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1. The troops from Juetarhog (N 52/E 69), who were alerted and left the post on 14 October 1950, returned to their billets three days later at night. Officers seen in Juetarhog on 19 October had not been at the post before. (2) About 90 percent of the windows of the Fuchsberg Kaserne were lighted during the evenings. On 23 October, only four soldiers, who carried portable radio sets, were observed at the Darm airfield.

2. A train observed at Millionen Bruecke on 22 October consisted of ten boxcars with troops, and 38 flatcars loaded with trucks, five rail-type rocket launchers, and twelve mortars. The engine of the train was headed toward Wittenberg. (3)

3. Another train observed at Millionen Bruecke on 24 October carried troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets, billeting equipment, and 15 trucks.

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4. A third train of 30 boxcars and several flatcars carrying five trucks, including truck [redacted] was observed on 27 October. The five trucks were special vehicles designed to carry cable reels. (4)

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5. Between 9 and 29 October, all units from Wittenberg, Rossau, and Zerbst left Camp Verdier near Juetarhog. By 25 October all camp buildings were handed over to the camp administration by the departing units. [redacted] previous estimates and data [redacted] concerning the extent and installations of the camp had been too high. The camp consisted of exactly 115 completed EM barracks, 70 unfinished EM barracks, 18 libraries and reading rooms, six dispensaries, 22 headquarters and office buildings, nine EM kitchens with storerooms, 10 officers' kitchens, 58 officers' billets, and nine PX buildings. (5)

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6. [redacted] the camp section [redacted] had been occupied by units from Wittenberg.

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7. The units from Jueterbog-Altes Lager also handed over the barracks occupied by them through the summer, although they were still staying in the camp, and were scheduled to remain there. In late October 1950 they were accommodated in shelters near the southern parking lot. The shelters were about 10 meters long, four meters wide, 1.5 meter deep and lined with tree trunks. The gaps in between the trunks were filled with moss. The shelters had slanting roofs covered with tar paper and sand. Each shelter accommodated about 30 soldiers sleeping on boards and strawbags on either side of the central passage dividing the shelters. The ~~SM~~ and officers' kitchens of the troops from Jueterbog-Altes Lager were still in operation. The unit concerned was commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Balbanovski (fnu). Trucks [redacted] and three AT guns of not more than 75 mm were parked near the shelters.

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8. Between 23 and 27 October, troops 24 to 26 years of age, wearing red-bordered black epaulets, left Camp Werder with suitcases and baggage. They were replaced by soldiers, 18 to 20 years of age, wearing red epaulets and wrapped leggings who had just arrived. Between 9 and 27 October, tank troops were engaged in daily record practice. A large-scale firing exercise was held on 18 October in which aircraft, dropping bombs, participated. (7)

9. Between 9 and 11 October a colonel from Jueterbog II came to Camp Werder daily, riding in sedan [redacted]

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[redacted] Comments.

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- (2) It is believed that new officers who had arrived aboard trains from the U.S.S.R. were also assigned to the Jueterbog post. [redacted]
 (3) Presumably elements of the 6th and the 7th Gds Tank Divs which returned to their home stations.
 (4) The train carried a headquarters unit of the Third Gds Mecz Army.
 (5) [redacted]

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elements of both the 6th Gds Tank Div and the 7th Gds Tank Div left the Werder maneuver area by rail and road. [redacted]
 Present report indicates that all these units had left prior to 25 October 1950.

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- (7) The report indicates that a unit of the 6th Gds Mecz Div from Jueterbog-Altes Lager remained in Camp Werder to continue its training. During that time, troops due for demobilization left the camp while new replacements arrived.

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