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1. No Soviet troop withdrawals or preparations for withdrawals from Baden bei Wien have been noted. Between 27 and 29 April 1955, large quantities of coal were delivered to a Soviet-requisitioned hotel in Baden. A Soviet official in Baden is reported to have stated that Soviet dependents will remain at least until the start of the summer school vacations in order to insure educational continuity for some 200 Soviet children attending school in Baden.
2. On or about 25 April 1955, a Soviet engineer battalion was moved from Klosterneuburg to the Soviet staging area at Goepritz. Before their departure from Klosterneuburg, the soldiers let it be known that they were to be in charge of packing, crating and transportation for all Soviet troops scheduled to leave Austria. They expected, therefore, to remain in Goepritz until all troops have departed.
3. The Soviets have halted construction work on the Strasshof-Deutsch Wagram airfield. A Vienna firm, presumably a USIA enterprise, had already begun with the construction of a new concrete runway, but was told shortly before 10 April to stop all work.

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