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TOPIC Border Crossing Rail Traffic at Frankfurt/Oder 25X1

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This is UNEVALUATED Information

CB - converted boxcar
B - boxcar
RRym - heavy-duty flatcar 25X1

1. On 23 February 1955, a troop train of 1 CB, 1 B, 21 RRym from Frankfurt/Oder to Altruppin was identified [redacted] The train carried 1,430 tons of military goods which exceeded the scheduled load [redacted]

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2. [redacted] a troop train of 43 axles, weighing 370 tons, went from Frankfurt/Oder to Altengrabow on 27 February. 2

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3. Troop trains from Brest Litovsk [redacted] between 24 February and 1 March included:

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| <u>Date</u> | <u>Number of Cars</u> | <u>Receiving Station</u> |
|-------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 24 February | 2 CB, 28 RRym with tanks | Altruppin |
| 25 February | 3 RRym with tanks | Fuerstenwalde |
| 1 March | 3 CB, 15 RRym | Meinsdorf |

Referring to the troop train on 25 February, [redacted] tanks had again arrived and the experts for [redacted] scheduled load had to be informed. [redacted] the load extended only the width by 125 mm on each side. 25X1

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4. Prior to 25 February, the volume of tank cars which were dispatched to Brest Litovsk was still low. Since Colonel Revyuk (fnu) asked for a more speedy handing over of tank cars on 25 February, the tank cars dispatched daily increased up to 50 cars. Difficulties in making available tank cars about 10 days earlier resulted in a message by Colonel Revyuk (fnu) which contained an order to immediately inform Secretary of State Szczepecki who was apparently responsible. 5 25X1

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1. [redacted] Comment. The two troop trains carried tanks of the new T-54 type. [redacted] belong to the [redacted] as been used for transportation of these tanks since the beginning of [redacted] February 1955. The tanks are probably consigned to the 12th Gds Tk D [redacted] and Gds Mecz Army. 25X1

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In early November 1954, the first model tanks had been consigned to the above division.

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2. [redacted] Comment. [redacted] receiving station and weight of load indicate that the train carried ammunition from the USSR to the Soviet ammunition depot at Altengrabow.

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3. [redacted] Comment. [redacted] scheduled load totals 130 mm, that is only 65 mm on [redacted] scheduled load I for main lines permits a loading width up to 3,150 mm, while the [redacted] measurement of the new tank includes a width of 3,279 mm. The Hq 7th Gds Mezc Div is stationed at Fuerstenwalde.

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5. [redacted] Comment. The dispatching of 1,040 tank cars for fuel to the east as ordered by the Soviets [redacted] Until 15 February 1955, however, only 200 tank cars had been dispatched. [redacted] Colonel Revyuk (fnu) is chief of the Soviet transportation control Headquarters (Voso) at the Berlin railroad district headquarters. Szczepecki is listed as Secretary of State in the Verkehrsministerium (Ministry of Transport).

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