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COUNTRY	<u>East Germany</u>	REPORT	
TOPIC	<u>Soviet Troop Trains</u>		25X1
EVALUATION		PLACE OBTAINED	25X1
DATE OF CONTENT			25X1
DATE OBTAINED		DATE PREPARED	<u>26 October 1954</u> 25X1
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CB - Converted Boxcar; B - Boxcar; F - Flatcar; SSY - Heavy-Duty Flatcar.

1. On 4 October 1954, a troop train of 32 B, 18 F was unloaded at the Eberswalde railroad station. The train came from Templin. Nine tanks and nine trucks were observed. 1 25X1
2. Troop trains from Stendal to Kuestrin which passed through the Oranienburg railroad station on 5 October included a train of 8 B, 27 F with soldiers, 1 sedan, 1 jeep, 2 field kitchens, and 18 trucks [redacted] and another train of 6 B, 29 F with soldiers, 11 AA guns of about 76 mm, 1 jeep and 16 trucks. 2 25X1
3. Troop trains observed at Frankfurt/Oder between 2 and 8 October included:

Date in October	Number of Cars	From	To
2	50; empty shuttle-train	Frankfurt/Oder	Brest-Litovsk
	50 with soldiers	Kuestrin	toward Cottbus
5	50 with soldiers	Kuestrin	toward Cottbus
	50; empty shuttle-train	Frankfurt/Oder	Brest-Litovsk
6	50; empty shuttle-train	Frankfurt/Oder	Brest-Litovsk
8	50 with soldiers	Kuestrin	toward Cottbus
4. Troop trains which came from Frankfurt/Oder and went toward Cottbus via Muellrose between 5 and 9 October included a train of 55 F on 5 October, a second train of 56 B on 6 October, and a third train of 55 B and a fourth train of 53 B on 9 October. All trains carried soldiers.
5. On 7 October, a troop train of 42 F with soldiers from Frankfurt/Oder was observed going toward Guben.
6. Between 5 and 8 October, the number of cars which were to be made available in the Magdeburg railroad district was fairly high and far above the average. 25X1

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Boxcars and flatcars to be made available numbered 1,100 on 5 October; 1,300 on 6 October; 600 on 7 October; and 200 on 8 October. On and after 9 October, the military traffic was again normal. 3

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7. Troop trains [redacted] observed between 5 and 9 October included:

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Date in October	Composition of Troop Trains	From	To
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5	4 CB, 1 B, 28 F with 10 medium AT guns and vehicles [redacted]	Gardelegen	Schwerin
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	4 CB, 1 B, 38 F with 22 medium AT guns and vehicles	Gardelegen	Schwerin
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	3 CB, 2 B, 22 SSY with T-34 tanks [redacted]	Moehringen	Farchim
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	3 CB, 2 B, 21 SSY with T-34 tanks [redacted]	Vinzelberg	Perleberg
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	4 CB, 1 B, 28 SSY with 28 SP guns. [redacted]	Gardelegen	Guestrow
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	4 CB, 12 F, 34 SSY with 34 T-34 tanks [redacted]	Letzlingen	Guestrow
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	8 CB, 5 B, 37 F with 16 x 85-mm AA guns and vehicles	Meissen	Neubuckow
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	12 CB, 4 B, 42 F with 20 x 85-mm AA guns and vehicles [redacted]	Leisnig	Neubuckow
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6	9 CB, 1 B, 36 F with 16 x 85-mm AT guns and vehicles [redacted]	Mahlwinkel	Schwerin
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	9 CB, 1 B, 50 F with 24 x 85-mm AT guns and vehicles	Mahlwinkel	Schwerin
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	8 CB, 2 B, 39 SSY with T-34 tanks [redacted]	Vinzelberg	Perleberg	85943
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Date in October	Composition of Troop Trains	From	To	
	12 CB, 12 F, 34 SSY with 20 T-34 tanks	Moehringen	Perleberg	25X1
	[redacted]			25X1
	8 CB, 2 B, 37 F	Letzlingen	Guestrow	
	3 CB, 2 B, 26 F	Vinzelberg	Ludwigslust	
7	2 CB, 1 B, 17 SSY	Moehringen	Parchim	
	8 CE, 2 F, 15 F with 24 medium AT guns, vehicles	Tangermuende	Bergen	25X1
	[redacted]			25X1
	prime movers			
	7 CB, 4 B, 29 SSY	Tangermuende	Rostock	
8	5 CE, 4 B, 37 SSY with T-34 tanks	Moehringen	Parchim	
	[redacted]			25X1
	11 CB, 3 B, 44 F	Moehringen	Parchim	
	3 CB, 4 B, 25 SSY with T-34 tanks	Moehringen	Parchim	25X1
	[redacted]			25X1
	5 CB, 1 B, 32 F with 16 x 85-mm AT guns, prime movers and vehicles	Jaevenitz	Techenthin	25X1
	[redacted]			25X1
9	8 CB, 5 B, 47 F	Dresden	Kroepelin	
	3 CB, 4 SSY with an artillery firing director	Kroepelin	Erfurt	

- 8. On 7 and 8 October, the Magdeburg-Schwerin railroad line was blocked for regular freight traffic. All regular freight trains were used as troop trains and carried tanks, SP guns and medium AT guns. 3
- 9. On 7 and 8 October, 50 steel pontoons of the TMP type and 24 light AT guns were observed on the road from Stendal via Perleberg. 5

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- 1. [Redacted] Comment. The troop train probably carried a tank firing detail of the 6th Gds Mecz Div back to its home station. 25X1
- 2. [Redacted] Comment. The two troop trains carried components of the 32d AAA Div which returned from maneuver of the Third Shock Army. Two additional troop trains went from Stendal to Frankfurt/Oder. [Redacted] 25X1
- 3. [Redacted] 25X1
- 4. [Redacted] Comment. The two troop trains are reported for the first time. For the troop train [Redacted] 25X1
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- 5. [Redacted] Comment. The observation indicates that components of the 18th Mecz Div probably returned by road to their home station. [Redacted] 25X1

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