

COUNTRY Soviet (Soviet Zone) ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ REPORT NO. [redacted]
 TOPIC Volkspolizei Dienststelle in Hohenstuecken

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EVALUATION [redacted]PLACE OBTAINED [redacted]

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DATE OF CONTENT prior to April 1951

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DATE OBTAINED [redacted]DATE PREPARED 6 July 1951

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REFERENCES [redacted]PAGES 1 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE) [redacted]REMARKS [redacted]

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1. In April 1951, the Volkspolizei Dienststelle (VPD) in Brandenburg-Hohenstuecken (N 53/2 23) was located in the barracks installation on Musterwitzerstrasse. The VPD numbered about 1,200 police. [redacted] It was organized into 4 Kommandos and 7 Sonderabteilungen. *

2. Officers of the VPD included VP Inspekteur Wagner, (fnu), commanding officer; VP Rat Krone, (fnu), chief of staff; VP Inspekteur Sterner, (fnu), PK officer; and VP Rat Burg, (fnu), commanding officer of 1st Kommando.

3. The VPD was armed with 2 T-34 tanks, 3 Soviet SP guns allegedly of 88-mm, 3 Soviet guns allegedly of 150-mm, 1 x 50 - mm AT gun, 12 x 80 - mm medium mortars, and 1 x 120 - mm heavy mortar. The heavy weapons were stored in a shed and taken out for training only at night. The equipment of the VPD included 2 ammunition carriers and 3 pontoons. **

4. Inadequate issue of ration supplies to the dependents in February 1951 precipitated a mutiny, whereupon heavy prison sentences and furlough restrictions were meted out. About 100 police left the VPD between December 1950 and April 1951. [redacted]

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* [redacted] Comment. Previous reports stated that the VPD in Hohenstuecken, [redacted] numbered 2,000 police. [redacted] However, it is believed that this VPD also numbers about 1,600 police.

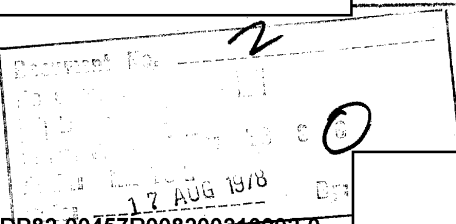
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** [redacted] Comment. Probably [redacted] 85-mm SP guns, 152-mm howitzers, and 57-mm or 45-mm AT guns.

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