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REPORT

Soviet Troop Trains

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REMARKS This is UNEVALUATED Information 25X1

CB - converted boxcar  
B - boxcar  
F - flatcar  
SSy - heavy-duty flatcar 25X1

1. The following troop trains which came from the direction of Frankfurt/Oder were observed on 19 and 20 September 1954: 25X1

Date in September	Composition of Troop Trains	To
19	9 B, 29 F, 4 SSy	Wolfshain
	undetermined with 24 tanks	Bosbern
20	undetermined with tanks and vehicles	Wolfshain
	undetermined with tanks	Spremburg
	undetermined with tanks and vehicles	Neuhausen

It was said that special trains carried about 500 tanks and other vehicles with soldiers to the area north of Spremburg on 19 and 20 September. 1

2. [redacted] troop trains [redacted] between 25 and 28 September: 25X1

Date in September	Composition of Troop Trains	From	To
25	9 CB, 8 F, 6 SSy	Schwerin railroad district	Brueck
	7 CB, 2 F, 4 SSy	"	"

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25	8 CB, 4 F, 7 SSy	Schwerin railroad district	Wiesenburg		25X1
	12 CB, 2 F, 6 SSy	"	"		
	8 CB, 1 F, 9 SSy	"	"		
	7 CB, 8 F, 8 SSy	"	"		
	7 CB, 5 F, 6 SSy	"	"		
	9 CB, 4 F, 9 SSy	"	"		
	8 CB, 4 F, 8 SSy	"	"		
	8 CB, 3 F, 8 SSy	"	"		
	9 CB, 4 F, 9 SSy	"	"		
	11 CB, 6 F, 11 SSy	"	"		
	12 CB, 3 F, 11 SSy	"	Belzig		
	13 CB, 2 F, 8 SSy	"	"		
	13 CB, 2 F, 9 SSy	"	Nedlitz		
	11 CB, 6 F, 8 SSy	"	"		
	12 CB, 4 F, 9 SSy	Wildpark	Wiesenburg		
	5 CB, 4 F, 6 SSy	"	"		
	7 CB, 2 F, 7 SSy	"	"		
	8 CB, 6 F, 7 SSy	"	"		
	12 CB, 5 F, 6 SSy	Altengrabow	Belzig		
	12 CB, 4 F, 6 SSy	"	"		
	6 CB, 7 F, 11 SSy	"	"		
	6 CB, 7 F, 13 SSy	"	"		
	3 CB, 14 F, 11 SSy	"	"		
28	6 CB, 8 F, 14 SSy	Jueterbog- Altes Lager	Cottbus		
	4 CB, 6 F, 12 SSy	"	"		25X1
	8 CB, 6 F, 18 SSy	"	"		
	8 CB, 4 F, 19 SSy	"	"		
	4 CB, 10 F, 8 SSy	"	"		25X1

3. Shuttle-trains to Brest-Litovsk on 28, 29 and 30 September included an empty train of 53 CB, [redacted] and three empty trains totalling 165 CB, which were dispatched from Frankfurt/Oder on 28 and 29 September respectively; and a train of 54 CB with soldiers [redacted] which came from Kuestrin on 30 September. [redacted]

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4. Empty troop trains which went from Eberswalde to Frankfurt/Oder between 26 and 29 September included:

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<u>Date in September</u>	<u>Number of Cars</u>
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26	50 CB
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	40 CB
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27	45 CB
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28	40 CB
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29	40 CB
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On 30 September, an empty train of 45 CB came from the Templin area and went to Frankfurt/Oder via Eberswalde.

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Comment. On 19 September 1954, the troop trains

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\_\_\_\_\_ were dispatched from Berlin-Schoeneweide to Neuhausen south of Cottbus, and at least two troop trains went from Frankfurt/Oder toward Guben. All trains carried components of the 7th Gds Mecz Div. Other observations indicated large-scale troop movements in the area of Cottbus-Hoyerswerda on and after 19 September 1954. It is now definitely clear that large contingents of the 7th Gds Mecz Div assembled for field exercises in the Cottbus - Spremberg - Forst area, and that, in connection with these field exercises, additional troops from the Lieberose area may have arrived by road and rail. The field exercises terminated at the latest on the evening of 23 September 1954 when the first contingents returned to Frankfurt/Oder by road and rail.

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Comment. The tabulation again indicates the rail movement of contingents of the IX Mtz Rifle Corps from the Schwerin railroad district, and the 34th Arty Div from Wildpark to the assembly area of the corps before the beginning of the maneuvers about 29 September 1954.

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Comment. The troop trains from Altengrabow carried components of the IV Arty Corps and/or army artillery units of the Third Shock Army to the assembly area of the IX Mtz Rifle Corps.

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Comment. The troop trains carried tank units of the 9th Mecz Div which returned from field exercises which extended from the Peitz troop training grounds to the area east of Jueterbog. The return movement was previously reported.

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Comment. \_\_\_\_\_ According to another information, shuttle-train \_\_\_\_\_ went empty from Frankfurt/Oder to Jueterbog on 28 September 1954, probably to pick up discharges. \_\_\_\_\_ If the present report, that shuttle-train \_\_\_\_\_ was loaded, is correct, it would be the first indication of the repatriation of discharges. The other shuttle-trains went to Brest Litovsk where replacements were to be entrained.

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