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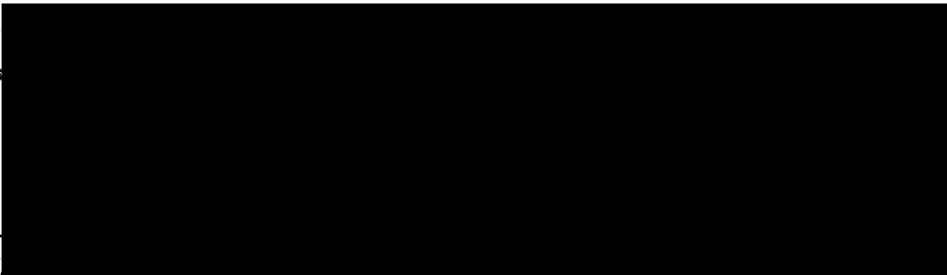
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1. ██████████ it was learned that six-week tank training courses with from 60 to more than 100 police at a time, were quartered in a building of the Jaeger Kaserne, Luebben (N 52/A 28). The trainees were Bereitschaftspolizei personnel who had no previous military service but did have technical training. *
 2. The training course was subordinate to Oberpolizeirat Reinmann (fnu), in Potsdam (N 53/Z 63), who was directly responsible to a Berlin VP headquarters. Reinmann was allegedly in charge of the Bereitschaftspolizei training in Land Brandenburg.
 3. Having previously received basic infantry training and political indoctrination, the trainees of the course in Luebben were schooled on three T-34 tanks by six tank experts. Trainees who passed the final examination were sent to Cossen (N 53/Z 91) to attend a six-week course of advanced training under the supervision of Soviet officers and NCOs. At Cossen they were also trained with T-34 tanks and allegedly JS tanks, usually in surrounding area. Target practice with live ammunition was held at the Kuznersdorf (N 53/Z 80) range. Upon graduation from that course the trainees were assigned to units of the Bereitschaftspolizei. **

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