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1. [redacted]

2. Artillerie Kaserne:

a. An unusual amount of activity was observed in the barracks in the afternoon of 17 April 1950. It was the impression that the troops were preparing to leave. Trucks were loaded with equipment and baggage on 21 April 1950.

b. Several loaded trucks with 76.2-mm guns coupled to them stood in the barracks yard at 9 a.m. on 22 April 1950.

c. At the military loading ramp, five soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets unloaded potatoes from truck [redacted] Twelve boxcars and an unidentified number of heavy-duty flatcars stood along the loading ramp. Passenger cars [redacted] and trucks [redacted] towing guns, a charging unit and a field kitchen, moved to the military loading ramp:

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d. Trucks towing four guns, a charging unit and another field kitchen arrived at the military loading ramp from the direction of the Artillerie Kaserne at about 2 p.m. The materiel was entrained. The train, the boxcars of which were occupied by soldiers, was still at the ramp at 10 p.m. All boxcars were lighted.

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e. Twelve trucks  left the barracks at 10 a.m. on 23 April 1950, heading toward the military ramp. The trucks towed eight 76.2-mm guns, two charging units and two field kitchens. 

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Another truck convoy loaded with baggage, equipment, practice targets, tables, chairs, etc., left the barracks about 30 minutes later, also moving toward the military ramp. Two trucks were designated by little red flags as ammunition carriers.

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g. Only a few soldiers were seen in the barracks yard on 24 April 1950. The barracks buildings appeared to have been vacated (1).

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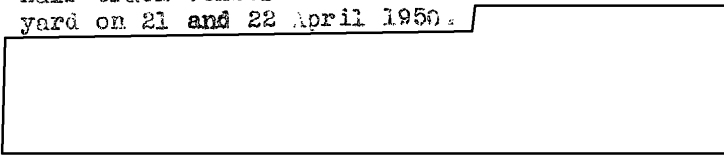
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3. Buelow Kaserne:

a. Occupied by about 600 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery and tank insignia. An armored reconnaissance car with radio installation and mounted twin-barreled machine gun was parked in front of the barracks on 12 April 1950.

b. Two 8-man groups with one 80-mm mortar each, two telephone sections with wire reels and telephone equipment and two 10-man sections with two 57-mm AT guns moved into the barracks area.


c. Six armored reconnaissance cars and three half-track vehicles were seen in the barracks yard on 21 and 22 April 1950.



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4. Richhorn Kaserne:

a. Northern section: The volume of transient personnel going on, or returning from, furlough decreased. Only one barracks building still housed troops of all branches of service. There was very little traffic between the railroad station and the barracks. No march columns from the railroad station to the barracks, or vice versa, were seen.

b. Southern section: Still occupied by about 600 troops wearing black-bordered crimson epaulets without branch-of-service insignia. Trucks  were seen:



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5. Hindenburg Kaserne:

a. Occupied by about 500 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets. No changes in the occupation of the barracks were observed up to 22 April 1950.

b. Three tanks [redacted] moved into the barracks on 12 April 1950. Tanks [redacted] moved in to the barracks on 16 April 1950. They were accompanied by trucks [redacted] and [redacted] each occupied by 20 to 25 soldiers with red-bordered black epaulets.

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c. Jeep [redacted] and trucks [redacted] were identified (2).

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6. Hofbauer Kaserne:

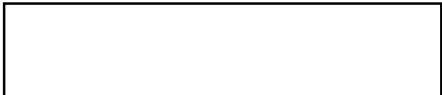
a. One barracks building was occupied by a unit of 100 to 120 men wearing red-bordered black epaulets without branch-of-service insignia. Two buildings were vacant. Another building was occupied by transient officers presumably going on leave.

b. Ten trucks and eight rail-type rocket launchers were seen in the barracks yard and at the garages on 17 April 1950.

c. Three rail-type rocket launchers with the motor vehicle numbers [redacted] were parked in the barracks yard on 21 April 1950.

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d. The following trucks operated between the barracks and the railroad station transporting officers who presumably went on or returned from leave:



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## 7. Horn Kaserne:

a. Preparations for departure were made on 14 April 1950. Numerous troops with red-bordered black epaulets and artillery insignia were seen there for the first time. Twenty tanks left the barracks toward the military loading ramp on 16 April 1950.

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b. Trucks shuttling between the barracks and the military ramp

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They were loaded with furniture, equipment and baggage.

c. Twenty tanks were lined up in the streets between the barracks and Westkreuz on 17 April 1950.

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Three tanks  
The tanks were entrained at the military loading ramp on the evening of 17 April 1950. Trucks were seen shuttling between the barracks and the railroad station.

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d. A unit of about 250 men wearing black-bordered crimson epaulets moved into the cantonment buildings (former returnees' camp) adjoining the barracks on 10 and 11 April 1950. The unit arrived by rail, allegedly from Brandenburg (N 53/4 23).

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## 8. Ziethen Kaserne:

a. Occupied by about 900 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with tank and artillery insignia. A tank was in front of the repair shop building on 12 April 1950. About 30 soldiers did service of the piece drill with three 76.2-mm guns in front of the barracks area.

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b. Soldiers burned paper trash at the field beyond the barracks on 13 April 1950. Documents [redacted]

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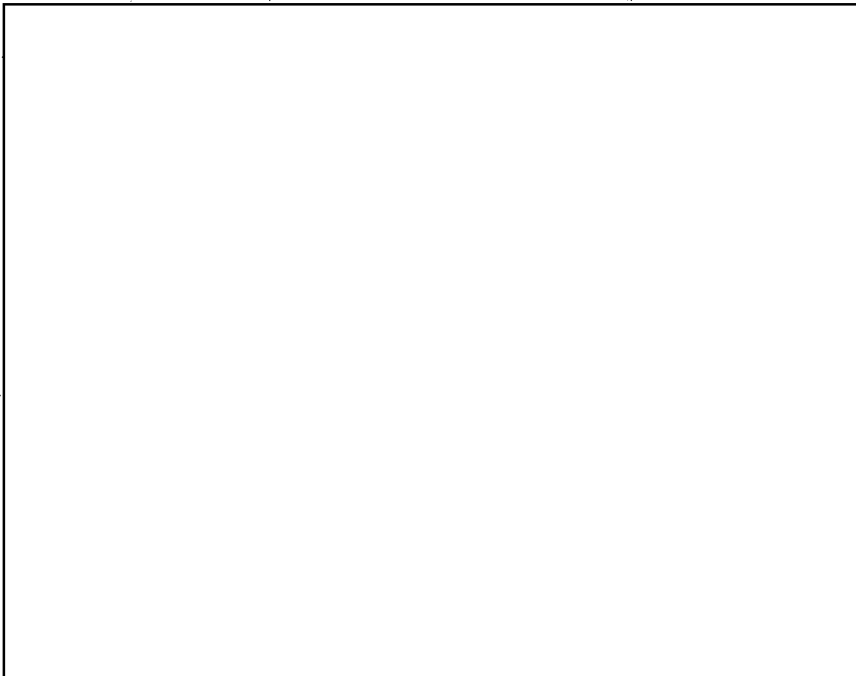
[redacted] were recovered from the fire place during the following night

c. About 35 soldiers trained with four AA guns in the barracks yard on 21 April 1950.

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d. Truck [redacted] was parked in the barracks area on 22 April 1950. Four 37-mm guns with crews of 6 to 7 stood nearby. Thirty other soldiers in groups of 10 were seen at athletic exercises in full uniform (2).

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