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1. The troops in the Husaren Kaserne in Bautzen (O 52/A 60) were alerted on 4 April 1951. A train with tanks was subsequently seen leaving toward Dresden at about noon and a tank column moving to the railroad station at sundown. * _____ one train with tank troops and another with artillery troops had passed through the Bautzen railroad station on 4 April, coming from the direction of Loebau and proceeding toward Dresden. 50X1-HUM
2. A troop unit was loaded at the Eilenburg (N 52/E 32) railroad station on 10 April. Twenty trucks and 15 artillery pieces, probably AT guns or light guns, were loaded on 25 flatcars.
3. Fourteen new T-34 tanks, 2 standard T-34 tanks, SP guns _____ 50X1-HUM
6 rocket launchers, 1 armored reconnaissance car, 4 trucks, 2 tank trucks, and 2 motorcycles were loaded on a train at Leisnig (N 52/K 69) railroad station on 10 April. The tanks _____ 50X1-HUM
troops engaged in the loading work wore artillery and tank insignia. Among them was Colonel Kusnin, (fnu), the commanding officer of the troops at the post. A Soviet lieutenant said that the troops would move to Koenigsbrueck, which was subsequently confirmed by a railroadman.
4. A train of 10 coaches carrying troops with red-bordered black epaulets and 6 freight cars carrying eight four-wheel armored scout cars, 12 armored personnel carriers and several trucks _____ 50X1-HUM
_____ passed through Taucha near Leipzig (N 52/E 31) on _____ 50X1-HUM
16 April. **
5. Advance details of troops in Oschatz (N 52/E 71) left by truck for Koenigsbrueck-Schnorkau on 14 April. Simultaneously, 30 tanks assembled in front of the garages in the billeting area. _____ the bulk of the troops would soon move out. *** 50X1-HUM

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* Comment. The 44th Gds Tank Regt of the 11th Gds Tank Div is carried in the Husaren Kaserne, Bautzen. Elements of the regiment probably went to Koenigsbrueck.

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** Comment. Three troop trains previously left the billeting area of the 8th Gds Mecz Div between 14 and 17 April 1951, going from Chemnitz to Koenigsbrueck.

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The present report indicates that troops from the other posts also began leaving by rail. The troops observed in Taucha near Leipzig were components of the 8th Gds Mecz Div

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Colonel Kusmin, (fnu), was identified in February 1951 as the commanding officer of the units in Leisnig.

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*** Comment. The advance parties leaving Oschatz probably belonged to the 9th Tank Div, troops which previously moved from Riesa to Keenigsbrueck aboard three trains between 12 and 18 April 1951.

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