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REMARKS

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1. Between 2 and 19 September 1953, the Damm Fliegerhorst installation, Jueterbog, was less occupied than indicated in the preceding report. Several groups of about 100 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets were daily rotated to the training area for advanced combat training during the period under review. Troops observed in the barracks yard and at the firing ranges daily engaged in drill, and training in firing with carbines, submachine guns and machine guns respectively. T-34/85 tank [redacted] daily engaged in driving practice in the training area. Motor vehicles [redacted] were seen en route to and from the installation.<sup>1</sup> 50X1-HUM
2. Between 14 and 17 September, 60 to 70 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia, armed with carbines, submachine guns and machine guns and equipped with gasmasks and rucksacks were almost daily observed on Bahnhofstrasse in Jueterbog, marching toward Altes Lager. A group of soldiers of about the same strength entered the Damm Fliegerhorst installation on 15 September.
3. Between 14 and 19 September, about 20 to 30 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets engaged in entrenching work, and 30 to 40 soldiers engaged in advanced combat practice in the area of the Fuchsberg Kaserne, while a bridge, 8 to 10 meters long, 4 meters wide and 1.2 to 1.4 meters high and with slanting ends was between two quartering buildings of the installation.<sup>1</sup>
4. About 35 Germans had been hired for work in the hospital during the period under review.<sup>2</sup>
5. Between 8 and 15 September, the Forst Zinna training area was only partially and temporarily restricted. On 10 September, 3 T-34/85 tanks and 1 JS-2 tanks were seen at firing practice. Heavy wooden disks on wooden sledges were towed along the embankment in Jagen (forest section) No 40 from the engine house. The disks were fired at by tanks from a distance of about 400 meters. About 300 troops almost daily practiced firing with small arms at the firing range. Between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. on 12 September, AT guns from the Adolf Hitler camp fired at heavy wooden disks in Jagen Nos 62 and 70.
6. On 15 September, the Adolf Hitler camp in Forst Zinna was occupied as previously by about 2,000 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets, including some with

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artillery and tank insignia. Drilling troops were repeatedly seen in the 50X1-HUM  
billeting area during the period under review. Between 10 and 12 September,  
six tanks were detrained at the Forst Zinna railroad station and subsequently  
left for the camp. At about 5 p.m. on 12 September, 10 sedans left the camp,  
and after about 20 minutes, returned from the direction of Luckenwalde, occupied  
by civilians. Motor vehicles seen en route to and from the camp [redacted]

1. [redacted] Comment. This information only vaguely indicates units of the 14th Gds  
Mecz Div carried there. The bulk of the division may have been stationed in  
tent camps at the training grounds. [redacted] 50X1-HUM
2. [redacted] Comment. Several indications for reemployment of Germans with Soviet  
units have been received. 50X1-HUM
3. [redacted] Comment. The Adolf Hitler camp is carried occupied as previously by 50X1-HUM  
the Hq Third Gds Mecz Army. The tanks and AT guns repeatedly observed there  
presumably belong to the 50th Mtrcl Regt of the Third Gds Mecz Army.

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