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TOPIC Rail Freight Traffic through Frankfurt/Oder and Intra-Zonal Supply Shipments

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1. Between 19 and 22 March 1955, the following shipments were observed passing through the Muellrose railroad station: 25X1

B - boxcar
F - flatcar
SSy - heavy-duty flatcar

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Date in March	Number and Type of Cars	Load	From	To	
19	21 SSy	21 canvas-covered tanks presumably of type T-54 with crates	Brest Litovsk	Oschatz	1
20	20 SSy	20 tanks presumably of type T-54 as on 19 March	Brest Litovsk	Riesa	2
22	2 B, 20 SSy	20 tanks presumably of type T-54 as on 19 March	direction of Frankfurt/Oder	direction of Cottbus	25X1
	24 B 12 F	ammunition crashcars	direction of Frankfurt/Oder	direction of Cottbus	3

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2. Previous information on tanks unloaded at the Satzkorn railroad station at 0530 on 18 March is corrected as follows: Twenty tanks of the new T-54 type were unloaded rather than 26 T-34/85 tanks. 4

3. The following numbers of T-34/85 tanks were loaded at, and dispatched from, the Satzkorn railroad station:

17 March. Three tanks to Frankfurt/Oder
23 March. Six tanks to Fuerstenwalde
Eight tanks to Frankfurt/Oder

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Each of the shipments was escorted by a detail of 1 officer and 7 to 10 EM. 5

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4. On 18 March, 1 railroad tank car with gasoline dispatched from Frankfurt/Oder. [redacted] to Radensleben, [redacted] was observed passing through the Wustermark railroad station. 6 25X1

5. a. [redacted] a train of 3 boxcars and 22 six-axle flatcars was dispatched from Brest Litovsk to Satzkorn on 18 March [redacted] 4 and another train of 3 boxcars and 22 six-axle flatcars from Brest Litovsk to Olchata on 19 March [redacted] 1 25X1

b. The empty shuttle trains which had been reported on 16 March were dispatched to the East. Until 20 March, 5 shuttle trains had been handed over at Frankfurt/Oder. A total of 18 shuttle trains are scheduled to be dispatched. Each of the trains consisted of 2 express train coaches, 1 heating car, 5 converted boxcars, and 22 six-axle flatcars. 7 25X1

c. The dispatch of empty tank cars from Frankfurt/Oder to the East continued. So far these cars have not been observed returning from the East. 8 25X1

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8. [redacted] a train of 1 converted boxcar and 18 flatcars with sideracks loaded with 18 trucks was dispatched from Kummersdorf, [redacted] to Frankfurt/Oder-border on 18 March [redacted] 9 25X1

1. [redacted] Comment. This shipment is probably identical with a shipment on 16 March [redacted] 22 flatcars under the shipment record number mentioned in the present report. 25X1 25X1

2. [redacted] 25X1

3. [redacted] Comment. It cannot be determined to which ammunition depot this shipment was consigned. 25X1

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4. [redacted] Comment. This shipment was also reported [redacted] Because of a load indicated as exceeding standard measurements, the shipment was believed previously to have consisted of T-54 tanks. 25X1 25X1

5. [redacted] Comment. From the shipment record numbers mentioned it is inferred that these were intra-zonal shipments rather than shipments of tanks which were returned to the USSR. Since Fuerstenwalde and Frankfurt/Oder are military posts of the 7th Gds Mech Div it is probable that tanks of the 10th Gds Tank Div in Satzkorn which received new T-54 tanks were transferred within the Fourth Gds Mech Army. [redacted] 25X1 25X1

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6. [redacted] Comment. [redacted] belongs to the forwarding agency for liquid fuel, [redacted] belongs to the fuel depot at Radensleben. [redacted] 25X1 25X1 25X1 25X1

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7. [redacted] Comment. [redacted] The dispatch of these trains may indicate an intended transfer of entire units, possibly of the air force, to the GDR. The use of express train coaches may indicate that a sizeable number of officers are scheduled for transfer with these units. 25X1

8 [redacted] Comment. For previous information on the dispatch of empty tank cars [redacted] Few loaded cars dispatched to Velten, Parchim, Biesenthal, and Oranienburg were observed between 5 and 18 March and were possibly connected with this program. 25X1 25X1 25X1

9. [redacted] Comment. Motor vehicles returned to the USSR in connection with the motor vehicle exchange program. [redacted] 25X1 25X1 25X1

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