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report which consists of a sketch of the Fuerstenberg/Ravensbrueck area and an explanatory legend which identifies various Soviet installations located in the area and provides information from observations which were made on 16 August 1959.

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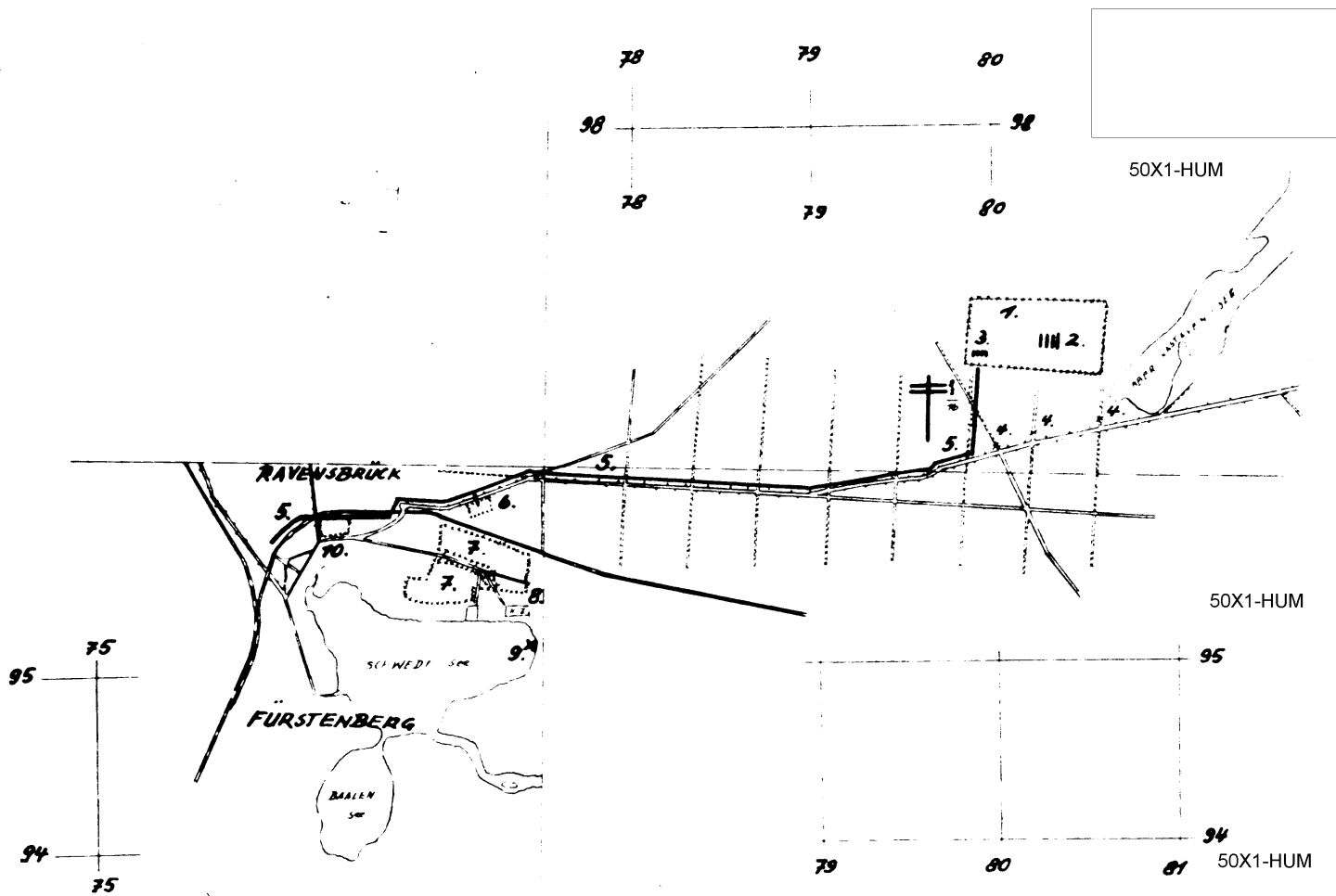
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EAST GERMANY/U.S.S.R.MILITARYBARRACKS AT RAVENSBRUCK.(16 - 17 August 59)

1. Attached at Appendix "A" is a sketch 50X1-HUM
 Germany 1 : 25000 maps) showing the position of barracks in the 50X1-HUM
RAVENSBRUCK area.
2. No. 1 on the sketch pinpoints the KASTAVENSEE Kaserne 50X1-HUM
some 200 - 300 m. N-W of the S end of the OBER KASTAVEN SEE and 500 - 600 m.
N of the RAVENSBRUCK-LYCHEN road. The length of the barrack area is some
700 - 800 m.
3. Approach roads (Nos. 4 on the sketch) are barred to all civilian
traffic by means of stop signs.
4. From the S edge of the OBERKASTAVENSEE 4 x 2-storeyed stone buildings
can be seen in the E half of the barracks (No. 2 on the sketch). In the S-W
corner of the barracks there are 4 - 5 family-type houses (No. 3 on the sketch).
5. From the S-W corner of the barracks a telephone line (No. 5 on the
sketch) runs out in a S direction as far as the road and then runs W along
the road to RAVENSBRUCK. The line has 16 wires running on 2 cross-traverses.
6. On 16 - 17 August, 1959, no activity was visible in the area of the
barracks apart from two trucks of Soviet troops in fatigue clothing.
7. In the triangle made by the RAVENSBRUCK - LYCHEN road and the railway
line to TEMPLIN there is a Soviet-occupied installation measuring some
150 x 150 m. (No. 6 on the sketch). It is surrounded by a high wooden fence
and no details of the interior are visible. From the telephone line (No. 5
on the sketch) leading to two lines branch off and enter installation 50X1-HUM
No. 6.
8. Immediately S of the railway line to TEMPLIN stands a Soviet
installation some 500 m. in length (No. 7 on the sketch). It reaches almost
as far as the SCHWEDT SEE. S-E of the installation stands RAVENSBRUCK
concentration camp memorial (No. 8 on the sketch).
9. At the position marked as No. 9 on the sketch a new memorial is
being built.
10. The road from RAVENSBRUCK to HIMMELPFORT runs into the barracks.
11. Another Soviet-occupied installation (No. 10 on the sketch) is 50X1-HUM
located in the middle of RAVENSBRUCK, approx. at MR 763 958.
12. Apart from 3 Soviet bowlers no military vehicles or equipment of
any kind was seen in RAVENSBRUCK on 16 - 17 August, 1959.

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