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SUBJECT New Dwarf Tanks

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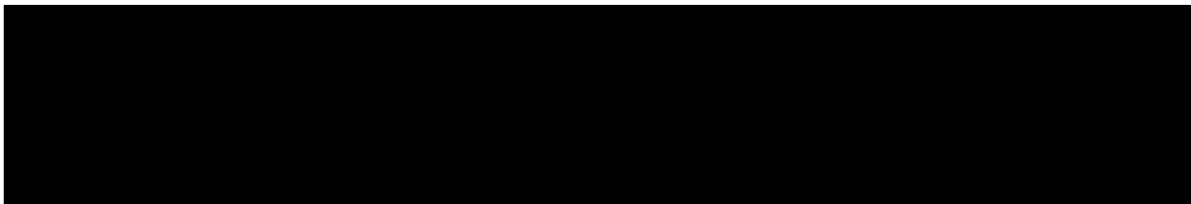
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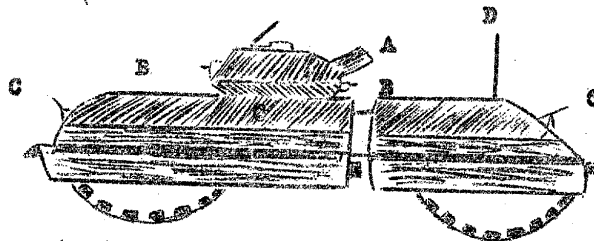
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SUPPLEMENT

ORIGIN
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1. On 10 February 1947, five new-type dwarf tanks were observed northeast of Kiev, near a helicopter factory. They were travelling at a speed of approximately 40 km per hour.
2. The tanks had five vision slits; two were in the front, one at each side, and one in the rear. The slits were very narrow and were protected by armored battens (similar to those on the Humber scout car). A small aerial was set above the glacis plate on the left edge. The entry hatch was in the cupola, and source believed that the tank had a crew of two.
3. New dwarf tanks were observed by another source in late December 1946. They were mounted on four tracks with individual suspension; the tracks appeared to be somewhat round and were apparently a modified version of the track suspension of the White half-track. The tanks were not remote-controlled, as one man, in the uniform of a Soviet tankman, was standing in the turret of one of the moving tanks.
4. The tank had an armored skirting covering the axles and upper half of the tracks; this skirting was broken to allow for flexibility in the "Harmonikazug" armored corridor.
5. The following is a sketch of the tank:



KEY:

- A: Possible grenade-thrower
- B: Machine guns
- C: Vision slits (two parallel on front glacis plate)
- D: Wireless aerial
- E: Harmonikazug

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 Comment: In view of the fact that the tank described has four tracks, a low amount of armament, and is probably fairly vulnerable in the armored corridor, it is possibly an armored caisson and tractor rather than a combat tank.

 described a new one-man tank, the BMT-46; it is 1.20 meters high, armed with a 37mm gun and one machine gun, and is to be used to open attack lanes for assault infantry.)

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