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1. On 24 October 1950, fifteen railroad cars with ration supplies were unloaded at the ration supply depot on Georg Richterstrasse, Frankfurt/Oder. Three railroad cars with canned meat were unloaded on Rathenowerstrasse on the same day.
2. On 25 October, a shipment of fifty new,  trucks, coming from the direction of Cottbus, passed through Frankfurt/Oder. Its destination could not be determined. 25X1B
3. On 29 October, the assembling of 25 boxcars for the transportation of soldiers was observed at the loading ramp of the eastern railroad station, Frankfurt/Oder. On 30 October, thirty-five boxcars were assembled for a troop train in Freienwalde. (1)
4. On 30 October, a shipment of twenty-four 50-mm AA guns on outrigger-type mounts, without prime movers, was seen at the Frankfurt/Oder-Ost railroad station.
5. The leave train which arrived in Frankfurt/Oder from Brest Litovsk on 30 October was occupied to capacity. About 90 percent of the occupants were officers wearing new uniforms and having little luggage with them. They left on trucks for barracks in Frankfurt/Oder. (2)
6. On 25 October, a train of 54 boxcars with soldiers, coming from the direction of Guben, passed through Frankfurt/Oder and proceeded toward Cottbus. (3)
7. On 26 October, a train of 50 boxcars occupied by soldiers left Knestrin toward the U.S.S.R. (1) A shipment of 50 overhauled trucks went from Armendorf to Brest Litovsk on the same day.
8. Military shipments observed between 29 and 31 October 1950 included:

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Shuttle-trains [redacted] of  
20 boxcars with soldiers

Meinsdorf to  
Justerbog-Altes Lager  
2 November

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Empty shuttle-train [redacted] of  
10 boxcars

Justerbog-Altes Lager to  
Meinsdorf  
3 November (1)

10. On 1 November, a convoy of one jeep and 23 trucks, including four trucks towing AA guns and eight trucks towing AT guns, with 13 officers and about 60 men was observed on the Hammelspring-Templin road and was subsequently loaded at the Templin freight yard. The

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11. A shipment of 18 new, [redacted] trucks and two used trucks [redacted] [redacted], guarded by three soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets, was seen at the Luellersdorf railroad station near Templin on 1 November 1950. (6)

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[redacted] Comments.

(1) The report mentions empty trains being assembled in Frankfurt/Oder and Freienwalde, trains with soldiers going from Meissen and Meinsdorf to Justerbog, and trains with soldiers leaving Justerbog for the U.S.S.R. It is firmly believed that a large processing camp is located in Justerbog for troops to be discharged from units of the Third Gds Lecz Army and possibly also from some units of the First Gds Lecz Army. The troops on the trains reported are believed to have been due for demobilization.  
(2) Having an average capacity of about 1,000 men, the train is believed to have carried 700 to 800 officers who came from the U.S.S.R. It was previously reported that the leave trains running between Frankfurt/Oder and Brest Litovsk between 25 and 29 October carried an daily average of 190 men on the eastbound trips as against 720 men on the westbound trips.

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See [redacted] It is therefore possible that the westbound leave trains may also have carried new arrivals from the U.S.S.R. The large number of officers who arrived in Frankfurt/Oder on 30 October were probably assigned from Frankfurt/Oder to units in the Soviet zone of Germany.

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(3) Possibly shuttle-train [redacted] according to another source was seen on the Falkenberg-Justerbog-Justernark line on 26 October 1950 carrying recruits in 52 boxcars. [redacted].

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(4) It is possible that the influx of recruits which started on 26 September 1950 may have ceased in the last days of October, since on 30 and 13 October 1950 two shuttle-trains which previously hauled recruits from the U.S.S.R. returned empty to the Soviet zone of Germany via Kuestrin and Guben respectively.  
(5)

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[redacted] belongs to a supply depot, presumably a fuel depot in the Fuerstenberg area  
confirms the main fuel supply depot in Volten prior to 30 October 1950  
confirms the 800th Ration Supply Depot in Satz Korn prior to 31 October 1950  
is assigned to the ammunition administration in Lunitzsch  
belongs to an AF supply unit in Justerbog

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confirm the 123d Tank Repair Shop in Muellrose and Kirchmoeser, prior to 31 October 1950

confirms the 118th Sig Regt of the Fourth Gds Mecz Army in Eberswalde prior to 30 October 1950

belongs to a records and map archives in the former Waldsiedersdorf sanatorium.

belongs to an ammunition depot in Hohenleipisch

belongs to an ammunition depot in Wulkow

confirms the 93rd Gds Hvy Tank SP Regt of the Fourth Gds Mecz Army in Bad Freienwalde prior to 29 October 1950.

(6) Report indicates that elements of the divisions of the Fourth Gds Mecz Army were still departing from the Templin maneuver area on 1 November 1950.

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