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1. Troop trains loaded at the Weimar railroad station after 2 p.m. on 4 July 1953 included: a train carrying 8 x 85-mm AA guns, 10 trucks, ☐ and 8 boxcarloads of troops; a second train carrying 12 x 85-mm AA guns, 4 x 37-mm AA guns, 12 trucks, ☐ and 12 boxcarloads of troops; and at night a third shipment, details of which, because of security measures, could not be determined. A railroadman stated that the shipments were bound for Weimar.¹ At 5:50 p.m. on 4 July, a train carrying 4 x 152-mm field howitzers, 4 x 122-mm field howitzers and 8 trucks, ☐ and including 3 boxcars occupied by troops passed through Weimar, coming from the west.² On 5 July, about 1,500 to 2,000 troops stationed at the post participated in an athletic contest in the swimming pool and stadium in Weimar. During the contest, the barracks installations were occupied only by small guard details. Troops participating in the contest included 308 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets, from the Luetzendorf Kaserne; 296 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets, from the Tannenberg Kaserne; 250 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets, including 50 wearing tank insignia, from the Flak Kaserne; and 250 soldiers, including about 125 wearing motor transport insignia, from the Mueller Kaserne.
2. On 7 July, the Fliegerhorst Kaserne in Nohra was occupied by a rear detail of the headquarters of about 30 men and a guard detail of 60 to 80 men. Four sedans were seen near a building. Vehicular traffic which had been rather heavy during the rebellion, again was very light. The courier plane to and from Weimar, which had daily been observed, was no longer seen since recently.³
3. The Luetzendorf Kaserne was occupied by an estimated 350 troops, the Tannenberg Kaserne by an estimated 350 to 400 troops and the Flak Kaserne by an estimated 250 troops. Source expressed the belief that a small unit of the armored command was stationed in the Flak Kaserne. Prior to the arrival of units called-in during the rebellion, 5 T-34/85 tanks left the Flak Kaserne for the railroad car factory in Weimar.⁴ The Mueller Kaserne was occupied by a rear detail of about 300 to 350 troops, the bulk of which apparently belonged to a motor transport unit. A guard detail of an officer and two EM was daily picked up at the station by a truck. The Panzer Kaserne was occupied by a guard detail of about 13 soldiers.

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1. [redacted] Comment. [redacted] departure of
a shipment of medium AA guns from Weimar toward Halle. [redacted]
The trains mentioned in the present report carried units of the 13th AAA
Div, which fairly definitely went to Wustrow.

2. [redacted]

3. [redacted] Comment. [redacted] the army
headquarters had been transferred from Nohra to Ohrdruf. [redacted]

4. [redacted] Comment. The tanks may have belonged to the 65th Gds Mecz Regt of the
20th Gds Mecz Div.

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