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REMARKS

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1. Between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. on 28 September 1953, the entire Droegeheide billeting area, Installation VI, was inspected by two Soviet generals, a VP general, allegedly General Rentzsch, and several Soviet and KVP officers. The inspection commission left the installation toward Torgelow in 13 sedans 25X1

2. Prior to 16 October, 25X1 Blocks A and B were occupied to capacity, while two quartering buildings of Block C were still empty. A brick wall two meters high was being built between the road and the installation. A total of 233 standardized houses including 120 two-family houses were nearing completion northwest of the billeting area. The motor vehicle garages and shop buildings of the installation were still empty. The spur track from Cummitz via Spechtberg to the installation is scheduled to be extended as far as Grambow in the near future. 1

3. The morning of 6 October, about 900 men from the Block C practiced marching in review, Soviet style. On 8 October, about 900 men had fallen in in the area of Block C for an address by Lieutenant Colonel Fette, allegedly commanding officer of this unit. On the same day, four groups of eight men each were seen doing basic training with carbines in the billeting area. About 90 men who carried spades left the houses of Block C for training outside the billeting area. Another three details of 10 men armed with a heavy machine gun each were also observed leaving the installation. The morning of 12 October, four trucks 25X1 left the houses of Block C toward Torgelow. The trucks were loaded with about 120 soldiers with full packs. 25X1

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4. On 8 October, source observed about 40 x 152-mm artillery pieces and a corresponding number of caterpillar tractors parked west of the billeting area of Installation IX, Stallberg. 2
- 25X1 5. At 3:30 p.m. on 15 October, a convoy of six trucks [redacted] seen proceeding from Pasewalk to Torgelow. The trucks carried KVP personnel with red collar patches.
6. After 1 p.m. on 16 and 17 October, KVP AAA units from Droegsheide practiced firing at the firing range of Installation XII. Two batteries were allegedly involved. During the firing practices the area was guarded by sentries who wore red-bordered black epaulets. 3
- 25X1 7. About 11 a.m. on 19 October, a convoy of 15 trucks [redacted] were seen proceeding from Torgelow to Pasewalk.
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- 25X1 1. [redacted] Comment. The billeting area of Droegsheide, also referred to as Installation VI, is subdivided into Blocks A, B and C. The installation quarters an infantry Kommando, artillery, AAA, and tank units. Fette is reported for the first time. He is possibly identical with Lieutenant Colonel Wedde, commanding officer of the tank 31 regiment.
- 25X1 2. [redacted] Comment. The artillery pieces seen belong to the Howitzer artillery regiment of IV 12, Pasewalk.
- 25X1 3. [redacted] Comment. Installation XII probably is the firing range in the Jaegerbrueck area. So far, AAA units have only been observed practicing in the Altwarp area.

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