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## CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE GROUP INTELLIGENCE REPORT

COUNTRY Germany/Russian Zone

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SUBJECT

Reduction of Municipal Expenditures in Land

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Late January 1947

28 March 1947

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ORIGIN

Germany/Leipzig

SUPPLEMENT

1. Shortly before the end of January 1947 the SMA for Land Saxony issued an order for the Land Saxony government to out municipal expenditures. The measure is retrosotive to 1 January 1947.

2. In compliance with this order, the city of Leipzig has been ordered to reduce its budget by forty-two percent. This would mean the cessation of all building activities and a sharp reduction in personnel and relief payments. The city administration considers this reduction as endangering the very basis of its operations and is negotiating to obtain a revision of the order.

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Comment: The municipal income will remain the same as before, and a considerable surplus will result in the municipal treasury. Since any surplus is transferred to the SNA, source considers this order a new method of the Russians to obtain cash for the SMA.)

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