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Senior Review Panel

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With respect to your proposed study of Soviet basic engineering, I would like to suggest the following questions dealing with the development of the Soviet engineers:

- What is the character of a Soviet undergraduate's engineering education? How many years are involved and how many graduate each year?
- 2. Is most of this education obtained in universities or technical schools? Do their programs include time spent with industry with hands-on work?
- 3. Do engineering undergraduates go on to some graduate school equivalent, either in the university, in a technical institute or in industry?
- 4. Do many engineers continue their education to a Ph.D. or ScD level? What percentage, and what actual numbers graduate per year?
- 5. Do industry and technical institutes have career development programs for the better young engineers?
- 6. How broadly based are the engineering undergraduate programs? Do they take courses, for example, in Economics, Political Science, Humanities, etc?
- 7. What is the status of engineers in Soviet society, with respect to prestige and salary?
- 8. Do the Soviets have schools for technologists and mechanics that support engineering programs in more pragmatic ways?

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