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CB - Converted Boxcar
 B - Boxcar
 F - Flatcar
 SSy - Heavy-Duty Flatcar
 RRym - Heavy-Duty Flatcar

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1. Troop trains [redacted] between 23 and 29 September 1953 included:

<u>Date in September</u>	<u>Combination of Troop Trains</u>	<u>Tons</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	
23	2 B, 15 F	254	Aken	Jerichow	1
24	7 CB, 8 B, 43 F	1,018	Neubukow	Klotzsche	2
	7 B, 41 F	815	Guestrow	Jerichow	
	9 CB, 7 B, 29 F	964	Neubukow	Dessau	
	7 CB, 6 B, 14 F, 10 RRym	836	Kroepelin	"	
	17 cars		Aken	Jerichow	1
25	7 CB, 8 B, 43 F	1,018	Neubukow	Dresden	2
	6 CB, 6 B, 34 F	874	"	Klotzsche	2
	8 CB, 2 B, 27 F	684	Schwerin	Genthin	
	7 CB, 2 B, 22 F, 4 SSy	625	"	"	
	7 CB, 5 B, 43 F	640	Dresden	Schwerin	
	10 CB, 34 F	776	Schwerin	Genthin	
	6 CB, 2 B, 46 F	964	Hagenow	Jerichow	

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26	9 CB, 25 F	755	Schwerin	Genthin	50X1-HUM 3) 3) 4) 4) 4) 4) 3) 3) 5) 6) 7) 7) 6) 6)
	11 CB, 28 F, 2 B	833	"	Jerichow	
	6 CB, 4F, 6 RRym	437	"	"	
	8 CB, 41 F	855	Ludwigslust	Jerichow	
	11 CB, 2B, 12 RRym 8 F	1,075	Schwerin	Genthin	
	17 CB, 6 F, 25 RRym	1,454	Quedlinburg	Tangerhuetten	
	16 B, 21 F, 6 RRym	942	Suderode	"	
	2 CB, 24 F		Wittenberg	Haldensleben	
	12 B, 25 F, 8 SSy	769	Rosslau	"	
27	9 CB, 23 F, 10 RRym	1,221	Schwerin	Jerichow	
	15 CB, 33 F, 3 RRym	878	Hagenow	Genthin	
	14 B, 33 F, 7 RRym	1,120	Halle railroad district	Haldensleben	
	10 CB, 2 B, 4 F, 22 RRym	1,114	Quedlinburg	Tangerhuetten	
	4 CB, 20 F, 10 RRym	1,208	Schwerin	Jerichow	
	16 CB, 4 RRym	951	Hagenow	Genthin	
16 CB, 21 F, 12 RRym	1,182	Schwerin	"		
	10 CB, 31 F	931	Brueckfeld	Templin	
	2 CB, 7 F, 12 RRym	1,261	Haldensleben	Jerichow	
28	15 B, 24 F	736	undetermined	Haldensleben	
	11 CB, 13 F, 8 RRym	853	Hagenow	Genthin	
	10 B, 30 F	706	"	"	
	9 CB, 24 F, 3 RRym	887	Schwerin	"	
	17 CB, 2 B, 21 F, 4 RRym	976	Aken	Goeschwitz	
29	5 CB, 11 B, 15 F	837	Letzlingen	Burg	
	5 CB, 3 B, 8 F, 14 RRym	1,314	Jaevenitz	"	
	12 CB, 4 B, 21 F	692	Aken	Halle railroad district	
	11 CB, 17 F, 4 SSy	798	"	"	

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2. [redacted] a locomotive engineer, handled the following troop trains: on 26 September, a troop train from Schwepnitz to Roederau composed of 3 boxcars and 57 flatcars with about 150 troops, T-34 tanks, [redacted] 16 field howitzers, 30 trucks, [redacted] 3 sedans, and 2 motorcycles; and on 1 October, a troop train of 140 axles from Koenigsbrueck to Roederau, loaded with 16 T-34 tanks, [redacted] 4 JS-1 tanks, and 5 trucks, [redacted]

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3. [redacted] between 25 September and 4 October, 18 troop trains with troop units and tanks went from Koenigsbrueck to Roederau. ⁹

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4. Troop trains [redacted] between 1 and 7 October included: 50X1-HUM

<u>Date in October</u>	<u>Composition of Troop Trains</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	50X1-HUM
1	84 axles	Tangerhuetten	Fuerstenwalde	[redacted]
5	120 axles	Altengrabow	Brandenburg	
6	11 CB, 14 B, 18 F, 5 SSy	Tangerhuetten	"	
	16 B, 22 F, 11 SSy	Altengrabow	"	
	10 CB, 10 B, 27 F	Tangerhuetten	"	
7	9 CB, 50 F	"	"	
7	2 CB, 12 RRym	Mahlwinkel	"	
	9 CB, 40 F	"	"	
	7 B, 2 F, 12 RRym	Haldensleben	"	
	6 CB, 21 B, 18 F	Wolmirstedt	"	

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5. [redacted] on 7 October, 260 railroad cars were to be assembled at Gransee for entraining of troops. ¹¹

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6. The following troop trains [redacted] on 8, 9 and 10 October:

<u>Date in October</u>	<u>Composition of Troop Trains</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	[redacted]
8	12 CB, 19 F, 12 RRym	Neustrelitz	Forst Zinna	12
	29 B, 8 F, 4 SSy, 4 RRym	Wolmirstedt	Satzkorn	13
	33 cars	Neustrelitz	Forst Zinna	12
	1 CB, 10 RRym	Lieberose	Frankfurt/Oder	14
	1 CB, 11 RRym	"	Fuerstenwalde	14
9	20 B, 27 F	Neustrelitz	Dallgow-Doeberitz	12
	25 B, 28 F	"	"	12
	11 B, 28 F, 7 RRym	"	"	12
10	8 B, ? F	"	"	12
	12 B, 4 F, 11 RRym	"	"	12

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7. [redacted] the following railroad cars were to be made available on 8 and 10 October:

<u>Date in October</u>	<u>Number of Cars</u>	<u>Assembling Station</u>	<u>Receiving Station</u>	[redacted]
8		Velten	Jueterbog-Altes Lager	15
10	12 CB, 2 B, 66 F	Rathenow	Goeschwitz	16
	12 CB, 4 B, 44 F	"	"	16
	4 CB, 2 B, 48 F	"	"	16
	11 CB, 1 B, 36 F	Jueterbog-Altes Lager	Velten	15
	12 CB, 1 B, 47 F	"	Dellgow-Doeberitz	12
	11 CB, 2 B, 42 F	"	"	12

1. [redacted] Comment. The troop train [redacted] was previously reported, while the troop train [redacted] is observed for the first time. The latter apparently carried an additional engineer unit of the GOFG from the Aken area to the Jerichow area to participate in major field exercises of the Third Shock Army. 50X1-HUM
2. [redacted] Comment. Only the troop trains [redacted] carrying components of the 4th Gds AAA Div from Neubakow to Klotzsche were previously reported. As number and type of railroad cars and the train weight are alike [redacted] 50X1-HUM
3. [redacted] Comment. The entraining and departure of contingents of the 207th Mtz Rifle Div stationed in Quedlinburg was previously reported [redacted] Date and receiving stations indicate that these troops, as expected, participated in field exercises of the Third Shock Army. 50X1-HUM
4. [redacted] Comment. Troop shipments from the area of the Third Gds Meck Army to the southern sector of Letzling Heath during this period are reported for the first time. These contingents were probably also to participate in the field exercises of the Third Shock Army, possibly as onlookers. 50X1-HUM
5. [redacted] Comment. The troop train probably carried a tank unit of the 19th Gds Meck Div or 136th Gds Hv Tank SP Regt to the Jueterbog area for participating in the field exercises of the Third Shock Army. 50X1-HUM
6. [redacted] Comment. The troop train probably carried engineer units which had completed their training on the Elbe River. Another troop train from Aken and four troop trains from Dessau were dispatched to Thuringia in early October 1953. [redacted] 50X1-HUM
7. [redacted] Comment. It is believed that the two troop trains were loaded with elements of the 136th Gds Hv Tank SP Regt and/or headquarters units of the LXXIX Mtz Rifle Corps. On 1 and 2 October 1953, additional troop trains [redacted] went from Letzlingen and Stendal respectively to Burg. [redacted] 50X1-HUM
8. [redacted] Comment. All troop trains not commented on in [redacted] Comments 1 through 7 were previously known [redacted] The troop train allegedly from Dresden to Schwerin on 25 September 1953 has not been identified. 50X1-HUM

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9. Comment. The tank turret [] and vehicle [] indicate that the troop train on 26 September 1953 probably carried elements of the 20th Gds Mecz Regt of the 8th Gds Mecz Div from Wurzen. The field howitzers, however, actually were 76.2-mm field guns. [] the troop train on 1 October 1953 was probably loaded with elements of the 23rd Tank Regt of the 9th Tank Div from Oschatz. [] eight troop trains were dispatched from the Koenigsbrueck area to Roederau, Oschatz, Riesa, Meissen and Grossenhain between 1 and 5 October 1953. [] It cannot be definitely interpreted whether troops were carried back to their home stations or hauled to a training area. 50X1-HUM
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10. []
11. Comment. There are no indications that major troop contingents will be unloaded in the Gransee area at about 7 October 1953. 50X1-HUM
12. Comment. The troop trains from Neustrelitz carried the bulk of the 2nd Light Arty Brig [] back to its home station in Doeberitz; pertinent entrainings were observed at Neustrelitz, and unloadings reported from Doeberitz. Two additional troop trains hauled contingents of the brigade to Jueterbog for a two-day firing practice with live ammunition; one of the trains was observed passing through Satz Korn. 50X1-HUM
13. Comment. This troop train is reported for the first time and carried another component of the 10th Gds Tank Div back to Krampnitz. Between 30 September and 8 October 1953, the rail movement of this division included 26 troop trains to Krampnitz and 7 troop trains to Brandenburg. 50X1-HUM
14. Comment. The two troop trains probably carried tanks of the 7th Gds Mecz Div which returned to their home stations. 50X1-HUM
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15. Comment. The assembling of the troop train [] Observations at the Satz Korn railroad station indicated that the train was loaded with an element of the 90th RL Regt [] which, on 10 October 1953, returned to Schoenewalde on the troop train [] 50X1-HUM
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16. Comment. The Goeschwitz railroad station is located south of Jena. The troop trains from Rathenow to Goeschwitz probably carried contingents of the IV Arty Corps possibly belonging to the 25th RL Brig. In most instances, such movement was indicative of a field exercise in the unloading area. Pertinent observations, however, are not yet available. 50X1-HUM

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