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1. Several trains carrying disassembled sections of temporary barracks passed through the Jueterbog (N 52/E 69) railroad station between 12 and 20 July 1950. The trains came from the direction of Berlin and proceeded toward Wittenberg (N 52/E 37).
2. A truck convoy coming from the direction of Treuenbrietzen (N 53/Z 50), passed through Jueterbog about 4:30 p.m. on 16 July 1950. The convoy was led by a jeep occupied by four officers, among them a major who signaled the trucks with a red and a white flag. The trucks of the convoy included a radio truck, 10 trucks, 7 of which towed guns of 76.2 mm caliber, allegedly AT guns, and two towed field kitchens. Each truck was occupied by eight soldiers about 20 years old. Truck [REDACTED] were seen. (1)
- 25X6 At 9:30 p.m. on the same day, a convoy of seven motorcycles, including [REDACTED] the last with a sidecar, and five armored reconnaissance cars arrived from the direction of Treuenbrietzen and entered Jueterbog via Schlossstrasse.
3. A train of 35 to 40 boxcars without an engine was seen near the Millionenbruecke about 5 p.m. on 17 July 1950. The boxcars were occupied by soldiers wearing AF insignia.
4. The Fuchsberg Kaserne was occupied to half its capacity between 12 and 20 July 1950.
5. The training area east of Jueterbog has been more strictly guarded since about 20 July 1950. It was estimated that about 10,000 troops with perhaps 1,000 tanks were stationed in the area. Two lines of poles carrying 10 to 12 and 20 to 24 telephone lines run from Jueterbog to the Heidehof via Werder (N 53/E 79). The Heidehof housed a high unit headquarters commanded by a general. About one third of the 1,200 temporary barracks which have been under construction since 1949 were not completed on 23 July 1950. (2) Heavy troop movements to the west in the area south

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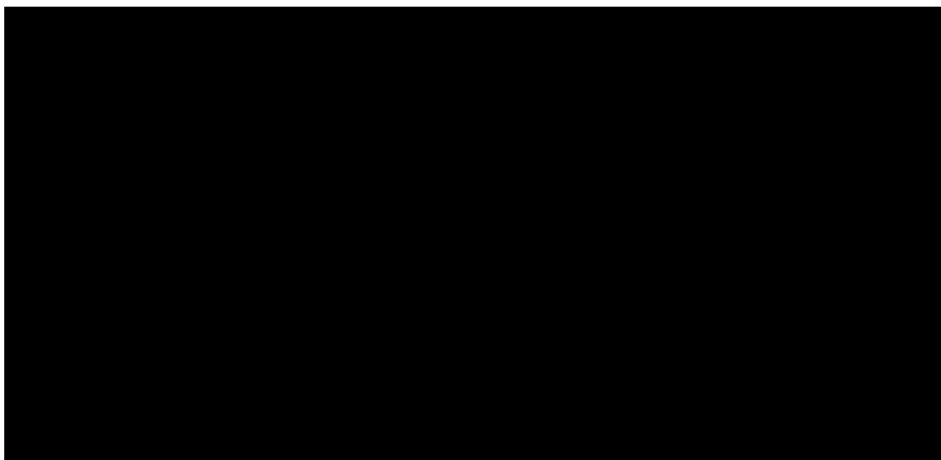
of Jueterbog were observed by local residents on the nights between 16 and 23 July 1950. Tank and AT artillery units were on the march southwest of Jueterbog. They were equipped with numerous T-34 tanks and an unusually large number of tank trucks. Large artillery units with heavy guns moved through Markendorf (N 52/E 78) on the night of 20 July 1950.

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6. An alert practice was held in the Bleidorn Kaserne, Hindersin Kaserne and Turm Kaserne, Jueterbog, at 5:30 p.m. on 24 July 1950. The first trucks left the Turm Kaserne about 6 p.m. They were occupied by soldiers and some of them towed guns of 100 to 120 caliber. The trucks carrying personnel were followed by field kitchens, radio trucks with extended antennae and several troop columns. The troop columns headed toward Gruenstrasse, Schloss Strasse or Altes Lager. They were armed with rifles and submachine guns and carried gas masks, field bags and rolled blankets. Armored vehicles which left the Turm Kaserne at the same time crossed the training field at the rear of the installation. Some of the troops returned to the billeting area about 10 p.m. (3)

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- 25X6 8. A convoy of four amphibious cars, six armored reconnaissance cars, seven sidecar motorcycles and truck [REDACTED] loaded with furniture, entered the Turm Kaserne about 9 a.m. on 31 July 1950. A laborer at the installation said the convoy came from Wittenberg. A convoy of 20 sidecar motorcycles, 2 armored reconnaissance cars and a tractor towing a gun left the Turm Kaserne through the main gate about 5 p.m. on the same day, heading toward the Millionenbruecke via Brueckenstrasse.

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9. Trucks [REDACTED] all loaded with boxes, 100 x 25 x 25 cm, entered the Turm Kaserne between 7 and 9 p.m. on 2 August 1950.

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10. The following motor vehicle [REDACTED] at the Turn Kaserne between 31 July and 5 August 1950:

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11. The names of some Soviet officers, allegedly unit commanders, were secured from documents in the labor office. Among these were Lieutenant Colonel Repnoi (fnu), Major Lasinko (fnu), and Captain Barzenko (fnu), in Neues Lager; Lieutenant Colonel Zaragov (fnu), Major Haritorenkov (fnu), Major Koshukov (fnu), Major Storshenkov (fnu), and a Kapustin (fnu), in Altes Lager; Major Kurachin (fnu), Major Ludwig (fnu), and Captain Wislovski (fnu), at the Damm airfield; Major Mikhirikov (fnu) at Jueterbog II and Major Gugin (fnu) at Reinsdorf. All of these officers were entitled to requisition workers from the labor office. (4)

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12. A convoy of 40 trucks, some towing AT guns and mortars, moved from Schloss Strasse, Jueterbog through Pferdestrasse about 5 p.m. on 19 July 1950. Each truck carried 5 to 10 soldiers about 20 years old. They were equipped for duty and carried submachine guns with clip magazines. No gas masks were seen. About 15 trucks, towing mortars of about 100 mm caliber, had [REDACTED] Ten trucks, towing AT guns of 40 to 50 mm caliber, had [REDACTED] (5)

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13. Two trucks, including [REDACTED] each occupied by 15 or 16 soldiers wearing black-bordered red epaulets left Neumarkt (N 52/W 69) toward Markendorf at 7:45 p.m. on 20 July 1950.
14. The sirens in all of the barracks installations in Jueterbog II sounded for five minutes at 3:45 p.m. on 24 July 1950. Two armored vehicles (reconnaissance cars), two T-34 tanks, two tank trucks, six trucks each occupied by about 30 men and some officers, two passenger cars and two repair shop or ration supply trucks were the first vehicles to leave through the main gate of the Turn Kaserne at 4:10 p.m. The troops carried field equipment, including gas masks. After the alert practice, shops and inns were checked by military patrols. A resident of Kummersdorf (N 53/W 80) said that an alert practice was also held there on 24 July 1950. (3) Seven repair shop trucks, two of them towing field kitchens, moved toward the town via Schloss Strasse at 6 p.m. on the same day. They had [REDACTED]
15. Six trucks, each occupied by eight soldiers, and towing guns of 80 to 90 mm caliber with barrels about four meters long and muzzle brakes, came from the direction of Altes Lager at 12:30 p.m. on 25 July 1950. Trucks [REDACTED] were seen. The guns seemed to be AA guns. (6)
16. Two armored caterpillar tractors towing guns of about 120 mm caliber moved toward Rochow (N 52/E 68) at 10 a.m. on 26 July 1950. They had the [REDACTED] and mounted two machine guns forward.

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17. About 20 trucks each occupied by about 20 soldiers, and 32 sidecar motorcycles mounting machine guns left the woods for the Fuchsberg Kaserne at 4 p.m. on 2 August 1950.

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18. Two trucks towing heavy mortars and one truck with [REDACTED] and the crossed-gun-barrel insignia, were seen on Schloss Strasse near the railroad station at 6:50 p.m. on 4 August 1950. The mortars were on a carriage with two rubber wheels. Their barrels were about 130 cm long and about 150 mm in diameter on the outside. Four trucks with [REDACTED], towing mortars of about 100 mm caliber, moved toward Jueterbog via Schloss Strasse at 6:30 p.m. on the same day. (7)

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- Comments
- (1) [REDACTED] belongs to an unidentified AT Arty Brig, possibly the 4th, of the IV Arty Corps in Neues Lager, Jueterbog. It is possible that the convoy was returning to its military post after firing practice at Altengrabow.
 - (2) Presumably the Werder-Markendorf maneuver area. More troops than stated must be located there because it is known that most of the component units of the 6th and 7th Gds Tank Divs and headquarters units of the Third Gds Mecz Army conduct field exercises in that area. In July 1950 a report was received on the construction of temporary barracks. [REDACTED]
 - (3) Similar alert practices, including gas alarm, were held at the Delius Kaserne, Potsdam, between 20 and 24 July 1950. [REDACTED]
 - (4) Although the officers are not known, the information is given credence since source is in a position to obtain this type of information.
 - (5) All series belong to the 12th Gds Tank Div. Some component units of that division participated in field exercises in the Jueterbog area during the summer of 1949. The convoy may have been connected with a troop train which left Fehrbellin for Luckenwalde on 9 July 1950 and two trains with troops and materiel which left Jueterbog for Neuruppin on 28 July 1950. [REDACTED]
 - (6) The [REDACTED] belongs to the 2nd Gds AAA Div of the GOFD in the Potsdam area. No elements of that division have been identified to date at field exercises in the Jueterbog area. They held their summer firing practices at the Wustrow Peninsula. [REDACTED]
 - (7) The troop movements at the barracks and the vicinity of Jueterbog support the previous assumption that the units of the 14th Gds Mecz Div in Jueterbog conduct their field training while stationed at the post.

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