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The following is a summary of information on Soviet and East German military activities [REDACTED]

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A. Soviet Activities

1. General:

Firing practices, especially with tanks, continued during the first half of April. The arrival of T-54 tanks is continuing.

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2. Fourth Guards Mechanized Army:

Elements of the 25th Tank Division were transferred from Oranienburg to Camp Vogelsang between 8 and 11 April. In addition, two shipments from Prenzlau arrived at Vogelsang on 10 April.

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3. Third Shock Army:

Elements of the Mechanized Division were transferred from Perleberg to Camp Planken in Letzling Heath between 20 and 25 April. The Wittstock airfield training grounds is to be occupied by air force personnel.

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4. Fourth Artillery Corps:

Several generals inspected units of the 6th Artillery Division in Rathenow between 1 and 5 April. Elements of the 32nd AAA Division were transferred in six shipments from their posts to the Baruth-Justerbog area between 31 March and 4 April.

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5. Tank Shipments:

Three shipments with 22 T-54 each were dispatched from Brest Litovsk to East Germany: one to RBD Cottbus [REDACTED] on 5 April, one to Satz Korn [REDACTED] on 7 April and one to RBD Greifswald on 9 April.

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B. KVP Recruiting and Discharges:

1. The discharges previously scheduled for the period of 5 to 20 May were already beginning in early April. The assignment of recruits to units was taking place simultaneously. As a result of these measures, training activity was considerably reduced after 1 April.
2. Mechanized Division Potsdam has apparently received priority in the assignment of replacements. On 15 April 100 students of the Motor Transport Officers' School in Potsdam were assigned to units. An equal number of students are expected as replacements.

3.  the introduction of universal military service is not scheduled to take place in the near future. With the support of the SED, the KVP will be increased by 65,000 men in the course of 1955.

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