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1. Air activity and aircraft observed at Werneuchen airfield:

Between 0930 and 1500 on 31 January 1955, a total of 39 twin-jet aircraft were observed at the field, including 7 in the southwestern corner, 26 in front of the hangars Nos 2 through 5, 3 east of hangar No 6 and 3 in the revetments on the northern edge of the field. Six of the 7 aircraft in the southwestern corner of the field were covered with tarpaulins. The uncovered plane had a lighter color than previously observed on twin-jet aircraft. It had a full-view cockpit.

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A truck towed the 3 Il-28s from the revetments at the northern edge of the field to the site in front of the hangars Nos 2 through 5.

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two planes had full-view cockpits and the following crews:

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- 1 man sitting in the cockpit and looking forward
- 1 man in the cockpit on upper side of fuselage, with view to the fore (only his head was visible).
- 1 man sitting in tail gunner's station, with view to the rear

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There was no air activity during the period of observation. 1

2. Radio and radar installations:

No change was observed on the radio installations east of the field, the PKW-45 DF station and single-mast radio installations with radio trucks. Two radio trucks were again parked south of the eastern end of the runway. One of these radio trucks had a mast, 7 to 8 meters high, with an egg-shaped device on top. This device was 60 to 70 cm high and about 25 cm in diameter. The mast of the second radio truck was about 6 meters high. It mounted an egg-shaped device which was slightly smaller than that of the other mast, namely about 40 cm high and about 15 cm in diameter. A one-axle trailer, presumably a generator, was seen next to the radio trucks. No cable connections were seen. The Kniferst-type and Fishnet-type radar sets were still observed at their previous locations. The model AA 4 NK 3 radar set was still seen south of revetment No 2. 2

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3. AA

Seven AA guns, presumably medium guns with muzzle brakes, were seen in the

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AA gun emplacement in the northwestern corner of the field. The following device was dug in approximately in the middle of the AA gun emplacement: A rotatable tube, about 4 meters long and 25 cm in diameter, was fitted on a solid pedestal. The device was operated by a man for whom a seat, presumably a part of the set was provided. About 60 men trained with the AA guns in the emplacement. The AA gun emplacement south of the southern railway was occupied by at least 4 x 37-mm AA guns which were used for firing practices with cartridges.

4. Construction work in the fuel dump in the northwestern section of the field had presumably been discontinued. Heaps of earth were seen there and containers were lying on the ground. 4

5. Vehicular traffic included trucks [redacted] and van-like truck [redacted]

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1. Comment. Although only 39 aircraft were seen, it is believed that Wernschoen airfield is still occupied by 2 bomber regiments equipped with Il-28s. Additional aircraft were probably parked in the hangars. Furthermore, it is assumed that some Il-28s have special missions. In late January 1955, Il-28s from Wittstock were involved in army exercises and also engaged in bombing over the Schweinrich troop training grounds. [redacted]

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2. Comment. The statements on the radio and radar installations have been confirmed. The purpose of the mast with an egg-shaped device on top is not known.

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3. Comment. The occupation of the AA gun emplacement has previously been reported with minor differences. It is believed that the AA protection at Wernschoen airfield consists of 1 battery of 76-mm guns, 2 batteries of 37-mm guns and some four-barreled guns. The description of the unidentified device in the northwestern AA gun emplacement indicates that it is a model Em 4m R stereoscopic range finder which is used in connection with the model Puase-3 AA gun director.

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4. Comment. [redacted] excavation work was observed in the fuel dump in early December 1954. The fuel dump was presumably to be enlarged to the east. Two railroad tanks were then seen lying on the ground. The present report indicates that work was apparently discontinued.

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