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COUNTRY Austria REPORT

TOPIC 1. Bruck/Leitha Military Post

2. Parndorf Airfield

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EVALUATION PLACE OBTAINED

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DATE OF CONTENT

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DATE OBTAINED DATE PREPARED 6 September 1954

REFERENCES

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REMARKS -----This is UNEVALUATED Information-----

1. Between 0800 and 1145 on 2 August 1954, 4 tents were still observed in the garden of the air force quarters in Bruck/Leitha. Vehicular traffic seen involved trucks [redacted] and weapon-carrier [redacted] all with drivers wearing black-bordered blue epaulets.<sup>1</sup>

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2. Between 2000 and 0100 on the nights of 2, 3, and 4 August, night flights, apparently by jet aircraft over Parndorf were heard from Bruck/Leitha. The aircraft flew individually or in elements of two at intervals of 400 to 500 meters. They had set position lights.

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[redacted] For the first time on 4 August, it was observed that the field was partially surrounded by a barbed wire fence. A railroadman stated that work on the fence has been under way since late July 1954. [redacted]

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3. Between 0830 and 1100 on 6 August, 24 MiG-15s, 2 Yak-11s, and 1 Pe-2 were observed at Parndorf airfield. There was a 0/10 overcast, no wind and good visibility. No air activity was conducted up to 1100.<sup>3</sup> The AA gun emplacements were occupied by 3 x 37-mm AA guns. The following motor vehicles were parked in the garages and in the open: 10 trucks, 7 van-like trucks, 7 tank trucks. [redacted]

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[redacted] and 3 Moskvich-type trucks [redacted] Six trucks one of which had the [redacted] were parked near the battery charging station. Two motor vehicles were observed under a lean-to-roof near the fuel dump and 4 field kitchens under another lean-to-roof near the earth bunker. The airfield was surrounded by a barbed wire fence. Vehicular traffic to and from the field involved tank truck [redacted] and trucks [redacted]

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1. Comment. Personnel of Parndorf airfield are quartered in Bruck/Leitha.

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2. Comment. Of the aircraft [redacted] were observed for the first time in Austria. [redacted] had been observed on airfields in East Germany in February, March

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and April 1953 and in March 1954.

3.  Comment. It is believed that Parndorf airfield is still occupied by a Soviet fighter regiment.

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