCES

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REMARKS

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[redacted] 1. [redacted] troop trains [redacted] between 30 June and 2 July 1953:

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Date	Composition of Troop Trains	Tons	From	To
30 June	30 boxcars and 3 flatcars	530	Jaevenitz	Quedlinburg
	5 converted boxcars, 5 boxcars and 28 SSY-type flatcars	959	Haldensleben	Coswig
1 July	6 converted boxcars and 25 flatcars	-	Neubukow	Rossleben
	7 converted boxcars and 21 flatcars	-	Neubukow	Mechterstaedt
2 July	11 converted boxcars, 5 boxcars and 21 RRYM-type flatcars	1,262	Burg	Schwerin railroad district
2 July	11 converted boxcars, 2 boxcars and 23 RRYM-type flatcars	1,184	Burg	Kroepelin
	10 boxcars, 29 flatcars and 5 RRYM-type flatcars	760	Burg	Schwerin railroad district

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2. During the night of 27 June, 211 tanks were loaded at the Oberschoeneweide railroad station on a train leaving toward east.[5]

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[redacted] 3. On 9 July, [redacted] several trains carrying tanks were dispatched to Poland via Cottbus from the Nager-
25X1 viehhof railroad station and Stalin Allee railroad station.[6]

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25X1 1. [redacted] Comment. Probably a troop train carrying components of the 207th Mtz Rifle Div which returned to their home stations in Quedlinburg from the northern sector of Letzling Heath.

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2. [redacted] Comment. On 30 June 1953, the entraining of elements of the 121st Gds
25X1 Engr Bn of the 7th Gds Tank Div at the Haldensleben railroad station was observed [redacted] The present information indicates that the troops moved to the Coswig area on the Elbe River for practicing on the river in conjunction with other engineer units of the Third Gds Mecz Army.

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3. [redacted] Comment. The troop trains probably carried elements of the 498th AAA Regt (US) of the XXIX Gds Mtz Rifle Corps which moved from Naumburg to Wustrow on 8 April 1953 and, after completion of firing practice with live ammunition, returned to the two troop training grounds of the corps.

4. [redacted] Comment. Kroepelin as receiving station indicates that at least the
25X1 troop train [redacted] carried elements of the unidentified AAA regiment of the LXXIX Mtz Rifle Corps to Wustrow for combat firing practice.
25X1 A similar conclusion cannot yet be drawn on the destination of the other two
25X1 troop trains as only the Schwerin railroad district was reported [redacted] It is noticeable that all troop trains contained RRYM -type flatcars which
25X1 were previously used for the transportation of tanks only. Thus, the identificatio of these troops cannot definitely be interpreted. Further information from
25X1 Burg is needed.

25X1 5. [redacted] Comment. [redacted] a total of seven troop trains with tanks, probably of the 14th Gds Mecz Div, went from Berlin-Ober-
25X1 schoeneweide and Berlin-Adlershof to Jueterbog on 27 and 28 June 1953. [redacted] these trains left toward the east
25X1 probably was mistaken in the direction of the train.

25X1 6. [redacted] Comment. There are no reports available that tank units from East Germany
25X1 actually crossed the Oder-Neisse line and went eastward. The departure of the tank elements of the 14th Gds Mecz Div also from the Berlin-Stalin Allee railroad
25X1 station led [redacted] to the same error as mentioned in connection with [redacted] paragraph 2. [redacted]

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