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1. [REDACTED] gondola cars with 79,269 tons of coke entered East Germany via Forst. These shipments included 78,233 tons of Prom coal and 21,674 tons of Prom coke. 1

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2. Between 1 and 25 July, 4,522 tons of gas coal entering East Germany via Forst and Horka were consigned to the Martin Hoop Plant in Zwickau. The shipments directed through Forst were included in the figures given in paragraph 1.

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3. Between 30 June and 15 July, about 900 tons of gasflame coal (Gasflame-Rohle) entered East Germany via Forst. [REDACTED] this coal was to be stored as a state reserve.

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4. In July, the following empty grain shuttle trains passed through Frankfurt/Oder:

Date in July	Number of Boxcars	Dispatched from
4 to 14	not reported	
15	56	Hangelsberg
18	56	Berlin-Rummelsburg
20	56	Berlin-Rummelsburg
21	56	Berlin-Rummelsburg
22	50	Berlin-Rummelsburg
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Date in July	Number of Boxcars	Dispatched from
27	55	Berlin-Rummelsburg
	60	Berlin-Rummelsburg
28 to 31	not reported	

5. [redacted] gasoline shipments from Grosskorbetha to Stettin included 40 tank cars on 9 July and 47 tank cars on 20 July.<sup>3</sup>

6. Between 18 and 29 July, the following shipments were observed at the Frankfurt/Oder railroad station:

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B - boxcar  
 F - flatcar  
 G - gondola car  
 T - tank car

Date in July	Number and Type of Cars	Load	From	To
18	8 G	pig iron	Frankfurt/Oder border	Hennigsdorf
	6 F	iron tubes	"	Chemnitz
	28 G	ore	"	Zittendorf 4
	26 B	rye	"	Frankfurt/Oder D.S.U. 2
	8 B and F	enamel, wine casks	Thale	Brest-Litovsk
	8 F	crane parts	Eisenspalterei	"
	12 F	machinery, machinery parts	Magdeburg	"
	6 F	"	Leipzig	"
20	12 B	cotton	Frankfurt/Oder border	Riesa
	6 B	"	"	Chemnitz
	6 B	lead, red brass	"	Rummelsburg
	4 G	coal	"	Wittenberg
	2 F	sheet iron	"	Rostock
	4 F	"	"	Stralsund
	18 F	machinery, machinery parts	Magdeburg	Brest-Litovsk
	8 F	"	Erfurt-Ost	"

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Date in July	Number and Type of Cars	Load	From	To
20	4 B	chemicals	Bitterfeld	Brest-Litovsk
	2 B	films	Wolfen	"
	4 B	furniture	Bad Liebenwerda	"
	10 T	fuel	Grosskorbetha	" 3
	8 B	sheet aluminum	Hettstedt	"
	6 F	machinery	Goerlitz	"
	8 G	cables	Rummelsburg	"
	4 F	iron constructions	Wiederitzsch	"
	4 F	wine casks	Thale	"
21	2 B	undetermined	Eberswalde	Frankfurt/Oder 95912 5
	16 G	pig iron	Frankfurt/Oder border	Riesa
	8 G	"	"	Groeditz
	8 G	"	"	Hennigsdorf
	6 G	"	"	Brandenburg
	8 G	coal	"	Wittenberg
	8 B	undetermined	"	Frankfurt/Oder 34198 6
	16 F	machinery, machinery parts	Magdeburg	Brest-Litovsk
	6 F	"	Stassfurt	"
	10 B	printed material	Leipzig	"
	6 G	cables	Lichtenberg	"
	4 B	ceramics	Sömmerda	"
22	42 B	rye	Frankfurt/Oder border	Frankfurt/Oder D.S.U. 2
	14 G	pig iron	"	Riesa
	16 G	"	"	Boehlen
	8 G	coal	"	Wittenberg
	20 T	empty	"	Ruhleben

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Date in July	Number and Type of Cars	Load	From	To
22	16 B	ration supply	Frankfurt/Oder border	Niederschoenhausen 7
	8 B	undetermined	"	Hettstedt
	6 B	"	"	Bitterfeld
	4 B	ammunition	Finowfurt	Lieberose 8
	6 F	enamel, wine casks	Thale	Brest-Litovsk
	18 F	machinery, machinery parts	Magdeburg	"
	6 F	"	Erfurt-Ost	"
	10 B	sheet aluminum	Hettstedt	"
24	8 G	pig iron	Frankfurt/Oder border	Hennigsdorf
	12 G	"	"	Riesa
	6 G	coal	"	Wittenberg
	14 B	ration supply	"	Niederschoenhausen 7
	12 B	cotton	"	Riesa-harbor
	6 B	"	"	Dresden
	8 B and F	enamel, wine casks	Thale	Brest-Litovsk
	16 F	machinery, machinery parts	Magdeburg	Brest-Litovsk
	4 F	"	Aue	"
	4 F	"	Leipzig	"
26	39 B	rye	Frankfurt/Oder border	Frankfurt/Oder D.S.U. 2
	14 G	pig iron	"	Riesa
	8 G	"	"	Hennigsdorf
	12 G	coal	"	Wittenberg
	8 F	machinery	Chemnitz	Brest-Litovsk
	6 F	"	Aue	"
	4 B	textiles	Plauen	"
	18 F	machinery and machinery parts	Magdeburg	"
	6 F	"	Stassfurt	"

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Date in July	Number and Type of Cars	Load	From	To
27	78 B	rye	Frankfurt/Oder border	Frankfurt/Oder D.S.U. 2
	14 B	military goods	"	Teltow 9
	14 B	cotton	"	Riesa-harbor
	6 F	structural iron	"	Halle
	2 F	tubes	"	Chemnitz
	4 B	ceramics	Soemmerda	Brest-Litovsk
	20 F	about 40 motor vehicles	Crawinkel	" 10
	18 F	machinery, machinery parts	Magdeburg	"
	8 F	iron constructions	Plagwitz	"
	4 B	textiles	Plauen	"
29	12 B	rye	Frankfurt/Oder border	Frankfurt/Oder D.S.U. 2
	2 F	sheet metal	"	Stralsund
	4 F	structural iron	"	Wiederitzsch
	2 F	tubes	"	Chemnitz
	14 G	coal	"	Wittenberg
	6 G	pig iron	"	Groeditz
	28 G	ore	"	Ziltendorf 4
	16 F	machinery	Magdeburg	Brest-Litovsk
	12 B	printed material	Leipzig	"
	6 F	machinery	Goerlitz	"
	6 F	"	Stassfurt	"
	6 F	"	Chemnitz	"
	4 B	screws	Finsterwalde	"

7. On 29 July, a shipment of 60 trucks proceeding from Frankfurt/Oder in the direction of Cottbus was observed at the Muellrose railroad station. 11

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Date in July	Number and Type of Cars	Load	From	To
30	24 cars	ore	Hamburg	Hungary
	33 "	"	"	"
	13 "	"	"	"
	38 "	"	"	"
	24 "		Kapen	Brest-Litovsk
	13 crash cars			
31	35 cars	ore	Hamburg	Hungary
	35 "	"	Hamburg	Hungary
	46 "	uranium ore	Aue	Brest-Litovsk
	30 F, 1 B		Cottbus	"
1 August	59 cars	ore	Hamburg	Hungary
	34 "	"	"	"
	43 "	gasoline	Grosskorbetha	Stettin 3
	30 F, 1 B		Kummersdorf	Brest-Litovsk

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1. Comment. In June 1954, 133,940 tons of hard coal and 81,950 tons of coke were imported from Poland to East Germany via the Forst border station. From coal is Polish coal which was originally earmarked for the USSR but was put at the disposal of the GDR by the Soviets in view of the critical coal situation in East Germany.

3. Comment. Fuel deliveries by the Leuna Works to the USSR. The cargo was transloaded to water at Stettin.

4. Comment. Soviet crude ore deliveries to the Foundry Combine East at Fuerstenberg/Oder.

7. Comment. No Soviet or KVP ration supply depot was reported to be located in Niederschoenhausen in the northern part of Greater Berlin. Possibly these ration supply shipments were earmarked for civilian consumption.

8. Comment. Intra-zonal ammunition shipment to the Lieberose troop training grounds.

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10. [Redacted] Comment. This shipment probably involved deactivated motor vehicles which were returned to the USSR. Crawinkel is one of the railroad stations serving the Ohrdruf troop training grounds. [Redacted]

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13. [Redacted] Comment. Uranium ore shipment to the USSR. [Redacted]

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