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TOPIC Soviet Depots in Biesenthal 25X1

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This is UNEVALUATED Information

1. On 4 August 1954, it was determined that the Soviet ordnance and equipment depot southwest of the Biesenthal railroad station was bisected by a fence. Soviet officers, EM and German workers were searched for lighters and matches prior to entering the southern section of the installation. About 50 x 85-mm AT guns, about 40 x 120-mm mortars and about 200 ammunition boxes measuring 120 x 50 x 40 cm were seen in this section. The motor pool of the depot included 8 trucks, 1 Dodge vehicle and 1 prime mover. 25X1

The installation housed the armory formerly stationed in Finow under Major Bralazov (fnu); a senior lieutenant who was previously identified in Finow was deputy. The unit also included 5 officers and 30 EM. The ordnance and equipment depot previously stationed in Finow was also stationed there. The total occupation of the depot numbered 1 lieutenant colonel, 2 majors, 10 to 12 other officers and about 100 EM. 25X1

2. On 5 and 10 August, about 100 to 150 mortars of 120 mm, 30 to 50 AT guns of 85 mm and 3 M-13 rocket launchers were seen in the Soviet ordnance and equipment depot at Biesenthal. 25X1

3. The following is a list of rail shipments which arrived at, or were dispatched from the ordnance and equipment depot in Biesenthal in July 1954:
B - Boxcar; F/S - Flatcar with Sideracks 25X1

Date	Number of Cars	Load	From	To	
6	11 F/S 4 B	26 x 120-mm mortars, 7 x 57-mm AT guns ammunition	Satzkorn	Biesenthal, 01011	25X1
17	3 B	5 x 120-mm mortars	"	" 1	
7	3 B	military goods, 20 tons	Fuerstenwalde	"	
14	1 B	gasoline, 8 tons	Velten	"	

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 TONS [redacted]

17	7 B	military goods 66 tons	Hieberose	Biesenthal, GROB	25X1
18	6 B	" 56 tons	Juckerberg	"	
21 and 22	2 B	" 25 tons	Brenzlau	"	
4	2 B	" 8 tons	Biesenthal GROB	Hieberose	25X1
13	2 B	military goods	"	Haidenleber	
18	2 B	"	"	Dranse	
29	3 B	"	"	Juckerberg	
28	1 B	" 9 tons	"	Satzkeim	25X1

4. The following is a list of rail shipments which arrived at, or were dispatched from, the Biesenthal rail depot in July 1952:

T - Tank Car

Date	Number of Cars	Load	From	To	
10	4 T	gasoline, 76 tons	Casskowitz	Biesenthal	[redacted]
13	4 T	" 45 tons	"	"	25X1
20	4 T	" 45 tons	"	"	
30	2 T	" 25 tons	"	"	25X1
6	1 T	" 12 tons	Wetter	"	
13	1 T	" 10 tons	"	"	25X1
16	2 B	" 24 tons	"	"	
18	2 B	" 16 tons	Altstrelitz	"	
25	1 B	" 4 tons	"	"	25X1
29	6 B	" 46 tons	"	"	
3	2 B	" 16 tons	Vogelsang	"	25X1
27	1 T	" 12 tons	Satzkeim	"	
4	1 T	" 15 tons	Biesenthal	Hieberose	25X1
10	1 T	" 11 tons	"	"	
24	1 T	" 12 tons	"	"	
24	2 T	" 41 tons	"	Oranienburg	[redacted]
26	2 T	" 24 tons	"	Satzkeim	[redacted]
31	1 B	" 10 tons	"	Kamowitz	[redacted]

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[Redacted] Comment. It is known that ordnance repair shops are available with the ordnance and equipment depots of the armies. [Redacted]

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[Redacted] Major Bralazov (fnu) is head of the ordnance workshop. Contradictory information on the number of 120-mm mortars available at the depot has been obtained. The figure in paragraph 2 appears more probably since, according to paragraph 3, 31 mortars from Satz Korn alone arrived at the depot. In any case, the figure of 100 to 150 mortars at the depot in Biesenthal is very interesting.

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[Redacted] Comment. The volume of supply traffic of the Fourth Gds Mech Army fuel depot at Biesenthal remained unchanged. [Redacted]

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[Redacted] receiving units were the following:

- Army troops of the Fourth Gds Mech Army
- 32d AAA Div
- 7th Gds Mech Div
- 6th Gds Mech Div
- 25th Tank Div
- 56th Motor Transport Regt
- Air Force units.

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