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- 25X1 1. Russian personnel at the Elektrochemisches Kombinat Bitterfeld (SAG Kaustik) includes the following:
 - 25X1 a. Feodorov, chief engineer. He arrived about 15 August 1951 to replace Milovidov, who has left the factory.
 - 25X1 b. Abrosimov, head of the inorganic department. [REDACTED] 25X1
 - c. Krylov, head of the organic department and the plastics department.
 - 25X1 d. Mrs. Sorochenko, in charge of the organic department under Krylov. [REDACTED] 25X1
- 2. Recent arrests and flights from the factory include the following cases:
 - 25X1 a. Dipl.-Ing. (certified engineer) Wachs of the power station [REDACTED] 25X1
 - b. Engineer Gannerdinger fled during the week beginning 26 August.
 - 25X1 c. Dr. Hoelemann of the research laboratories [REDACTED] 25X1
 - d. Dr. Herbig of the sales department fled on 2 September.
 - e. Dunce, a laboratory assistant, fled about 1 September.
 - f. Boettiger of the business department fled in late August.
 - 25X1 g. Fräulein Simon of the business department fled in late August [REDACTED] 25X1

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3. The factory management has proposed the formation of a society for the exchange of views and experiences with the USSR and has proposed Dipl.-Ing. Hennig as chairman, to be assisted by Dr. Wieck and Dr. Wehner. The society is to write to the Soviet cultural organization VOKS. Hennig has said privately that he does not believe that an exchange of views is possible, but an attempt is to be made to establish a connection.
4. The Russians have requested the factory to start producing caustic soda with a low chlorine content for export to the USSR. This is a new line for the factory.
5. Dr. Grassl of the Kombinat has been meeting one Sternberg in Berlin, who is said to be the London representative of an American laboratory. Sternberg has ordered 100 tons of PCU for delivery to the Tröste (sic) (Trust?) für angewandte Chemie, in the Principality of Liechtenstein,* but complained about the poor quality of the material.
6. The following chemicals have been dispatched from the factory for export from the DDR:

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Destination</u>
a. Orders placed by Gusima, Moscow:		
<u>Potassium dichromate</u>		
3 Sept.	30 t.	China via Brest Litovsk
<u>Potassium chlorate</u>		
20-30 Aug.	500 t.	China via Brest Litovsk
5 Sept.	165 t.	Rumania
<u>Cesarol (sic)</u>		
30 Aug.	25 t.	China via Brest Litovsk
b. Orders placed by DAHA, Berlin**:		
<u>Benzoic acid</u>		
9 Aug.	4.9 t.	Poland
22 Aug.	4.9 t.	"
<u>Oxalic acid</u>		
11 Aug.	30	
18 Aug.	14.9	
18 Aug.	4.9	
24 Aug.	1	
<u>Triphenyl phosphate</u>		
11 Aug.	10.1 t.	
22 Aug.	9.8 t.	
<u>Caustic potash, technical</u>		
15 Aug.	50 t.	Brest Litovsk, USSR C.1809. Trans 16294
30 Aug.	50 t.	" " " " "
<u>Caustic potash, low chlorine content</u>		
15 Aug.	50 t.	Brest Litovsk, USSR C.1809/25-03-229. Trans 16300
22 Aug.	50 t.	" " " " "
31 Aug.	50 t.	" " " " " C.1809. 344 01. " 16300

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<u>Potassium dichromate</u>		
15 Aug.	15 t.	Hungary
21 Aug.	15 t.	"
21 Aug.	20 t.	Poland

<u>Tricresyl phosphate</u>		
11 Aug.	30 t.	

13 Aug.	15 t.	Hungary
27 Aug.	15 t.	

<u>Chlorine, liquid</u>		
15-25 Aug.	260 t.	Poland (for Czechoslovakia)

<u>Potash</u>		
17 Aug.	44 t.	
17 Aug.	55 t.	Hungary
20 Aug.	50 t.	
23 Aug.	100 t.	Hungary
23 Aug.	15 t.	

<u>Potassium chlorate</u>		
17 Aug.	50 t.	Poland
18 Aug.	150 t.	
23 Aug.	210 kg.	
23 Aug.	20 t.	Czechoslovakia
5 Sept.	100 t.	

<u>Basochrom (sic)</u>		
17 Aug.	1 t.	
24 Aug.	20 t.	Hungary

<u>Chlorinated lime</u>		
17 Aug.	50 t.	Poland
24 Aug.	50 t.	"

<u>Igelit (plastic) aprons</u>		
22 Aug.	460	Brest Litovsk, USSR T.00578

<u>Sodium chlorate</u>		
23 Aug.	20 t.	
23 Aug.	50 t.	
24 Aug.	65 t.	
24 Aug.	20 t.	
4 Sept.	30 t.	

<u>Potassium permanganate</u>		
23 Aug.	5 t.	
31 Aug.	50 t.	

<u>Barium chloride</u>		
20 Aug.	20 t.	Czechoslovakia
24 Aug.	1.8 t.	Romania
Sept.	20 t.	Czechoslovakia

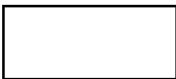
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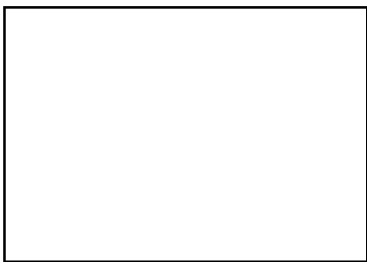
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<u>Date</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Destination</u>
<u>Carbon tetrachloride</u>		
11 Aug.	15 t.	Hungary
25 Aug.	7 1/2 t.	United States
23 Aug.	10 t.	Poland
<u>Chromium trioxide</u>		
31 Aug.	20 t.	Hungary

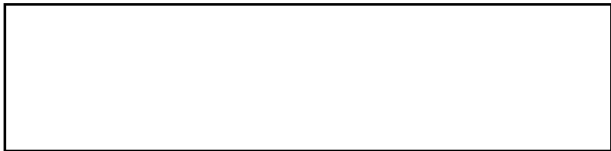
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7. Export orders received during this period were as follows:

- 50 t. Potassium permanganate
- 155 t. Potassium chlorate to
- 500 t. Potassium dichromate)
- 500 t. Potassium chlorate)
- 500 t. Sodium chlorate)



8. The following quantities of very pure (reinst) or highly refined (hochraffiniert) aluminum were dispatched during this period:

- 24 Aug. 3.7 tons to SAG Wismut, Siegmars-Schönau (hochraffiniert).
- 28 Aug. 2.2 tons to SAG Wismut, Siegmars-Schönau (hochraffiniert).
- 14 Aug. 1826 kg. to Metallwerk Lerbis (VVB Buntmetall) (reinst).
- 14 Aug. 3009 kg. to Filmfabrik Agfa, Wolfen (SAG Fotoplenka) (reinst - 99.99%)
- 22 Aug. 510 kg. to Elektroapparatfabrik Köppelsdorf (Thuringia) (reinst).

* Comment: This firm cannot be further identified from available reference material.

** Comment: Now called Deutsche Interzonen- und Aussenhandels-Gesellschaft (DIA), Berlin.

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