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COUNTRY	East Germany		
TOPIC	Detraining of Tanks in Satz Korn; Transport Movements in the area of Sperenberg, Lückenwalde and Forst Zinna		25X1
EVALUATION		PLACE OBTAINED	25X1
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REFERENCES			
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REMARKS			
This is UNEVALUATED Information			
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1. On 8 February 1955, at about 1925, train [ ] arrived at Satz Korn railroad station from Brest Litovsk. Fifteen high-ranking officers, some of whom belonged to units from Krampnitz, had already come to the station at about 1630. The following troops and materiel was unloaded between 2015 and 0315:
  - 20 tanks (T-54 ?)
  - 1 boxcarload of batteries and accessories
  - escorting personnel from two boxcars

The railroad station was heavily cordoned off. The detraining detail was furnished by troops from the Kavallerie Schule (2161) in Krampnitz. The escorting crew installed batteries and other unidentified accessories from the boxcars and left toward Krampnitz. The superstructure of the tanks was covered with canvas. 1
2. At 0720 on 10 February, 6 to 8 boxcars and about 30 to 35 flatcars were loaded at the Forst-Zinna railroad station. Materiel entrained included 6 field howitzers of about 100 mm, 4 to 7 AT guns of not more than 75 mm and about 15 to 20 trucks.
3. Assemblies of rolling stock was observed in the following towns:
  - a. Jueterbog railroad station: 20 flatcars, 5 boxcars for troops
  - b. Forst Zinna railroad station: 22 flatcars and 4 boxcars for troops
  - c. Luckenwalde railroad station: 18 RRY-type cars and 20 flatcars. 2
4. Daily between 1900 and 2100 during the period from 31 January to 7 February 1955, troops from the Artillerie Kaserne (3281) in Kummerdorf engaged in night practices involving 400 to 500 men. The troops practiced attacking of positions by means of numerous green very signal lights. [ ]  
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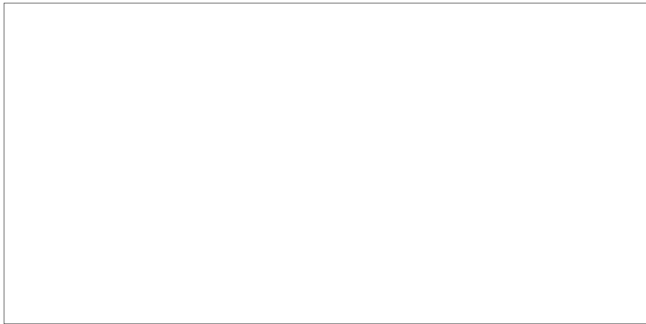
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5. Between 0730 and 0815 on 31 January, a column consisting of about 70 trucks with about 50 ~~37~~-mm AA guns, 2 ambulances, 4 repair shop trucks and about 3 radio trucks drove toward Luckenwalde from the direction of Spereberz. Each of the trucks carried about 10 men and ammunition boxes.

1. Comment. The recent arrival of tanks on trains exceeding the scheduled load is known from official records. In addition to shipments bound for Satzborn, the following were noticed:

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Two shipments (7th Gds Tank Div ) to Meinsdorf  
1 shipment (9th Tank Div) to Roederau and  
1 shipment (6th Gds Tank Div) to Wittenberg.

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The 10th Gds Tank Div in the Kavallerie Schule (2161) in Krampnitz is now believed to have a total of about 30 tanks of the new type (T-54 ?)

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2. Comment. Probably a shipment and assembly of rolling stock for the 1st Mecz Div in connection with the termination of artillery firing in Jueterbog-Forst Zinna.

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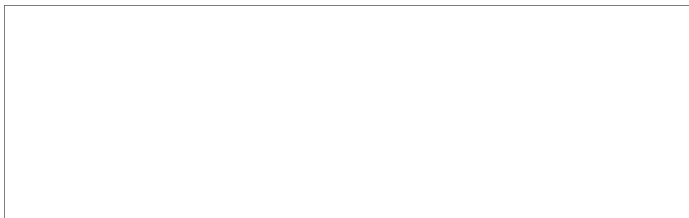
3. Comment. The bulk of the 56th Motor Trans Regt of the GSFG is housed in the Artillerie Kaserne (3281) in Kummersdorf. Most of the motor vehicle belong to the GSFG in Kummersdorf. Night practices were also conducted in other posts during the same period.

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4. Comment. It is believed that the units observed were elements of the 2d Gds AAA Div en route to the Jueterbog-Forst Zinna troop training grounds where firing practices by light AAA units have been observed since mid-January 1955.

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