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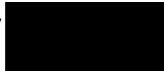
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PREFACE

During the Second World War the German Signal Intelligence Control Center of the Staff of the Chief of Army Signal Service (HNW, LNA) issued a series of reports to show the USSR military-economic situation as reflected in Russian internal plain language traffic. These reports appeared at short, irregular intervals, usually six per month, for the period October 1942-March 1945. Eighty-three of these reports have been translated and issued by

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The Soviet Union

Military-Economic Report 1/10

(Based on Domestic Radio Traffic)

Individual Messages

1.) The Personnel Situation

(1) For the reconstruction of the "Stalin" Works in Novokramatorsk and of the "Ordzhonikidze" Works in Starokramatorsk a labor force of 10,000 workers in Stalino and in the Stalino Oblast' is being conscripted. In the same Oblast' a labor force is being raised for the People's Commissariat for the Heavy Machine Industry and for the People's Commissariat for Construction.

(2) Personnel from the following NKRF offices will be turned over for the rebuilding of the Dnepr Steamship Agency: Gorodets; Gorkij; Kujbyshev; Kirov; Molotov; Omsk; Rostov/Don; Semipalatinsk; Saratov; Svenigovo; Ufa; and Ust'-Usa.

(3) The pupils who have finished their education in the Erevan Trade Schools will be assigned by the local labor authority as follows:

For enterprises of the People's Commissariat for Nonferrous Metals	153 men
" " " " " " " " Chemical Industry	51 "
" " " " " " " " Communications	145 "
" " " " " " " " Electrical Plants	13 "
" " " " " " " " Grenade Industry	9 "
" " " " " " " " Rubber Industry	57 "
" " " " " " " " Food Industry	3 "
" " " " " " " " Agriculture	18 "
For the Erevan Motor Repair Works	8 "
For Erevan City Directorate	28 "

(4) The Railway School in Leninakan released 139 pupils at the end of September 1943.

(5) The following contingents of pupils were authorized for the following People's Commissariat River Fleet Trade Schools:

	Trade School of "Kujbyshev" Works (in Kujby- shev Rajon)	Trade School #4, Tatar ASSR (Kazan Rajon)	Ufa Trade School People's Commis- sariat River Fleet
Ship's machinists	--	120	60
Motor ship's masters	--	--	25
Helmsmen	--	100	75
Lathe machinists	30	30	60
Smiths	30	25	30
Boiler smiths	60	--	30
Communication equipment assemblers	--	25	--
Welders (using electricity)	35	--	30
Foundrymen (ferrous)	35	--	30
Firemen	60	--	--
Mechanics	--	--	30
Locksmiths	--	--	30

(6) The semester at the NKRF Technical School in Krasnoyarsk begins 1 October 1943. A 42-hour instruction week has been established for the first semester.

(7) The NKRF Works in Bobrovka, Novosibirsk Oblast', has refused the addition of 204 pupils released from trade schools. The Chief Directorate in Moscow considers it inexcusable that insufficient preparations had been made for the addition of the trade pupils.

(8) The Don-Kuban-Steamship Agency in Rostov received the word that the family dependents of their managerial personnel were sent to Rostov/Don from Tashkent on 25 September 1943.

(9) In Batumi 46 trademen in excess of the existing contingent have been absorbed into the enterprises of the People's Commissariat of Local Industry.

(10) Fifteen artisans of different trades such as smiths, carpenters, roofers, etc., from the Arkul People's Commissariat River Fleet and 75 artisans from Kujbyshev People's Commissariat River Fleet are en route for reconstruction work in Stalingrad.

2. Metal Supply

(11) There is a severe shortage of cast iron in Leningrad. As a result, the armaments program at a plant cannot be carried out.

(12) The Sulin Steel Works made 17 tons of steel on 20 September 1943.

(13) The Tiflis Copper Industry has produced 23 tons of copper products from 1 to 14 September 1943. The day's output on 14 September was 3 tons; 98 tons are ready for shipment.

(14) The Baku Metal Sales has in the period 1 to 20 September 1943 received 21,218 tons of manganese ore and has 21,798 tons (of manganese ore ?) ready for shipment. The stocks run up to 4,440 tons.

(15) The plant in Novotagil has established that in August and September 1943 660 tons of cast iron were to be supplied, but only 190 tons were furnished the Baku Metal Sales. The plants in Novotulsk were to furnish Baku with 140 tons and Kuznetsk 2,200 tons of cast iron, but they have not carried out any deliveries.

(16) The Baku Fish Industry has received 164 tons of cast iron and still requires 20 tons of cast iron for ship repair purposes.

(17) Tiflis "Tsentrolit" has not received from the Metallurgical Works in Kuznetsk the necessary 53 tons of ferro-silicon and proposes the allotment of 20 tons of 45% ferro-silicon from the Metallurgical Works in Zestafoni.

(18) "Tsentrolit" has received 181 tons of cast iron in the second 10 days of September 1943 and used 41 tons of cast iron.

(19) As of 15 September Groznyj has procured a total of 7,269 tons of scrap metal, of which 2,061 tons is ready for shipment.

(20) Ordzhonikidze procured 1,832 tons of scrap metal in July, August, and in the first half of September 1943. The plan called for the proposed amount of 1,700 tons for the third quarter 1943. In the same period 1,060 tons of metal turn-

ings were procured against the amount of 300 tons established by plan. 1,553

tons of scrap and 30 tons of turnings were obtained for shipment.

(21) Rostov/Don had up to 15 September 1943:

	<u>Procured</u>	<u>Delivered</u>
Nonferrous metal scrap	581 tons	36 tons
Ferrous metal scrap	8,978 tons	8,135 tons

	<u>Consignee</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Requirements</u>		<u>Remarks</u>
			<u>Type</u>	<u>Consignor</u>	
(22)	Groznyj, Technical Oil Supply	20 tons	Iron for barrels	---	For manufacture of barrels
(23)	Baku, Enterprises of the Shipbuilding Industry	20 tons	Bronze scrap	---	---
(24)	Chelyabinsk, Metal Industry	50 tons	Manganese ore	Zestafoni Iron Foundry	---
(25)	Baku, Metal Sales	20 tons	Iron scrap	Chelyabinsk Metal Sales	For Oct. 1943
(26)	Rostov/Don, Chemical Industry	10 tons	Iron	Makhachkala Metal Sales	For Sept. 1943
(27)	Baku, Chief Metal Sales	810 tons	Cast iron	Tula, "Kosogorsk" Works foundry	---
(28)	"Ulyanov Lenin" Works	30 tons	Cast iron	Chkalovsk People's Commissariat River Fleet	---
(29)	Groznyj, "Krasnyj Molot" Works	3 tons	Ferro-silicon	Rostov/Don Chief Metal Sales	---
(30)	Nizhnij-Tagil, "Komintern" Works	36 tons	Ferro-silicon	Zestafoni	---
(31)	Krasnodar, Fish Supply	20 tons	Galvanized iron	Baku, Fish Trust	---
(32)	Baku, Light Industry Supply	18 tons	Rolled iron	Magnitogorsk Metallurgical Works	---
(33)	Rostov/Don, Chemical Industry	15 tons	Sectional iron	Makhachkala Metal Sales	For Sept. 1943
(34)	Cheleken, Chemical Works	35 tons	Sectional Iron	Molotov, Metal Sales	For 3rd quarter 1943
	"	35 tons	Iron girders	"	"

(35)	<u>Krasnoyarsk</u> , 16.5 tons People's Com- missariat River Fleet	Rods, 52 mm., Type 6	Gorkij, People's Commissariat River Fleet	---
(36)	<u>Krasnodar</u> , 20 tons Fishery Supply	Sheets	Baku, Fish Trust	---
(37)	<u>Chelyabinsk</u> , 80 tons Main Supply Ar- mor Industry	Steel sheets	Ashkhabad, Indus- try Raw Materials Imports	---
(38)	<u>Rostov/Don</u> , 5 tons Chemical Indus- try	Gas pipe	Makhachkala Metal Sales	For Sept. 1943
(39)	<u>Astara</u> , 0.3 tons "IRANSOVTRANS"	Nails	Teheran	---
(40)	<u>Astara</u> 15 tons "IRANSOVTRANS"	Wire	Kazvin	---
(41)	<u>Groznyj</u> , 20 tons "Krasnyj Molot" Works	Wire	Beloretsk Metal Plant #706	---
(42)	<u>Krasnodar</u> , 1 car Preserves Trust	Wire	Ordzhonikidze, Metal Industry	---
(43)	<u>Gorkij</u> , 36 tons "Molotov" Auto Works	Ferro- manganese	Zestafoni	In Sept. 1943
(44)	<u>Baku</u> , 65 tons Scrap yard	Iron scrap	Baku, People's Commissariat Food Industry	---
(45)	--- 320 tons	Iron scrap	Astrakhan, People's Commissariat River Fleet	---
(46)	<u>People's Com-</u> 318 tons <u>missariat</u> Shipbuilding In- dustry	Metal turn- ings	Makhachkala Metal Industry	In September 1943
(47)	<u>Chelyabinsk</u> , 20 tons Metal Industry	Ferro- silicon	Zestafoni	In Aug. 1943
(48)	<u>Tiflis</u> , 49 tons Chief Metal Sales	Metal products	Zestafoni Zlatoust, Metal Industry	In Sept. 1943 ---
(49)	--- 3 tons	Nonferrous scrap metal	Baku, Tractor Supply	In July/Aug. 1943

To Be Delivered

(50)	Scrap yard 32 tons	Scrap Metal	Kujbyshev, People's Commissariat River Fleet	By 1 Oct. 1943
(51)	--- 10.5 tons	Scrap Metal	Rostov/Don, Meat Trust	People's Com- missariat De- fense

3.) Oil Supply

(52) Because of the shortage of motor lubricating oil the installations of the Steel Industry in Penza are idle and the delivery of military materiel is thereby questionable. Fifty tons of motor oil are required.

(53) The September 1943 allotment for the Potash Works in Krasnodar is reduced to 10 tons of benzine and 5 tons of petroleum.

(54) Krapotkino Plant #182 proposes the delivery of the September 1943 allotment of mazut in the amount of 3,000 tons by the Makhachkala Oil Supply.

(55) The Technical Oil Supply in Baku may consume 1,034 tons of gasoline for its own needs each month.

(56) The Georgian People's Commissariat for Agriculture in Baku reports for the fourth quarter 1943 the following requirements for oil products:

<u>Product</u>	<u>October</u>	<u>November</u>	<u>December</u>
Oil (naphta)	400 tons	370 tons	330 tons
Diesel oil	13 tons	12 tons	10 tons
Petroleum	3,300 tons	3,000 tons	2,700 tons
Gasoline (benzine)	230 tons	180 tons	150 tons
Ligroin	420 tons	370 tons	310 tons

Requirements

	<u>Consignee</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Consignor</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
(57)	<u>Krapotkino, Plant #182</u>	3,000 tons	Mazut	---	---
(58)	<u>Nal'chik, Mills</u>	11 tons	Petroleum	---	Monthly
(59)	<u>Krapotkino, Reconstruction</u>	10 tons	Petroleum	---	---
(60)	<u>Baku, Chief Directorate of Building Materials</u>	15 tons	Petroleum	---	For 4th quarter
		30 tons	Gasoline	---	For 4th quarter
(61)	<u>Krapotkino, Reconstruction Section</u>	10 tons	Gasoline	---	---
(62)	<u>Makhachkala, NK Internal Affairs, Main Prison Admin.</u>	2 tons	Gasoline	---	For Oct. 1943

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	<u>Consignee</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Consignor</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
(63)	<u>Taganrog,</u> "Andreev" Works of the Iron Industry	50 tons	Gasoline	---	---
(64)	<u>Baku, Chief</u> Directorate of Building Materials	3 tons	Ligroin	---	For 4th quarter
	"	12 tons	Machine oil	---	For 4th quarter
	"	4 tons	Avtol	---	For 4th quarter
(65)	<u>Taganrog,</u> "Andreev" Works of the Iron Industry	25 tons	Avtol	---	---
(66)	<u>Baku, Chief</u> Directorate of Building Materials	1.5 tons	Transformer oil	---	For 4th quarter
(67)	<u>Groznyj,</u> Oxygen Factory	3 tons	Aviation Lubricant	---	---
(68)	<u>Gur'ev,</u> Oil Supply	3,000 tons	Mazut	Baku, Oil Supply	For electric plants, delivery by 3 Oct. 1943
(69)	<u>Gur'ev</u> People's Com- missariat River Fleet	1,000 tons	"	---	For 4th quarter
(70)	<u>Ufa,</u>	700 tons	"	Molotov, People's Commissariat River Fleet	For fleet in Darbezhka
(71)	<u>Moscow,</u> "Nogatinsk" Ship Repair Works	500 tons	"	Gorkij, People's Commissariat River Fleet	---
(72)	<u>Rostov, Ob'last'</u> Executive Com- mittee	200 tons	"	Rostov, Oil Supply	For reconstruc- tion in third quarter
(73)	<u>Chelyabinsk,</u> Armor Supply	625 tons	"	Astrakhan	---
(74)	<u>Uralsk,</u> People's Com- missariat River Fleet, Ural Steamship Agency	1,000 tons	"	Gur'ev	---
(75)	<u>Vyatka,</u> Steamship Agency	1,500 tons	"	---	For Oct. 1943
(76)	"Volodarskij" Ship Yard	150 tons	"	---	Delivery by 1 Oct. 1943
(77)	<u>Gur'ev,</u> Oil Supply	700 tons	Naphta (oil)	Baku, Oil Supply	For electric plants, delivery by 3 Oct. 1943

(78)	<u>Rostov, Oblast'</u> Executive Com- mittee	160 tons	Naphta (oil)	Rostov, Oil Supply	For reconstruc- tion work in third quarter
(79)	<u>Salsk,</u> Plant of Sov- khoz Machine Repair Trust	12 tons 10 tons 1 ton	Naphta (oil) " "	Rostov, Oil Supply " "	For Sept. 1943 " "
(80)	<u>Barnaul,</u> Armor Supply	250 tons	Diesel oil	---	"
(81)	<u>Baku,</u> Plant #638	10 tons	Petroleum	Astrakhan Oil Supply	"
(82)	<u>Rostov,</u> Chemical In- dustry	5 tons	"	Rostov, Oil Supply	"
(83)	<u>Taganrog,</u> People's Com- missariat Mu- nitions, "Instru- ment" Works " " " "	4.5 tons 2	" Gasoline Gasoline	" " "	" " "
(84)	<u>Rostov,</u> Chemical In- dustry	10 tons	"	"	"
(85)	<u>Salsk,</u> Plant of Sov- khoz Machine Repair Trust	2 tons	"	"	"
(86)	<u>Tiflis,</u> Preserves Trust	5 tons	"	Tiflis, Oil Supply	Supplement for Sept. 1943
(87)	<u>Tiflis,</u> Georgian Cham- pagne Combine	3 tons	"	"	Supplement for Sept. 1943
(88)	<u>Makhachkala,</u> Dagestan Wine Industry Trust	1.5 tons	"	Makhachkala Oil Supply	Supplement for Sept. 1943
(89)	<u>Shakhty,</u> "Rostov' Coal"	100 tons	Auto gaso- line	Groznyj	For September 1943
(90)	<u>Novomakeevka,</u> Metal Works	60 tons	Benzol	Gubakha	---
(91)	<u>Moscow,</u> People's Com- missariat Non- ferrous Metals	500 tons	Lubricating oil	Baku	For Sept. 1943
(92)	<u>Moscow,</u> People's Com- missariat Arma- ments	1, 200 tons	"	"	"
(93)	<u>Moscow,</u> People's Com- missariat for Coal	700 tons	"	"	"

(94)	<u>Shadrinsk,</u> Auto Works	125 tons	Machine oil	Krasnovodsk, Oil Supply	For Sept. 1943
(95)	<u>Omsk,</u> Armor Supply, Plant #174	200 tons	"	"	---
(96)	<u>Novokramatorsk,</u> Machine Factory	25 tons	Motor oil	Baku	For Sept. 1943
(97)	<u>Omsk,</u> Armor Supply Plant #174	50 tons	Cylinder Oil	Krasnovodsk, Oil Supply	---
(98)	<u>Novokramatorsk,</u> Machine Factory	50 tons	"	Baku	For Sept. 1943
(99)	<u>Beloretsk,</u> Metallurgical Combine	23 tons	"	Baku, Oil Supply	For Sept. 1943
(100)	<u>Syzran,</u> Locomotive Works	25 tons	"	Baku Heavy Ma- chine Supply	---
(101)	<u>Shadrinsk,</u> Auto Works	25 tons	Turbine Oil	Krasnovodsk Oil Supply	For Sept. 1943
(102)	<u>Novotagil,</u> Metal Works	22.6 tons	"	Baku, Oil Supply	For Sept. 1943
(103)	<u>Novokramatorsk,</u> Machine Factory	25 tons	Spindle oil	Baku	For Sept. 1943
	<u>Novokramatorsk</u> Machine Factory	25 tons	Viscosine	Baku	For Sept. 1943
(104)	Uzbek Republic	725 tons	Solidol	Krasnovodak Oil Supply	---
(105)	Kazakh Republic	725 tons	Solidol	Krasnovodsk Oil Supply	---
(106)	<u>Shadrinsk,</u> Auto Works	25 tons	Transform- er oil	Krasnovodsk Oil Supply	For Sept. 1943
(107)	<u>Syzran,</u> Locomotive Works	25 tons	Transform- er oil	Baku, Heavy Ma- chine Supply	---

Deliveries

(108)	<u>Krasnovodsk,</u> Plant #18	1,769 tons	"Cracked" oil	Nebit Dag	In Sept. 1943
(109)	<u>Barnaul,</u> Armor Supply	100 tons	Diesel oil	---	In Sept. 1943
(110)	<u>Krasnoyarsk,</u> People's Com- missariat In- ternal Affairs	350 tons	Gasoline	Krasnovodsk Oil Sales	In Sept. 1943

4.) Coal Supply

(111) The coal production plan in September 1943 was unsatisfactorily fulfilled by the Combine "Rostov Coal" in Shakhty. Further the coal shipments did not achieve the planned anticipated maximum. In the course of the first 20 days of September an average of only 3,484 tons per day were transported compared with the planned established quantity of 9,154 tons. In September the coal shipments were worse than those of August. This brought on interruptions in production in the iron industry, electrical plants, and railways. For the transport of the planned anticipated quantities 898 cars should be required daily, of which the following lines are to make available:

the North Donets Railway Line	20 cars
the North Caucasus Railway Line	313 cars
the Southeastern Railway Line	<u>565 cars</u>
	898 cars

(112) As a result of interruptions in the electrical supply the "Rostov Coal" Combine suffered a production breakdown on 20 and on 21 September 1943. Thereby a production loss of 1,170 tons of coal resulted.

(113) The "Donbas Coal" in Shakhty considerably reduced the delivery of coal to the Stalingrad Electrical Plant in the last period. As a result, the entire stocks of the plant were consumed. Shakhty has to deliver 300 tons of coal daily to the electrical plant.

(114) In order to assure the coal requirements of the southern railway lines of the industry, electrical plants, and enterprises of the metal and armament industries in the liberated oblasti the Combine "Stalin Coal" in Stalino is advancing the production of coal. The transport of coal from the dumps is to be especially accelerated. From the beginning of October 5,000 tons of coal, viz. 220 cars per day, are to be shipped. The normal gauge of the tracks to the coal mines are to be relaid to the Russian gauge by 1 October 1943. A general shift work is to be introduced.

(115) Erevan has in the last months received 200 tons instead of 5,000 tons of coal from Tkvibuli and Tkvarcheli. Consequently, militarily important military enterprises are shut down. The supply of fuel for convalescent homes, hospitals, and schools is not assured.

(116) The Groznyj Oil Supply has furnished only 288 tons of petroleum coke instead of the required amount of 1,212 tons for the aluminum works.

(117) In September Tkvarcheli Power Sales received 430 tons of coal, used 451 tons and has a balance of 5,043 tons of coal.

(118) As of 1 September, Baku Office of the People's Commissariat for Agriculture has 498 tons of coal on hand.

<u>Requirements</u>					
	<u>Consignee</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Consignor</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
(119)	<u>Dzhulfa,</u> Chemical Works	200 tons	Coal	---	For Sept. -Oct. 1943
(120)	<u>Rostov,</u> "Instrument" Works	300 tons	"	---	For inter-plant acquisition for press works
(121)	<u>Taganrog,</u> "Andreev" Iron Pro- duction Works	400 tons	Anth- racite	Krasnyj Sulin	---
<u>Authorizations</u>					
(122)	<u>Khabarovsk,</u> Amur Steam- ship Agency	6,478 tons	Coal	---	In Sept. of which 3,500 tons un- assigned for Steamship Agency
(123)	<u>Gorkij,</u> N. K. River Fleet "Molotov" Works	150 tons	Coal	---	---
(124)	<u>Moscow,</u> Aviation Industry Plant #118	786 tons	Coal	Krasnodar, Donbas Coal	---
(125)	<u>Moscow-Oka</u> Waterways Directorate	300 tons	Coal	Gorkij, N. K. R. F. "ZhDANOV" Works	---

(126)	Omsk-Lower Irtysk Steam- ship Agency	3, 935 tons	Coal	---	Supply should arrive 21-23 Sept. Additional supply follows 26-30 September. In Sept. 1943
(127)	Ulan-Ude, N. K. River Fleet	819 tons	Coal	Cheremkhovo	
(128)	Moscow, Electrode Works	1, 000 tons	Anthra- cite	Voroshilovgrad Coal Supply	---
(129)	Chelyabinsk, Electrode Works	1, 000 tons	Anthra- cite	Shakhty Coal Supply	---
(130)	Elabsh (?) N. K. River Fleet Works	60 tons	Coke	---	---

Deliveries

(131)	Uralsk, N. K. River Fleet	100 tons	Coal	Saratov	August 1943
(132)	Zestafoni, Iron Foundry	2, 109 tons	Coke	Magnitogorsk	In Aug. and Sept. 1943

5.) Transport
Situation

(133) The transport of metal turnings from Plant #182 in Makhachkala could not be carried out, since only six railway cars were furnished by the Directorate of the Ordzhonikidze Railway by 20 September instead of 90 railway cars authorized for September.

(134) The daily delivery of 15 cars for the shipment of oil products in Baku is not being carried out by the local Railway Directorate. In the first 17 days of September only 36 railway cars were supplied. The oil enterprises in Baku need of late 20 railway cars daily.

(135) The Chief Directorate in Moscow objects to the low travel rate (velocity) of the Central Volga Steamship Agency. The movement of the ships of the Central Volga Steamship Agency amounts to 160-200 kilometers per day.

(136) The September transport plan was exceptionally unsatisfactorily carried out by the Uralsk N. K. River Fleet. In 18 days it (the plan) was only

29% fulfilled. Particularly great delays have resulted in the transport of grain and building materials.

(137) The Blagoveshchensk Upper Amur Steamship Agency has defectively fulfilled the transport plan for salt, vegetables, and floated timber in the first two 10-day periods of September 1943.

(138) As of 10 September the Novosibirsk Oblast' Waterways Directorate has fulfilled only 10% of the wood transport plan for the third quarter 1943.

(139) Krasnoyarsk, Enisej Steamship Agency should move 54,000 tons of freight (equals 40 million ton/kilometers) in the third 10-day period of September.