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1. [redacted]

2. On 4 March, the Artillerie Kaserne in Perleberg was heavily occupied. One Colonel Bragin was identified in the installation.

3. On 4 March, the Fliegerhorst Kaserne [redacted] in Perleberg was heavily occupied. General Kosikov was at the installation. Colonel Levenin (fnu) was unit commander. Lieutenant Colonel Vasiliev (fnu) belonged to his unit. Major Volkov took over the unit he had commanded previously. Captain Shumelkov (fnu) had been his deputy.

4. On 4 March, a railroad shipment of 26 trucks [redacted] and 10 AT guns of about 80 mm on an undetermined number of flatcars and ammunition and 330 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia on 1 boxcar was unloaded in Altruppin, coming from Dallgow. The troops drove by road toward Zermuetzel. 2

5. [redacted] between 8 p.m. and 2 a.m. during the night of 4 March, tanks, including No 387, and trucks moved along the Chaussee from Altruppin toward Loewenberg. 3

6. On 4 March, a company, AT guns of about 75 mm and heavy mortars of an undetermined caliber were entrained at Bad Freienwalde railroad station. [redacted] that the loading operation was completed at about 4 a.m. on 5 March. The train left toward Eberswalde. The trucks which towed the AT guns had 25-cm white stripes of paper on the hood and along the sidewalls of the superstructure. The troops showed about 4-cm wide white circles below the Soviet Star emblem at the fur caps.

7. At about 1 p.m. on 5 March, about 20 T-34 tanks were loaded at Eberswalde railroad station. 4

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- 25X1A 1. [ ] Comment. It is believed that units of the 58th Mech Regt of the 18th Mech Div from the Artillerie Kaserne conducted exercises in the area of Pritzwalk in late February, with the exercises having terminated in early March. The officers are known, except for Colonel Levenin (fau).
- 25X1A 2. [ ] Comment. According to the [ ] elements of the 2d Light Arty Brig (US) were detained on 4 March. The units were possibly to practice firing west of Neuglienicke. 25X1B
- 25X1A 3. [ ] Comment. It is assumed that units of the 12th Gds Tank Div left for exercises. The tank turret number belongs to the division. It cannot yet be said whether there are connections between these movements and the unloading of units of the 2d Light Arty Brig (US).
- 25X1A 4. [ ] Comment. It is believed that units of the 16th Gds Mech Regt of the 6th Gds Mech Div were loaded in Bad Freienwalde and the tank battalion of the 17th Gds Mech Regt of the division in Eberswalde. The troops presumably transferred to conducted field exercises.

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