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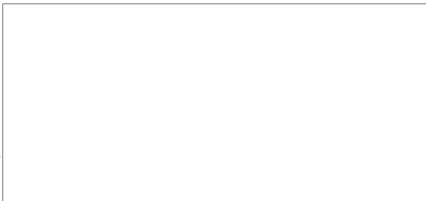
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1. Dr. Herbert Kortum has replaced Dipl. Ing. Bischoff as head of the Development Department at Carl Zeiss VEB Optik, Jena. He, Dipl. Ing. Bielmeyer and Dr. Straubel, the latest returnees from Russia, form the development department.
2. In April 1954, the USSR placed large orders for theodolites, oscillographs, mirror galvanometers, Toeppler Schlieren devices, and interferometers at Zeiss. The exact amount of these orders is not known. 25X1
3. The production of lenses, measuring devices, microscopes, etc., has had to be greatly curtailed because of interference in the West market outlets by Carl Zeiss Oberkochen. It is hoped to fill this vacuum in production by the manufacture of a Volkskamera (Spiegelreflex); 15,000 of this type of camera are scheduled to be produced in 1954. So far, however, the plans are still on the drawing board.
4. The management of VEB Carl Zeiss, Jena, is awaiting the outcome of its suit concerning the use of the Carl Zeiss trademark against Zeiss, Oberkochen, which is being tried in Stuttgart. 25X1
5. The manufacture of this new camera would require an extensive plant reorganization. Furthermore, the Zeiss Jena company does not have the necessary experience for the mass production of this product.



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