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SECURITY INFORMATION

COUNTRY East Germany

REPORT

TOPIC Military Information from EberswaldeEVALUATION [redacted] PLACE OBTAINED [redacted] 25X1DATE OF CONTENT [redacted] 25X1DATE OBTAINED [redacted] DATE PREPARED 22 July 1953 25X1

REFERENCES

PAGES 2 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE)

REMARKS

This is UNEVALUATED Information 25X1

1. On 10 July 1953, the Schuetzen Kaserne in Eberswalde was occupied by about 2,000 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with tank, artillery, signal and motor transport insignia; and blue-bordered black epaulets with signal insignia; and by a headquarters. Training of recruits and physical training were observed. Two armored scout cars [redacted] and motor vehicles [redacted] were seen en route to the installation. On 10 July, the Artillerie Kaserne was occupied by about 2,000 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with tank and artillery insignia. JS-3 tank [redacted] was seen near the entrance. The camp on Breitscheid Strasse was occupied by about 300 troops wearing black-bordered black epaulets with signal and motor transport insignia; blue-bordered black epaulets; and red-bordered black epaulets with signal insignia. [redacted] the troops belonged to a telephone construction unit. Motor vehicles [redacted] were seen en route to the installation. Shipments coming from the direction of Freienwalde and proceeding toward west included 200 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets and 28 M-13 rocket launchers, on 22 June; T-34 tanks [redacted] on 3 July; and 60 factory-new trucks, on 4 July. On 18 June, 25 T-34 tanks [redacted] were seen in Eberswalde, coming from the direction of Angermuende. 25X1
2. On 10 July, the Schuetzen Kaserne in Eberswalde was occupied by at least 2,000 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia and a few signal insignia. Nine M-13 rocket launchers [redacted] trucks [redacted] signal truck [redacted] and jeep [redacted] occupied by field-grade officers, were seen entering the installation, coming from the direction of Britz. On 10 July, the Artillerie Kaserne was occupied by about 2,000 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with tank or artillery insignia. Sedan [redacted] occupied by a one-star general, was seen leaving the installation. Truck [redacted] occupied by a major and 10 EM wearing red-bordered black epaulets, entered the installation. Imprints of tracks of a heavy tank led into the installation. Noises of tank engines were heard from the installation. The cantonment on Breitscheid Strasse, on 10 July, was occupied to capacity by a signal unit. Truck [redacted] was at the entrance. 25X1

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3. On 5 July, the Schuetzen Kaserne in Eberswalde was occupied as previously, including the headquarters. Thirty-six trucks [redacted] and towing AA guns were seen at the entrance. +

1. Comment. The information does not indicate a change in the occupation of the installations mentioned over observations [redacted]

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2. Comment. [redacted] the rocket launcher shipment had been entrained in Eberswalde on 22 June. The report had so been worded that the shipment was believed to have been an equipment shipment rather than a troop movement, especially as, on the same day, new rocket launchers from Brest had arrived in Eberswalde. [redacted] the train on 18 June probably carried units of the 6th Gds Mecz Div which came from Templin and possibly were detained in Eberswalde for the Artillerie Kaserne. [redacted]

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