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TOPIC Zwoelfaxing Airfield and Schwechat Military Post

EVALUATION PLACE OBTAINED

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REFERENCES

PAGES 1 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE)

REMARKS This is UNEVALUATED

1. Between 11:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. on 2 May 1954, (sunday), the Token-type radar set at Zwoelfaxing (P 49/33 U:XP 0929) airfield was in operation for about half an hour, while no personnel were observed there. The set rotated clockwise and made 8 to 9 full rotations per minute during the first 5 minutes, and subsequently, 3 rotations per minute. Source could not determine whether dipoles were fitted on the frame which was apparently covered with dark-gray cloth. The observations were made from a distance of 700 meters with the help of a stopwatch. While the Token-type radar set was in operation, the Fishnet-type set which was located 50 meters northeast of the first set did not rotate. Some soldiers were observed near the temporary buildings or van-like trucks.
2. South of the Token-type radar set, eight soldiers were engaged in strewing with their hands a white powder, probably fertilizer, on an area which had been plowed and rolled. Truck [redacted] with a driver wearing black-bordered blue epaulets hauled white sacks to that place. A jeep, occupied by an officer, drove up to the soldiers from the direction of Himberg (33 U:XP 0727) and, after some time, proceeded to the barracks installation at the field. Truck [redacted] with a driver wearing red-bordered black epaulets and artillery insignia and loaded with a box containing rations arrived at the barracks installation.
3. Altkettenhof at Schechat (33 U:XP 0933) military post was guarded by sentries wearing black-bordered blue epaulets. Nine motor vehicles seen were parked there and ambulance [redacted] with a driver wearing black-bordered blue epaulets entered the installation.

Comment. The Token-type radar set at Zwoelfaxing airfield was observed for the first time on 20 April 1954.

at Wiener Neustadt and Parndorf it is inferred that the radar set and the newly observed personnel belong to the division stationed at these airfields.

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