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1. In the opinion of one Soviet officer, the prospects of a new West German national army should be no immediate cause for concern to the USSR. It was this officer's opinion that, if France does not ratify the EDC and West Germany is allowed to build up a force which would rival that of France, it would be very possible that France would join in a military alliance with the USSR.
2. In commenting that the DDR was being steadily built up as a counter-weight against West Germany, this officer mentioned that the DDR at present has about two divisions of infantry, plus artillery and tank units.

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