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TOPIC Troops in Kutno and Rzeszow

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REMARKS

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Troops in Kutno.

- In March 1951, about 200 Soviet troops with small arms were observed at the barracks installations on the eastern perimeter of Kutno (Q 53/O 89) and the north side of ul. Warszawska. The multi-story barracks buildings were built of brick and had a billeting capacity of one regiment. Some of the buildings were plastered with blue-black colored chalk. (1)
- A Polish ordnance and ammunition depot was located in the barracks installation near Sklecki, about 3 km east of Kutno and south of the highway to Warsaw. The installation was situated in a virtually uninhabited region. It consisted of a number of two-story and three-story raw-brick buildings and was guarded by a Polish unit. (2)
- A barracks installation containing a two-story brick building and several other buildings of various materials was situated at the intersection of ul. Bema (north side) and ul. Sowinskiego (south side) in the northwestern sector of Kutno. It was occupied by a motorized unit of about 150 troops. No heavy weapons were observed. Source called the installation a Soviet barracks. (3)

Troops in Rzeszow.

- In April 1951, KBW (Corps of Internal Security) units of more than 2,000 men were stationed in Rzeszow (R 51/V 74). They were quartered in a barracks installation which was situated just east of the Wislok River, on the north side of the road leading to Lancut (R 51/V 84). (4)
- About 2,500 Polish infantry troops were also located in Rzeszow. They occupied the barracks installation on the south side of the road to Lancut, opposite the KBW Barracks; the barracks installation on the north side of ul. Lwoska, southeast of the main railroad station, where about 500 troops were quartered; and the barracks installation of five large buildings on the west side of ul. Langiewcza in the northwest sector of Rzeszow and east of the railroad line to Jaslo (R 50/Z 55).

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Comments.

- The information confirms statements by German resettlers that a Soviet

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signal-communications detachment was stationed at this barracks installation in April 1950. See [REDACTED]. However, the estimate of 200 troops in the present report seems too high. 25X1A

- (2) The barracks installation was reported to have been still vacant and heavily damaged in April 1950. See [REDACTED]. It may be used as a depot today.
- (3) This so-called barracks installation is probably the building which was previously reported as UB (Security Police) quarters. See [REDACTED]. 25X1A
- (4) The 4th KDW Brig was stationed in Rzeszow in mid-1950. Its components may total 2,000 men.

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