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1. In the beginning of 1951, all district national committees in Moravia published instructions on enlistments in 1951. Twenty-year olds are being drafted for the first time and the new conscription includes Germans and Hungarians in Czechoslovakia, who heretofore have never been included in the call-ups. The following classes are being conscripted:

Class of 1931

The first enlisted class, which consists of 20-year olds.

Class of 1930

The second enlisted class comprising 21-year olds who responded to the 1950 draft, but who were not recruited.

Class of 1929 - 1930

The third enlisted class, consisting of 22-year olds, who reported in 1949 and 1950, but who were not recruited. This group also includes older conscriptees who did not report for various reasons. The above-mentioned Germans and Hungarians also belong to this group.

2. Recruiting is done in the various districts by the so-called "Recruiting Commissions", which are dispatched by the District Military Command. The commissions usually consist of five members. The chairman, political officer and medical officer, i.e., officers of the District Military Command, are permanent members. The other two members of the commission are civilians sent from the district where the drafting takes place. One of the civilians is a deputy of the District National Committee (ONV), while the other is a deputy of the Local National Committee (LNV) sent from the community where men are being drafted. In addition, the commission includes other clerical personnel.
3. The draft periods are staggered in the various districts. In the district of Uhersky Brod (P50/T29), for example, drafting took place from 1- 19 February 1951, while in the district of Znojmo (049/S06) the period has

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been set for 27 March - 11 April 1951. In Uhersky Brod, the second and third classes, i.e., the class of 1930 and the rest of 1929 were almost completely recruited. Only ten percent of the class of 1931 was conscripted. Some of the recruits drafted in the January to March 1951 period have been notified to report for military service on 1 - 4 April 1951. These recruits are to be assigned to the technical branches of the army, that is, the air force, tank corps, artillery, etc. At the time the man is drafted, he is given a medical examination, and if he passes, he is measured for uniforms. The Political Officer then examines the draftee to determine his political affiliations and attitude.

Until recently, the conventional time for induction into military service was 1 October. Only the Air Force inducted twice a year (October and April). Now two induction periods have been set for the artillery and tank units as well, probably as a result of Soviet pressure following the summer war games. It is estimated that the total number in service in the Czechoslovak Army after the April call-up will be 150,000 - 160,000 men plus about 15,000 active officers and NCOs.

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