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1. Between 3 and 5 p.m. on 15 November 1951, there was no flying at Brandenburg-Briest airfield. There was a cloud base of about 300 meters and visibility of 5 km. Sixteen MiG-15s were parked in front of the flight control building. (1)
2. A radio installation with four masts was observed west of Plau-Briest road, in line with the runway. A radio installation with one mast and some low wooden buildings were located in the extension of the runway, northwest of Goerden Lake and another radio installation with one mast was west of Brandenburg-Marzahn road, about 1,000 meters north of triangulation point 31. A cable extended from the latter radio installation to the field via the radio installation northwest of Goerden Lake. (2)
3. The air force personnel were quartered in Landesanstalt (formerly a mental hospital) where two radio trucks with extended rod antennas were parked. The radio trucks were continually occupied and in operation. (3) was observed between the Landesanstalt and the entrance to the field. The fuel dump of the field was 500 meters south of the runway, 350 meters southwest of the flight control building, 250 meters east of the field border, and 450 meters west of the guardhouse. It consisted of 9 tank car-like containers; three of which were 1.8 x 15 meters, five 1.2 x 7 meters, and one 2 x 5 meters. The dump was surrounded by a fence and guarded by sentries. A spur track led up to its southern section. (4)

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- (4) The pin-point location of the fuel dump is reported for the first time. According to the reported size of the containers, from which the storage capacity of the fuel dump can be inferred, it is believed that there must be more dumps at the field. The fuel dumps at fighter airfields in the Soviet Zone of Germany have an estimated storage capacity of 500 cubic meters.

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