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COUNTRY	East Germany	REPORT	
TOPIC	Grossenhain Airfield		25X1
EVALUATION		PLACE OBTAINED	
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REMARKS	This is UNEVALUATED Information.		

1. The following air activity and aircraft were observed at Grossenhain airfield between 5 and 18 October 1954:

5 to 8 October. No air activity was observed. Observation possibilities were limited.

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9 October. There was air activity between 1000 and 1200. At 1010, a MiG-15 or U-MiG-15 took off, made local flight and landed again at 1014. At 1012, one MiG-15 or U-MiG-15 towing an air sleeve took off, the aircraft made a local flight after which it dropped the air sleeve over the landing field at 1016 and subsequently made another local flight and landed. The air sleeve was estimated to be little longer than an aircraft and was fitted on a rope about 60 meters long. A semi-high-wing monoplane with engine landed at 1030 and took off again toward the northwest at 1130. At 1102, 2 MiG-15s or U-MiG-15s took off. The aircraft were not observed landing. At 1120, another aircraft towing an air sleeve practiced flying as described above. At 1145, a MiG-15 or U-MiG-15 took off, made two local flights and landed again at 1155.

10 October. At 1120, a MiG-15 or U-MiG-15 took off. Until 1900, 6 more take-offs were observed. Between 1900 and 2030, the searchlight at the field was in operation.

11 October. There was no air activity. Four MiG-15s or U-MiG-15s were parked in front of the large hangar in the eastern part of the field. At the same time 4 MiG-15s or U-MiG-15s, [redacted] were parked at the dispersal area of the alert flight at the southeastern end of the runway. About 1740, 6 MiG-15s or U-MiG-15s [redacted] were parked there. A tank truck was seen near the aircraft. Excavating work was under way at the previous dispersal area of the alert flight.

12 October. No air activity was observed.

13 October. At 1100, 1130, 1145, and 1200, a Yak-11 took off for a local flight. Between 1830 and 2000, the searchlight at the field was in operation.

14 October. Between 1030 and 1200, 8 Take-offs by MiG-15s or U-MiG-15s

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were seen. The aircraft made local flights. Between 1800 and 1930, the searchlight was in operation.

15 to 18 October. No air activity was observed.

18 October. About 1245, 4 MiG-15s or U-MiG-15s, [redacted] were parked at the new dispersal area of the alert flight at the southeastern end of the runway. No other aircraft were seen parked at the field.

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- 2. There were no changes in the status of the radio and radar installations at the field. About 1545 on 18 October, the radar set was in operation. There was no change in the status of the AA gun emplacement. Truck [redacted] was seen at the field.

Comment. Grossenbein airfield is occupied by two fighter regiments and a fighter division headquarters. Air activity observed was normal.

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