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30 boxcars and 65 flatcars were dispatched in two shipments from Bad Doberan to Rehagen-Klausdorf on 6 July.¹

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military shipments 11 boxcars, 65 flatcars and 7 gondola cars in two shipments from Neustrelitz to Jerichow on 6 July; 10 boxcars and 26 flatcars from Altruppin to Jerichow on 7 July; 8 boxcars and 31 flatcars from Neustrelitz to Jerichow on 7 July and 12 boxcars, 20 flatcars, 8 gondola cars and 3 tank cars from Neustrelitz to Rathenow on 7 July.²

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Trains carrying airforce ground personnel, vehicles and equipment were continuously seen moving toward Brest-Litovsk between 25 June and 4 July. The dispatch of these trains was given priority at the Frankfurt/Oder, Guben and Kuestrin border crossing points.³

Four trains for tank shipments were made available to the Erfurt regional railroad headquarters on 17 June. It was definitely observed that these trains were dispatched to Poland on 17 June.

On 4 and 5 July, the Berlin regional railroad headquarters ordered that all available heavy-duty flatcars of the Berlin railroad district were to be dispatched to Goerlitz. Fifty such cars were dispatched on 5 July.⁴

LoewenKaserne, the garrison of which had been committed in East Berlin during the June uprisings, was still vacant on 4 July. The troops stationed in Altes-Lager, Doeberitz, returned to their quarters on 1 July.

6 July, a convoy composed of 60 trucks, 40 light field guns and about 300 men were moving from south to north through Potsdam. The 1st Mechanized

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8. Detraining operations observed in Fuerstenwalde on 4 July included 8 boxcars, 21 flatcars with sideracks, 2 gondola cars loaded with trucks and personnel coming from Tangerhuetten; 20 flatcars with 2 gondola cars loaded with trucks and personnel coming from Neubukow; and 12 boxcars loaded with personnel coming from Kroepelin.⁶
 9. Billeting equipment was continuously dispatched from the Kannenburg camp near Templin toward the northeast between 25 and 29 June. Twenty - eight artillery pieces and 50 trucks probably belonging to the 6th Mechanized Division were observed.
 10. The barracks installations in Bernburg were only lightly occupied on 3 July.
 11. The Funker Kaserne in Cottbus was vacated on 12 June. It was reoccupied by a KVP unit on 17 June.
 12. Only a guard unit occupied the See Kaserne in Neuruppin prior to 4 July.
 - 25X1 13. On [redacted] 2 July, the previously reported bivouac south of the Heiterblick Kaserne in Leipzig was vacated. Only 11 T-34 tanks remained on the site. About 60 T-34 tanks and vehicles left toward Wurzen via the Autobahn.⁷

25X1 [redacted] Comments:

1. The shipments probably involved units of the 2nd Guards AAA Division which had moved to Wustrow on 6 April.
2. It is believed that these shipments are connected with exercises of the 2nd Guards Mechanized Army in the Rathenow-Jerichow area.
3. These shipments were probably dispatched from Werneuchen, Brand and Jueterbog-Altes Lager airfields.
4. This information may be connected with the observations that the Forst Tauer troops training grounds was vacated by the 9th Mechanized Division and remained empty between 18 and 27 June and that more than 100 tanks were seen moving through Muskau toward Goerlitz on 17 and 18 June. It is possible that this division may have been committed in Silesia. The assembly of flatcars may indicate that the division's mission was accomplished by 5 July and that it was to be returned to its permanent station.
5. The information contained in paragraphs 6 and 7 indicates that major elements of the 1st Mechanized Division had returned to their stations by 6 July.
6. The shipments probably involved units of the 63rd AAA Division which returned to their home stations.
7. It is believed that the elements of the 8th Guards Mechanized Division which had been committed in Leipzig after 17 June returned to Koenigsbrueck.

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