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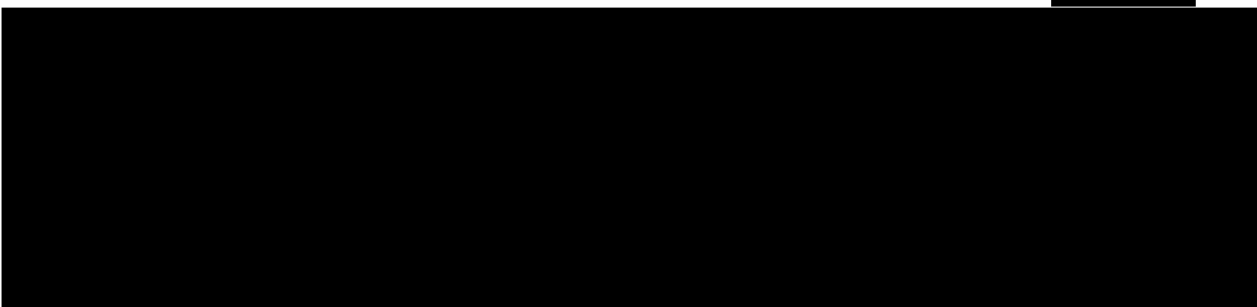
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- During 1950, 140,000,000 DM were invested in the expansion of the metallurgical industries in the DDR which are responsible to the Ministry of Heavy Industry. These include virtually all except the Soviet stock companies (SAGs). In round figures, the investment sum was apportioned as follows:

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|---------------------------------|----------------------|
| Maxhütte, Unterwellenborn | 15,000,000 DM |
| Stahl-und Walzwerk, Riesa | 40,000,000 " |
| Stahl-und Walzwerk, Hennigsdorf | 23,000,000 " |
| Eisen-und Stahlwerk, Gröditz | 37,000,000 " |
| | <u>115,000,000 "</u> |

The remaining 25,000,000 DM was distributed among other VVB enterprises.

- On 15 January 1951, the number of employees in the five VVBs administered by the Metallurgical Division of the Ministry of Heavy Industry was as follows:

| VVB | No. of plants concerned | Total No. employees | No. productive employees | No. office workers | No. of trainees |
|--------------|-------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| VESTA | 20 | 36,043 | 25,800 | 5,806 | 4,437 |
| Brandenburg | 1 | 2,277 | 1,215 | 958 | 104 |
| Mansfeld | 1 | 18,220 | 13,290 | 3,563 | 1,367 |
| Buntmetall | 14 | 6,167 | 4,584 | 1,026 | 557 |
| Alu | 9 | 4,973 | 3,819 | 727 | 427 |
| Total | 45 | 67,680 | 48,708 | 12,080 | 6,892 |

- Blast furnace No. 5 at Brandenburg is already inactive. It was rushed to completion in honor of Stalin's birthday and suffered from construction flaws.*

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