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COUNTRY Poland and Polish-occupied Germany REPORT NO. [REDACTED] 25X1A

TOPIC Soviet Military Rail Movements on the Frankfurt/Oder - Brest Litovsk Line

EVALUATION [REDACTED] 25X1X PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED] 25X1A

DATE OF CONTENT 16 to 25 April 1950

DATE OBTAINED [REDACTED] 25X1A DATE PREPARED 1 June 1950

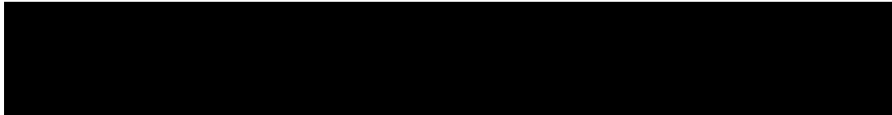
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1. In Brest Litovsk the engine of the coal train was used for switching purposes for two days. It moved 4 and 6-axle flatcars from the western and southern railroad stations to the northern station, where about 180 flatcars had been assembled at the end of shunting activity on 21 April 1950.
2. An unusually large number of officers and men of artillery and tank units, but no units or materiel to be entrained, were seen at the Brest North station.
3. About 15 unnumbered trucks were observed on the train which stopped in Kutno (N 53/0 89) on 17 April 1950. The guns on that train had a 3 to 4-meter-long barrel with muzzle brake, a gun shield with rounded corners and twin wheels with pneumatic tires. The gun carriages could not be seen.* The train included 20 boxcars occupied by officers and men. **
4. The guns which were unloaded in Frankfurt/Oder on 25 April 1950 had a caliber estimated at 150 mm, a split-trail carriage, dual disk wheels with perforations, solid rubber tires, about 3.5-meter-long barrel of which a 2.5-meter-long section projected from the semi-circular gun shield, and no muzzle brake. ***

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5. No other military shipments were observed on either trip. There were no stoppages or congestions in rail traffic.

- * 25X1X ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ Comment: The description may check with the 100-mm AT gun, model 1944, the barrel of which, however, is almost 6 meters long, including the muzzle brake.
- **25X1X ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ Comment: Probably a shipment of replacements, coupled to a train hauling material.
- **25X1X ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ comment: The description checks with the 152-mm 1938 field howitzer. The unloading of this type of gun in Frankfurt/Oder may indicate that the Soviet Occupation Forces Germany were not yet equipped with the latest 1943 model with a muzzle brake.

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