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1. The Russians are said to plan to give notice of termination of the four-power agreement on Berlin. They will then propose new four-power negotiations, during which they will suggest making Berlin into a "free state". 25X1
2. Peter Florin of the SED Central Committee, in collaboration with members of the Soviet Control Commission, is alleged to have worked out, some three or four months ago, the concrete plans for the creation of the free state. The plans are said to provide for every detail; for instance:
 - a. There would be no rotation in the chairmanship of the Allied supervisory administration.
 - b. The free state should have its own uniform currency.
 - c. The free state would be completely isolated from East German territory, with access between Berlin and East Germany only by a very restricted number of crossing points.
 - d. The East German government would be moved to Leipzig.
 - e. Otto Nuschke would be the chief representative of East Germany in the free state administration.

3. Nuschke is still in Moscow and is not expected to return before 20 January 1955.

Comment: Parts of the above report have previously appeared in several European newspapers, on the basis of information of unknown reliability. 25X1

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