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I. Organization of Wismut A.G. Administration Headquarters

The Wismut A.G. Administration Headquarters in Chemnitz/Siegmarschoenau was managed by Soviet director Mazlov.

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The chief Soviet object leader, or manager, was directly responsible to this director. This object department managed the following uranium objects (Objekte) or shaft territories: Object Nos. 1, 10, and 12 in Johanngeorgenstadt (N 50-26, E 12-44), Object Nos. 2 and 11 in Annaberg (N 51-44, E 13-02), Object Nos. 3, 4, and 7 in Aue (N 50-35, E 12-42), Object No. 8 in Breitenbrunn (N 49-05, E 11-37), Object Nos. 14 and 33 in Oberschlema (N 50-36, E 12-39), Object No. 30 in Neustadt (N 52-52, E 12-26), and Object No. 90 in Gera (N 50-52, E 12-05).

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1. Versuchsobjekt, or Research Object, was directly responsible to the Soviet object manager. It consisted of one Soviet expedition manager who supervised three Soviet and two or three German chief topographers, three Soviet and two or three chief German geophysicists who in turn supervised twenty topographical and forty geophysical brigades; each brigade had three or four helpers (Gehilfen). The topographical brigades had seven or eight German female helpers, whereas the personnel of the geophysical brigades included about 20 per cent female helpers. Each brigade, topographical or geophysical, had one Soviet Army guard. The entire research expedition consisted of about 200 ore searchers (Schurfer)

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who did the actual drilling of the ground in search of uranium deposits.

2. Objektgewerkschaft, or Object Union Manager, together with the Shaft Union Manager was directly responsible to the Soviet and German Personnel Manager. The Object Union Manager's duty was to organize lectures for political indoctrination of the workers and to award people for perfect attendance and fulfillment of norms for all shafts. The Shaft Union Manager had a similar task to that of the Object Union Manager, but his was in a specific shaft.
3. Normabteilung, or Norm Department, set up norms for each shaft for periods of 10 days and one month. This department had one shaft norm-setter (Schachtnormierer) or norm regulator (Normierer), whose task was to see that norms were fulfilled, and one work surveyor (Aufmesser) who at the end of each day measured the actual distance of the tunnel dug by each hewer.
4. Planabteilung, or Planning Department, made provisional plans for periods of one month, one year, and five years for all shafts. The work norm technician, (Technische Arbeitsnormbearbeiter) was responsible for the effectiveness of the technical side, for example, machinery and work implements, in order to achieve the prescribed work-norm for each shaft. Directly responsible to him was a time keeper (Zeitnehmer) for workers.
5. Markscheidererei or Underground Surveying Department. One surveyor was assigned to each shaft giving instructions to the hewers as to the direction in which the excavation should proceed. The Specific Underground Surveying Department (Reviermarkscheidererei) was responsible for mapping certain portions of areas for the possible discovery of uranium deposits. Three to four helpers assisted the surveyor.
6. Geologische Abteilung or Geology Department. Each shaft was assigned one chief Soviet and three or four German geologists whose task was to determine the shaft-uranium layers with the help of geological collectors. German geologists further had to supervise ore exploitation and to determine the percentage-yield of the ore.
7. Kasse, or Treasury, had the financial responsibility of the object and had the task of getting money on pay days each month, the 13th and 28th, from the administration headquarters in Chemnitz Siegmar-Schonau and to transmit such funds to the respective paymasters of the shafts. The paymaster then assumed the responsibility of payment at the shafts. He was also responsible for balancing the invoices of creditor firms.
8. The Hauptbuchhaltung, or Main Bookkeeping Office, was responsible for computing the pay of the workers and employees, which was figured out by each shaft bookkeeper according to the number of workdays spent in the shaft. The shaft bookkeeper received this data from the shaft clerk and the roster keeper.
9. Schachte or shafts. Because each object was comprised of up to 18 shafts, it was necessary to have one Soviet and one German shaft manager. The German shaft manager was responsible for the overall run of the shaft with regard to both technical and administrative matters. He and the Soviet shaft manager also had the task of guiding the master miner (Steiger) and all other underground and above-the-ground personnel connected with the shaft. They had to be in constant contact with the workers, union Party leaders, and to present, explain, and represent the workers' needs and demands in connection with various objects.

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10. Materialverwaltung, or Supply Headquarters, was responsible for the equipping and administration of shafts and sections. It supplied all types of material in order to remedy underproduction caused by lack of supply. This supply headquarters was further responsible for maintaining a certain amount of material in reserve and for supervising the shipment of such reserves to various shafts.
11. The Fahrbereitschaft, or Motor Pool Section, was the technical section responsible for the vehicles of the various objects and had at its disposal a large motor pool, spare parts, and repair shops. It was also responsible for the transportation of material and workers to and from the place of work.
12. Objektparteileitung, or Political Object Leader's Department, was Wismut's Party unit of the SED. It consisted of two or three executive Party functionaries whose task was to influence the workers in the spirit along Soviet and German Party lines in order to strengthen the party; it also took radical steps against any subversive elements. These Party units were held together by the regional Party administration in Wismut A.G. Headquarters.
13. Sicherheitsinspektor, or Safety Inspector, was responsible to both German and Soviet courts for work accidents. With the shaft doctor, the safety inspector was responsible for the sanitation of workers, the first-aid station, and the sanitation of the shafts. One medic always accompanied the shaft doctor and the Safety Inspector on their inspecting tours.
14. Wismut Handel, or Business Department, was a trade organization managed by Wismut; it was not under the control of the government. Wismut had its own restaurants, stores, and other trade outlets where only Wismut employees were allowed to trade for Wismut coupons, textile and bonus coupons. This trade organization made its own deliveries of food and other articles to its various projects.

II. Personalities at Wismut A.G.

1. Androsov, Anatoliy, topographer in Ronnenburg

2. Androsova, Nina, female topographer in Ronnenburg (N 50-32. E 10-38),

3. Grishin (fnu), geologist; lived in Rudolfstadt

4. Jeronim (fnu), topographer

5. Lizetta (lnu) female geologist, lived in Ronnenburg

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6. Chichnov, Lova. topographer in Saalfeld (N 50-39, E 11-21)

7. Maria (lnu). female geologist, lived in Rudolfstadt

8. Massayev (fnu), engineer who worked in Sigmar-Schoenau

9. Massayeva (fnu), supply bookkeeper in Johanngeorgenstadt

10. Nikitina (fnu), female geologist

11. Nikolay (fnu), geologist

12. Nitschke, Alfred; cartographer

13. Ruttee, Gert, engineer

1. Comment: This is undoubtedly a garble for Maltsev, Major General Mikhail Mitrofanovich, who was replaced in fall 1951 by Aleksey Matveyevich Bogatov.

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3. Comment: The name is spelled phonetically, it may be Yeronim.

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