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1. The Soviets have shown particular interest in the development of germanium transistors at VEB Werk fuer Bauelemente der Nachrichtentechnik "Carl von Ossietzky" (formerly Dralowid) in Teltow. However, it appears that they do not want this interest to become conspicuous. As a result, they are not in direct touch with the Dresden development.
2. However, in early 1954, WTZ 1 (Central Office for Scientific-Technical Cooperation), of the State Planning Commission, requested the management of the Dralowid plant to prepare and submit a detailed report on transistor development, with all technical data and blueprints of all the equipment used. This was done, and copies of this report were forwarded to the Soviet authorities by the WTZ.
3. In October 1954, WTZ made a similar request of the Dralowid plant concerning the progress made since the last report was forwarded. It is assumed that this new report would also be forwarded to the Soviets.

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