

## CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

## INFORMATION REPORT

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1. The fortification system around Constanta, Rumania, consists of two parts: the fort system around the Siut Ghiol bay in the north, and the line of fortifications south of the city which includes the harbor with the shipyard and the drydock. 25X1
2. The fortifications along the Siut Ghiol bay serve to defend the coast from the sea rather than from the mainland. The gun turrets of the various forts are able to turn in a 360 degree radius. Some of the guns are ship's guns of the Obuchov type 305 mm caliber and Skoda guns, caliber 222 mm. An additional four groups of forts extend from the bay to the northern edge of the city. They are occupied by units of a Rumanian heavy coastal artillery regiment.
3. The southern area of fortifications serves to protect the harbor proper, including the navy arsenal of the Steaua Rosie shipyard and the drydocks. The docking facilities are being enlarged and the new drydocks will be able to accommodate the largest navy ships. Since Rumania has neither battleships nor cruisers, it follows that these docks are being built on Soviet orders for the use of Russian warships.
4. Approximately 2,400 to 2,600 meters south of the city are additional fortifications. They also have bunkers and gun turrets and are linked together by antiaircraft positions employing 85 mm and 122 mm AA guns, and heavy artillery emplacements. Still further south the defenses consists of earth fortifications.
5. Two heavy coastal artillery regiments are presently stationed in Constanta and are subordinate to the defense command, as are four battalions which, however, are not yet at full strength.

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6. Subordinate to the Navy are marine troops, the navy arsenal and all special units belonging thereto. In Constanta, the Navy has command over two marine infantry regiments, each composed of two battalions. Additional units are directly subordinate to the regimental headquarters, such as a 76.2 mm field gun battery, a 76.2 mm anti-tank battery, a 127 mm antiaircraft company, an engineer platoon, signal platoon, and a medical platoon. The Navy Command at Constanta also has available a marine artillery regiment armed with 122 mm field howitzers.

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