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1. The following shipments were observed at Frankfurt/Oder between 9 and 14 May 1955:

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B - boxcar F - flatcar G - gondola car T - tank car

Date in May	Number and Type of Cars	Load	From	To	
9	56 G	coal	Brest Litovsk	Frankfurt/Oder	
	45 T	undetermined	Frankfurt/Oder	Brest Litovsk	1
	30 B	"	"	"	
	56 B	"	Brest Litovsk	Frankfurt/Oder	2
10	56 G	empty	Frankfurt/Oder	Brest Litovsk	
	56 G	iron ore	Brest Litovsk	Ziltendorf	3
	56 G	"	"	"	
	45 T	empty	"	Frankfurt/Oder	
	56 B	undetermined	Frankfurt/Oder	Brest Litovsk	
11	55 B	"	Brest Litovsk	Frankfurt/Oder	2
	56 G	coke and iron ore	"	Ziltendorf	3
	56 G	empty	Frankfurt/Oder	Brest Litovsk	3
	56 G	iron ore	Brest Litovsk	Ziltendorf	
	56 G	empty	Frankfurt/Oder	Brest Litovsk	
	56 G	iron ore	Brest Litovsk	Ziltendorf	
	12	56 G	"	"	"
56 G		empty	Frankfurt/Oder	Brest Litovsk	
46 B		uranium ore	"	"	4
13	56 B	undetermined	Brest Litovsk	Frankfurt/Oder	2
	56 B	"	"	"	
	46 B	uranium ore	Frankfurt/Oder	Brest Litovsk	
	56 F	crates	"	"	

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14	1 shipment	56 used 3-ton trucks	Frankfurt/Oder	Brest Litovsk	5
	56 G	empty	"	"	
	55 F	crates and iron parts	"	"	
	46 B	uranium ore	"	"	4
	1 shipment	54 armored personnel carriers	Brest Litovsk	Frankfurt/Oder marshaling yard	6

2. The following shipments were observed passing through Frankfurt/Oder between 10 and 18 May:

Date in May	Number and Type of Cars	Load	From	To	
10	20 B	grain	Frankfurt/Oder border	Frankfurt/Oder DSU	1
	35 G	iron ore	"	Ziltendorf	3
	20 G	"	"	Unterwellenborn	
	22 B	cotton	"	Riesa	
	16 B	"	"	Torgau	
	12 B	no [redacted] me [redacted]	"	Berlin	
	14 F	iron	"	Wiederitsch	
	16 F	"	"	Leipzig	
	16 F	"	"	Magdeburg	
	10 B	textiles	Plauen	Brest Litovsk	
	10 T	paraldehyde	Merseburg	"	1
	24 F	iron constructions	Wiederitsch	"	
11	75 G	iron ore	Frankfurt/Oder border	Ziltendorf	3
	15 G	"	"	Unterwellenborn	
	20 B	grain, peanuts	"	Frankfurt/Oder DSU	2
	12 F	iron	"	Dresden	
	12 F	"	"	Koethen	
	18 G	coal	"	Piesteritz	
	20 T	fuel	Grosskorbetha	Brest Litovsk	1
	10 G	cables	Berlin-Lichtenberg	"	
	12 F	machinery	Drewitz	"	
	6 B	printing	Dreiwerden	"	
	6 B	furniture	Liebenwerda	"	
12	22 B	ammunition	Frankfurt/Oder	Altengrabow	7
	30 B	grain, peanuts	" border	Frankfurt/Oder DSU	2
	20 B	"	"	Fuerstenberg	2
	30 B	"	"	Magdeburg	2
	49 T	orude oil	"	Krumpa	8
	24 F	machinery and machinery parts	Magdeburg	Brest Litovsk	
	10 F	crane parts	Eberswalde	"	
	14 F	machinery	Erfurt	"	
13	20 B	grain	Frankfurt/Oder	Magdeburg	2
	18 B	"	border	"	
	18 B	"	"	Erfurt	2
	12 G	paper wood	"	Pirna	

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15	10 G	paper wood	Frankfurt/Oder border	Merseburg	
	10 G	sheet metal	"	Stralsund	
	24 G	pig iron	"	Riesa	
	20 F	machinery and machinery parts	Magdeburg	Brest Litovsk	
	22 F	iron consturction	Leipzig	"	
	18 F	"	Ichtershausen	"	
		and boilers			
	12 F	machinery	Chemnitz	"	
14	39 B	ammunition	Frankfurt/Oder border	Torgau	7
	20 B	grain	"	Frankfurt/Oder DSU	2
	20 B	metal	"	Berlin	
	36 B	cotton	"	Riesa	
	20 B	"	"	Torgau	
	12 F	iron	"	Halle	
	30 T	metal	"	Ruhland	8
	30 G	iron ore	"	Ziltendorf	3
	15 F	iron	"	Dresden	
	20 F	iron consturctions	Wiederitsch	Brest Litovsk	
	12 F	machinery	Dresden	"	
	8 F	"	Goerlitz	"	
	8 B	screws	Finsterwalde	"	
	8 G	cables	Berlin-Rummelsburg	"	
	10 T	paraldehyde	Merseburg	"	1
15	20 B	grain	Frankfurt/Oder border	Frankfurt/Oder DSU	2
	10 B	cotton	"	"	
	30 G	iron ore	"	Ziltendorf	3
	20 G	"	"	Unterwellenborn	
	20 F	iron	"	Wiederitsch	
	12 F	"	"	Erfurt	
	10 F	"	"	Koethen	
	30 T	metal	"	Ruhland	8
	24 F	machinery and machinery parts	Magdeburg	Brest Litovsk	
	20 F	iron constructions	Leipzig	"	
	10 T6	gasoline	Grosskorbetha	"	1
17	1 B	undetermined	Fuerstenwalde-Sued	Dresden	25X1
	4 B	"	"	Fuerstenberg	25X1
	6 B	"	"	Wittenberg	25X1
	4 B	"	"	Finsterwalde	9
	3 B	"	Frankfurt/Oder	Ivanov	9
	20 B	grain, peanuts	"	ration supply depot Kalinin	2
	30 G	coke	"	Frankfurt/Oder DSU	3
	15 G	"	"	Ziltendorf	
	20	machinery and machinery parts	Magdeburg	Eisleben	
				Brest Litovsk	

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17	24 F	iron constructions	Wiederitsch	Brest Litovsk	
	12 F	machinery	Erfurt	"	
	8 G	cables	Berlin-Rummels- burg	"	
	10 B	Bellwolle (rayon)	Wolfen	"	
18	10 B	cotton	Frankfurt/Oder border	Frankfurt/Oder DSU	
	60 G	iron ore	"	Ziltendorf	3
	20 G	pig iron	"	Thale	
	20 G	"	"	Hennigsdorf	
	20 G	"	"	Groeditz	
	10 F	sheet metal	"	Rostock	
	10 B	printed material	Leipzig	Brest Litovsk	
	6 B	[REDACTED]	Liebenwerda	"	
	12 F	[REDACTED]	Schkeuditz	"	
	10 F	"	Schmalkalden	"	
	10 F	"	Dessau	"	
	12 F	"	Dresden	"	
	8 F	"	Aue	"	

3. The following shipments passed through the Muellrose railroad station between 8 and 11 May: 25X1

E - express train coach
R - refrigerator car

Date in May	Number and Type of Cars	Load	From	To	
8	10 E	new	Halle-Sued	Brest Litovsk	10
	3 F	wheel sets		"	
	23 R		Dessau	"	10
	7 F	wheel sets		"	
	40 B	uranium ore	direction of Cottbus	"	4
11	50 R	empty	direction of Frankfurt/Oder	Rumania	

4. The following shipments from Frankfurt/Oder-border were observed at the Oranienburg railroad station on 10 and 13 May: 25X1

Date in May	Number and Type of Cars	Load	From	To	
10	12 F	2 fuel containers [REDACTED] 1 [REDACTED] capacity 2 fuel containers about 3,000 to 500 liters capacity	Frankfurt/Oder border	spur track to former concentration camp Sachsenhausen	11
13	1 B, 14 F 14 T	undetermined 43 tons each	"	Eden	

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5. [redacted] shipments [redacted] between [redacted] 12 and 14 May:

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Date in May	Number and Type of Cars	Load	From	To
12	22 F	exceeding standard measurements, 700 tons	Frankfurt/Oder	Forst Zinna
	5 of these cars were forwarded to Meinsdorf on 13 May			
	1 B, 14 F 80 axles	undetermined	Niedergoersdorf	Forst Zinna
13	1 B, 22 F	700 tons	Wildpark	Frankfurt/Oder
14	1 B, 14 F	undetermined	Jueterbog-Altes Lager	Brest Litovsk

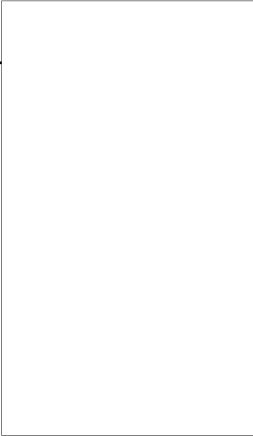


6. [redacted] shipments [redacted] between [redacted] 13 and 18 May:

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C/B converted boxcar
SSy heavy-duty flatcar

Date in May	Composition of Train	From	To
13	1 CB, 13 B, 29 F	Jueterbog-Altes Lager	Brest Litovsk
	1 CB, 30 F	Wildpark	Frankfurt/Oder
14	3 CB, 7 B, 12 F	Jueterbog-Altes Lager	Brest Litovsk
18	1 CB, 13 B, 10 SSy	Mockrehna	Jueterbog-Altes Lager
	1 CB, 10 SSy, 13 B with ammunition	10 of the boxcars forwarded to Finow	
	1 CB, 1 B, 16 SSy	Frankfurt/Oder	Forst Zinna



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7. Between 3 and 7 May [redacted]

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- a. The dispatch of empty tank cars to the East continued. A daily average of 50 cars were dispatched.¹
- b. Fifty to ninety tank cars located with crude oil daily arrived at Frankfurt/Oder and were forwarded from there to Krumpa, Merseburg, and Magdeburg.⁸
- c. On 7 May, the dispatch of empty grain shuttle trains were abruptly discontinued. Grain shuttle trains were being prepared for dispatch in RBD Berlin when the order for discontinuation of the operation arrived. Part of the cars which had already been equipped were used for intra-zonal grain shipments, the equipment of the remaining cars was removed.²

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- 8. [Redacted] the following shipments were dispatched from Brest Litovsk on 9 May:
 - 2 CB, 22 F to Forst Zinna [Redacted]
 - 2 CB, 12 F to Finowfurth [Redacted]
- 1. [Redacted] Comment. Deliveries from East German hydrogenations plants to the USSR and empty tank cars returned from the USSR.
- 2. [Redacted] Comment. Grain imports from the USSR via Frankfurt/Oder. The ~~discontinuation~~ discontinuation of the grain shuttle program is reported for the first time (paragraph 7c).
- 3. [Redacted] Comment. Raw material deliveries to the Eisenhuettenkombinat.Ost (Foundry Combine East) at Fuerstenberg/Oder which is served by the Ziltendorf railroad station.
- 4. [Redacted]
- 5. [Redacted] Comment. These shipments were connected with the motor vehicle exchange program.
- 6. [Redacted] Comment. Frankfurt/Oder was probably ~~for~~ for this shipment, the consignee of which cannot be determined.
- 7. [Redacted] Comment. Ammunition supplies for known Soviet ~~units.~~ units.
- 8. [Redacted] Comment. Continuation of East German hydrogenation plant supplies from Austria.
- 9. [Redacted] Comment. [Redacted] clothing depot of the First Gds Mecz Army in Dresden; [Redacted] clothing depot of the Second Gds Mecz Army at Fuerstenberg; [Redacted] engineer equipment park of the GSFG at Fuerstenwalde; ration supply depot Kalinin is the ration supply depot of the GSFG at Frankfurt/Oder.
- 10. [Redacted] Comment. Export deliveries from East German railroad cars factories to the USSR. The Soviet-gauge wheel sets carried along will be used on the new cars in the USSR.
- 11. [Redacted] Comment. The fuel containers dispatched to Sachsenhausen were probably consigned to the KVP depot which is being constructed there. The shipment to Eden consisted of fuel for jet engines and was consigned to the bomber regiment stationed there.
- 12. [Redacted] Comment. This shipment of new type tanks was reported previously but with only 16 cars. [Redacted]
- 13. [Redacted] Comment. This shipment was reported previously [Redacted]

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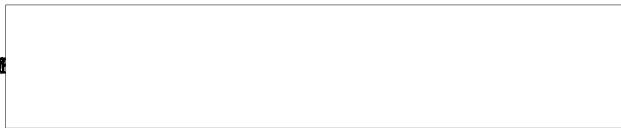
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14. Comment. Probably aircraft crates which were returned to the USSR.



15. Comment. Intra-zonal shipment from the ammunition depot at Mockrehna.

16. Comment. This shipment is possibly identical with a shipment of T-54 tanks on 17 May.

17. Comment. Continuation of the dispatch of empty tank cars for the shipment of jet engine fuel from the USSR for units of the Twenty-Fourth Air Army.

18. Comment. This shipment was reported previously.

19. Comment. This shipment was reported previously.

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The shipment consisted probably of MiG-17s in Eberswalde-Finow, MiG-17s were observed there for the first time on 11 May.

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