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COUNTRY East Germany/USSR

REPORT [Redacted]

SUBJECT Progress Works, Berlin-Oberschoeneweide:
1. Production of Hubs for GAZ 69
2. Soviet Personnel

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1. [Redacted] front wheel hub of the Soviet military vehicle GAZ 69 [Redacted] previously made of the metal GTS 38 (Guss Temper Schwarz)¹, is in future to be strengthened by substituting the metal GTS 38 for GGG, a ball graphite.

2. [Redacted] 25,000 of these hubs are to be made at the Progress Works, Berlin - Oberschoeneweide.

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3. The GAZ 69 is to be fitted with an observation dome in the roof of the driver's compartment. This dome is to be made of plexiglass, prototypes of which have been made and approved at the Works. The GAZ 69 is to be used as a command vehicle. The GAZ 69 is also used as an ambulance.

4. All Soviet officers assigned to the Progress Works will in future have had technical training in the USSR. Those at present at the Works with no technical training will shortly be replaced.

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Comment. As received. Literally, black tempered cast metal.

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