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REMARKS

This is UNEVALUATED Information

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1. On 17, 20, 21, 25 and 27 November 1954, no air activity was observed at Oranienburg airfield. Time of observation was about 2 hours per day. On 17 November, 3 Po-2s were parked in front of the hangar. On 29 November, a Po-2 made a short flight over the Weisse Stadt restricted area. The aircraft had apparently a plexiglass cockpit enclosure; two men were clearly seen in the cockpit. At noon, this aircraft was not seen at the field. The doors of the hangar were closed. 1 25X1
2. On the days of observation, the air force trucks were still seen west of building No 35 in the Weisse Stadt. The occupational strength was still estimated at 300 to 400 personnel who wore black-bordered blue epaulets. There was normal personnel traffic; no vehicular traffic was seen. 2 25X1
3. Between 17 November and 7 December, the field was daily reconnoitered during short periods. No air activity was observed. The doors of the hangars were always closed. Trucks  were seen between the field and Weisse Stadt. 1 25X1
4. At about 1200 on 6 December, billeting equipment was moved by truck from Hans Schemm Schule to the loading ramp at the field where it was unloaded and piled up. On 7 December, a train of 29 boxcars with an engine heading to the east and ready for departure was seen in front of the loading ramp. Another train of at least 10 boxcars was seen on the branch-off track. The billeting equipment which had been piled up at the loading ramp had been removed; it had probably been loaded. 3
5. On 28 November, there was no air activity at the field. The field was only guarded at the Annahof entrance and at the hangar which was occupied by biplanes. 1 25X1
6. The air unit stationed in the Weisse Stadt communicated with Werneuchen, Bernau and Eberswalde. Known officers said in the HO shop that some officers had been transferred to Oranienburg from Neuruppin airfield and an airfield in Mecklenburg. The air unit stationed at the Weisse Stadt had a strength  25X1

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of about 300 personnel. Commanding officer of the unit was Colonel Zukanov (fnu); supply officer was Major Koslov (fnu). 2

1. Comment. Some Po-2s are still stationed at Oranienburg airfield. In November 1954, a Po-2 with cockpit was also observed at the Trebbin airfield which is used by the sports and technics association. Motor vehicle                      was previously observed with the Second Gds Mecz Army; it was possibly newly assigned to the air force. 25X1
2. Comment. Connections between Oranienburg airfield and Werneuchen airfield which is occupied by bombers were repeatedly observed. A clothing depot of the GSFG is located at Bernau, a fuel depot of the Twenty-Fourth Air Army is located at Eberswalde (Eisenspalterei). Colonel Zukanov or Zukhanov was previously reported as commanding officer of the Weisse Stadt. Unit Koslov is believed to be the OATB of a flying unit. The transfer to Oranienburg of officers from Neuruppin appears credible. It is not known from which airfield in Mecklenburg officers were transferred to Oranienburg. Wittstock was once mentioned in this connection. 25X1
3. Comment. The construction battalion Unit Igoryev was quartered in Hans Schemm Schule. This unit possibly left the Weisse Stadt. 25X1

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