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The railroad bridge over the Bug River between Terespol and Brest is a steel girder structure which carries one track. Four rails are laid on the same ties in such a way that both standard and Soviet gauge trains may operate on the bridge. East of Malassewice, a Soviet and a standard gauge track run parallel to each other. A few hundred meters east of the Bug River, the two tracks converge and at the same distance west of the river, the tracks separate again.

Comment. The present report confirms previous information on the laying of a railroad track on the bridge over the Bug River between Terespol and Brest. The single-track status of the structure indicates that this bridge represents a bottleneck on the most important Soviet supply line from Moscow to Frankfurt/Oder via Minsk, Brest and Warsaw. This line is double-track in its entire length. It is technically feasible to combine a Soviet and a standard gauge track by laying four rails on ties which exceed the normal width.

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