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1. [redacted] 22 troop trains were unloaded at the railroad stations of Buttstaedt, Jena, Rossleben, Weimar, Bad Bibra and Naumburg during the period from 6 to 11 March. The trains came from Juesterbog, Halle, Magdeburg, Grimma, Dresden, Stendal, Wuensdorf, Cottbus and Rathenow.* 25X1

2. Army engineer and signal units of the Second Guards Mechanized Army as well as vehicles of the 9th and 12th Guards Tank Divisions detrained at Dessau, presumably from two trains, on 7 and 10 March. They marched from the station in a southerly direction.**

3. Camp Bittkau was still unoccupied on 10 March.

4. Advance parties left Bernburg in an undetermined direction on 7 March.***

5. Units of the 6th Artillery Division stationed at the Feldzeugmeister Kaserne and units of the 3rd Guards AT Artillery Brigade stationed at the Flak Kaserne in Brandenburg left the city by road and rail on 9 March, allegedly in the direction of Altengrabow. From 14 to 16 March, the two barracks installations appeared to be almost vacated.

6. Recent information on the reoganization of HVA units, which began on 20 January 1952, indicates that the 24 Volkspolizei Dienststellen (VPD) are to be converted into divisions. However, the structural changes observed with the military Volkspolizei do not as yet mean an increase in their combat efficiency.

25X1 * [redacted] Comment: These units are committed to a signal command post exercise in the area northwest of Naumburg.

25X1 ** [redacted] Comment: The fact that the detrained units marched southward from the station tends to confirm that they were scheduled to participate in the command post exercise in the area northwest of Naumburg.

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25X1 *** [redacted] Comment: [redacted] the GOFG engineer units at Bernburg
25X1 were to move to Rosslau on 15 March.

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