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1.	Class	Type	Date	Time	Harbor	Birth	Remarks	25X1	25X1	25X1
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1.	3 speed boats	MCO	20 April	1500	Swinemuende	harbor basin of Osternot-hafen				25X1
	5 drifters	type of drifters built in East Germany	20 April	1500	Swinemuende	first third of former destroyer pier	(Uniformed Soviet soldiers were aboard all drifters. No military activity was observed. No sentries were in front of the vessels. The drifters flew merchant flag and had no armament. They had a gray coat of paint which appeared to be new.)			25X1
	submarine chasers	Kronstadt	20 April	1500	Swinemuende	100 meters off the drifters at the destroyer pier	A detail of sailors had fallen in on the pier in front of the vessel; they were blue overalls and no caps and appeared to be engaged in athletics. Six depth charges were lying stacked on each side of the stern of vessel			25X1
	Soviet 500-ton motor coaster, 1 open barge of approximately 100 tons, 1 gray-painted naval tug		25 April	1800	Swinemuende	pier at the former mine depot on the Mellin-fahrt	Returning from Stettin, ship passed the quay of the former mine depot at slow speed since a motor coaster, a barge and a naval tug were beached there. Only two of the former cranes were still at the mine depot. The third crane was wrecked and no longer used. A torpedo hung in one of the cranes. Salvage workers were engaged in clearing up on the quay near the three vessels. None of them was occupied with the torpedo in the crane.			25X1

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work with the torpedo was stopped as long as his ship was sighted. Therefore it could not be determined whether the torpedo had arrived by one of the vessels or was to be loaded onto one of them. A truck was parked on the quay.

11 speed boats	ELCO	25 April	1320	Swinemuende	harbor basin of Osternothafen
12 speed boats	ELCO	2 May	1230	Swinemuende	Osternothafen
mine sweepers	T 301 (?)	2 May	1230	Swinemuende	at the beginning of the destroyer pier

The vessels were berthed in two groups each of 4 and one group of 3 speed boats. No vessels were berthed at the destroyer pier. The 3 vessels of the Kronstadt class left harbor, went northward and appeared to go to Sassnitz.

Berthed in three groups.

Some soldiers were seen aboard. No training activity was observed.

At 1200 on 3 May, the same naval vessels were seen at the destroyer pier, and in the harbor basin of Osternothafen as had been seen on 2 May.

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	submarine chasers	Kronstadt	20 April	1500	Swinemuende	100 meters off pier at the destroyer pier	A detail of sailors had fallen in on the pier in front of the vessels; they were busy with coversalls and no caps and appeared to be engaged in athletics. Six death charges were being racked on each side of the stern of vessel [redacted]	25X1
	Soviet 600-ton motor coaster, 1 open barge of approximately 100 tons, 1 gray-painted naval tug	-	25 April	1800	Swinemuende	pier at the former mine depot on the Mollin-fahrt	Returning from Stettin, [redacted] ship passed the quay of the former mine depot at 1800 since a motor coaster, a barge and a naval tug were berthed there. Only two of the former cranes were still at the mine depot. The third crane was wrecked and no longer used. Torpedo hunt in one of the cranes. Twelve workers were engaged in cleaning up on the quay near the three vessels. None of them was occupied with the torpedo in the crane.	25X1

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