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1. [REDACTED] the Adolf Hitler Kaserne, Dresden, the installation was occupied by only a signal company operating the radio and teletype office [REDACTED]. Most of the troops from the installation, who wore red-bordered black epaulets, were at the Koenigsbrueck troop training grounds. About 800 recruits with black-bordered green epaulets arrived at the installation [REDACTED]. A general riding in staff car [REDACTED] arrived at the Adolf Hitler Kaserne [REDACTED]. He is said to have taken up residence in the Hermann Goering Kaserne. He visited the Adolf Hitler Kaserne, primarily the signal company, for several hours every day [REDACTED].

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2. Officers identified by the informant in the Adolf Hitler Kaserne included Colonel Vishirilyov (fnu), commanding officer of the troops wearing black-bordered green epaulets; Major Bogin (fnu), adjutant; Major Razan (fnu), barracks commandant; Senior Lieutenant Bas (fnu), drill officer; and Lieutenant Razinyev (fnu), officer in charge of drivers' training. Major Razan was also in charge of the German labor employed at the installation.

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3. [REDACTED] the Adolf Hitler Kaserne quartered about 1,000 troops who wore black-bordered black epaulets. Apart from rehearsals of a military band, and basic training of 30 soldiers with black-bordered black epaulets, no training activity was noticed on three days during the period of observation. Four trucks [REDACTED] were parked in the barracks yard [REDACTED]. Sedan [REDACTED] driven by a soldier with red-bordered black epaulets, was [REDACTED] at the installation [REDACTED] (1)

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4. [REDACTED] the former German 1st Grenadier Kaserne housed a headquarters, at which, primarily, officers with green and crimson service colors were seen, and a guard unit of soldiers wearing black-bordered black epaulets and red-bordered black epaulets without branch-of-service insignia. [REDACTED] (2)

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5. The Maschinengewehr Kaserne on Alaunplatz quartered about 600 troops who wore red-bordered black epaulets without branch-of-service insignia. Troops were seen drilling and engaged in physical training [redacted] Five groups totaling 60 to 80 men with red-bordered black epaulets were observed drilling and practicing with hand grenades [redacted] [redacted] 25X1

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6. The SS Kaserne, Wilder Mann, quartered about 1,200 troops probably including new arrivals, because training activity [redacted] [redacted] had increased after 9 July. Troops observed were young and wore red-bordered black epaulets with and without tank insignia. About 100 soldiers with red-bordered black epaulets, 1 T-34 tank, truck [redacted] towing a 76.2-mm AT gun, and 12 sidecar motorcycles were seen in the terrain adjoining the billeting area [redacted]. Tank [redacted] and several sidecar motorcycles were seen in the barracks yard [redacted] (4) 25X1

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7. The barracks installation in Dresden-Uebigau still quartered a unit of about 600 men who wore black-bordered epaulets without branch-of-service insignia. The apartment on Scharfenberg Strasse, which quartered soldiers with red-bordered black epaulets, [redacted] indicating that the troops had left with the exception of the soldiers manning the six AA guns emplaced at Uebigau. (5) 25X1

8. [redacted] 120 recruits arrived in the Maschinengewehr Kaserne on Alaunplatz on 4 trucks [redacted] (3). On [redacted] the Adolf Hitler Kaserne and the Grenadier Kaserne still quartered the same troops previously observed there. The number of troops in the former installation was estimated at 700. A truck [redacted] was seen here. 25X1

9. [redacted] a camp of 40 tents quartering about 400 troops was seen on the east bank of the Elbe River between the autobahn bridge at Uebigau and the channel at Kaditz. The troops wore black-bordered black epaulets, blue-bordered black epaulets and red-bordered black epaulets. They practiced bridge building and handling of engineer equipment. (6) 25X1

10. [redacted] it was learned [redacted] that Soviet troops had camped in the woods just east of the Luftkriegs Schule in Dresden-Klotzsche. On 23 July, [redacted] inspected the camp site in the woods and determined that the quartering capacity of the camp could have amounted to 2,000 men, [redacted] (7) 25X1

11. [redacted] the Flak Kaserne in Dresden-Nickern seemed to be only partially occupied. [redacted] the guard unit there numbered about 100 men. [redacted] estimated the number of troops quartered in the installation at between 80 and 150 soldiers and believed them to belong to a penal battalion. (8) 25X1

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[redacted] Comments.

- (1) According to the present and previous reports [redacted], the Adolf Hitler Kaserne has been occupied by between 700 and 1,000 troops since mid-June 1951. Prior to the beginning of June 1950, the strength of the troops there was reported several times to have been about 1,800 to 2,000 men. The statement in paragraph 1 of the present report that an element of the 11th Gds Tank Div, which is carried there among other units, has moved to Koenigsbrueck is given credence. [redacted] and [redacted] It is possible that the installation is, at present, occupied primarily by recruits in addition to being an army headquarters signal unit with a radio station, a filling station and a depot for electric equipment. 25X1A

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- (2) The information indicates that the Hq First Gds Mecz Army was still located in the former German 101st Grenadier Regt Kaserne. [redacted]

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- (3) According to the present and previous reports [redacted] the Maschinengewehr Kaserne on Alaunplatz was occupied by a headquarters unit of the First Gds Mecz Army in June and July 1951. [redacted]

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- (4) The information on the SS Kaserne, Wilder Mann, supports previous conclusions as to the troops stationed there until the beginning of July 1951. [redacted] The number of troops there has fluctuated greatly since May 1951, apparently due to the rotation of units to Koenigsbrueck. [redacted]

- (5) The occupation of the barracks installation in Dresden-Uebigau has not changed.

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- (6) The engineer training site at the Alt Kaditz ferryhouse was previously reported. See [redacted] The troops who, according to the present report, practiced there are believed to belong to the 134th Gds Engr Bn of the 11th Gds Tank Div from the barracks installation in Uebigau.

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- (7) [redacted] in early July 1951 indicated that the troops camping in the woods near the Luftkriegsschule may have been components of the 39th Gds Mtz Rifle Div, which were engaged in air-transport training and were also reported by [redacted] Since a subsequent report [redacted] stated that no troop carrying gliders were seen at Altenburg after 10 July 1951, it is possible that the camp in the woods east of the Luftkriegs Schule, Dresden-Klotzsche, had been dismantled at that time. [redacted] The statement in paragraph 10 of the present report that the camp was allegedly capable of quartering 2,000 men disagrees with information received from [redacted] who observed an amount of tents, weapons and vehicles which could have constituted the equipment of not more than a battalion. [redacted]

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- (8) The Flak Kaserne in Dresden-Nickern quarters the 496th (Gds ?) Arty Regt of the 11th Gds Tank Div, which is believed to have been at Koenigsbrueck since the beginning of May 1951. [redacted]

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