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CHARACTERISTICS DATA ON SOVIET ARMY "STETCHKIN"

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Introduction

This report covers source's information on a relatively new Soviet semi- and full-automatic pistol, Model "Stetchkin". 1 [redacted] 50X1

1. Issue

Source stated that this pistol had been issued to certain battalion officers at some unknown date [redacted] the 1st Mtrs Inf Bn. These included the battalion CO, the battalion chief of staff, and all company CO's in the battalion, making a total of six pistols thus issued. Source added that this number was prescribed in the battalion T/O & E. 50X1

2. Construction

According to source, construction of this pistol was almost identical with that of the Makarov with the exception of a device for full-automatic fire, an adjustable rear sight and the use of a wooden holster which could be attached to the pistol butt for use as a shoulder stock. Both weapons fired the same 9.2 mm ammunition. The Stetchkin was also twice the size of the Makarov.

3. Characteristics

Caliber	9.2 mm (as told [redacted] by a battalion officer) ² 50X1
Model	"Stetchkin"
Operation	Blowback
Type of Fire	Selective - three position selector; top-safety; central- semi-automatic; and lower-full-automatic. Selector is located on slide left rear.
Magazine	Box type; 20 round capacity. Magazine is housed in pistol grip; rounds are staggered in magazine.
Over-all length	Approx 11.81 inches
Barrel length	Approx 6.30 inches
Over-all height	Approx 5.91 inches
Muzzle velocity	Unk
Rate of fire	Unk
Rifling	Four with right hand twist
Trigger	Double-action
Weight	Unk
Basic Load	100 rounds in five magazines with the four spare magazines being carried in two leather magazine pouches.

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Holster Wooden, suspended by a shoulder strap, not carried on belt. Cleaning accessories were carried in holster.

Length Approx 14.57 inches.

Bore Source claimed that the bore was chromed.

Markings, stamped Year of manufacture and serial number were on the left side rear of receiver and the serial number is also under the barrell on the slide front. [redacted] the serial number of the weapon issued to the Bn CO was [redacted] and that it bore a stamp indicating the year of manufacture as "1954".

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Comment: This weapon, as described by source, appears to be similar in construction to the new Soviet 9.2 mm pistol, Model Makarov, which was brought by source together with eight rounds of 9.2 mm ammunition. A complete technical report on the Makarov is being prepared by the 81st Ord TIT. Several [redacted] have mentioned the existence of two new Soviet Army pistols but this is the first time either have been identified by name.

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