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1. Ninety to one hundred single-engine ground attack planes with a single-strut landing gear and a directional loop antenna forward of the rudder assembly were observed at the Doberitz (N 53/Z 65) airfield between 9 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. on 31 July 1950. \* Fifty of the planes had the upper edge of the rudder assemblies painted blue and were parked on the northern edge of the field, along the Hamburg Highway. \*\* Thirty five to forty planes were standing in wedge formation in the center of the field, and 6 to 10 planes were parked in front of the hangars on the southern edge of the field. The painting on the aircraft in the center of the landing field could not be determined.
2. The planes on the northern edge of the field were refueled at 9 a.m. The ground around the planes in the center of the landing field was watered with a large hose. One of the latter planes took off at 9:45 a.m. heading toward Staaken (N 53/Z 65). It was unpainted except for a small red patch on the trailing edge of the rudder assembly. The other planes in the center of the landing field took off in a group at 10:20 a.m. The leading edges of their rudder assemblies were painted red. While the planes practiced formation flying, the aircraft on the northern edge of the field and in front of the hangars remained inactive. The landing of the planes was not observed, nor were changes noticed at the field or its installations.

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\* Comment. Two ground attack regiments are believed to be stationed at [REDACTED] rfield.

\*\* Comment. To date, this marking has been observed only on ground attack planes of ground attack regiments stationed in Roinsdorf and Stendal.

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