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1. On 26 July 1952, the Minesweeping and Coastguard Division of the Sea Police was transferred from Wolgast to Peenemuende and took up quarters at the newly-built barracks installation between the town of Peenemuende and the Peene River, leaving only the administrative offices of the division at its previous quarters in Wolgast. The sea police requisitioned the harbor of the Peenemuende power plant and converted part of it.

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2. The division was subordinate to the Hauptverwaltung Seepolizei (Sea Police Main Administration) (HVS) at 139 a Schneller Strasse, Berlin-Niederschoneneweide, and received instruction and orders from this headquarters by telephone, by teletype, or by a courier who came in a sedan once a week.

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3. In late September 1952, the Minesweeping and Coastguard Division totaled 680 to 700 officers and enlisted men. The division included the division headquarters, a sweeper flotilla of six motor minesweepers, two Kuestensicherungsabteilungen (coast protection units), each consisting of five coast protection vessels, and the headquarters with the administrative offices at the base of the division in Peenemuende. The division also had 1 tank vessel, 1 supply vessel, 1 fire boat, 2 launches, about 20 cutters, and 1 sailing yacht, in addition to the six sweepers and 10 coast protection boats.¹

4. Seepolizei-Inspektor Friedrich Elchlepp was the division commander and Seepolizeirat Peter Wunderlich the chief of staff.²

5. During the period between late 1952 and early 1953, the division was scheduled to be assigned as escort to the vessel DORSCH which was nearing completion, to turn over to the border police all coast protection boats without crews by early 1953, and to receive in return 18 Minen-Raum- und Leger-Boote (minelayer-sweepers) (MRL). An order for the construction of these vessels was placed with the Volkswerft Stralsund (Nationalized Shipyard) by the HVS and six of them were to be delivered to the division in late 1952. In early 1953, the division was allegedly to receive from the Soviet navy a former German destroyer and an unknown number of former German minesweepers.³

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6. Since August 1952, officers of the division have been saying that the Soviets would hand over a XXI-type submarine to the Sea Police. A request was made in late August for information on division personnel skilled as submariners, torpedo mechanics and gunners.⁴

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2. Comment. For a list of officers of the minesweeping and coast protection division, see Annex. On 7 October 1952, the insignias of rank of officers and enlisted men were changed to those used by former German naval officers and enlisted men.

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3. Comment. Since the destroyer, the return of which was expected, was said to have a displacement of 1,200 tons, it is possible that the Soviets plan to return the PRIMERNY, the former T33, German boats of this class had a displacement of 1,200 tons. The minesweepers the Soviets will allegedly return may be T 700- class vessels which have been at the Neptun Shipyard frequently since 1949.

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4. Comment. The rumor that a type XXI submarine will be handed over to the Sea Police has also been reported The XXI-type submarine is not suited for operation in the Baltic because of its large size.

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Liste der Leitenden Offiziere der Raem- und
Kuestenschutz - Division.

Feenamuede.

A. Divisionsstab

<u>Dienststellung</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Dienstgrad</u>
Kommandeur	Elchlepp	SP-Inspekteur
Stellvertreter-PK	Bau	SP-Kommandeur
Chef des Stabes	Wunderlich	SP-Rat
Leiter der Operations- abteilung	Klippstein	SP-Rat
Divisions-Ingenieur	Rischke	SP-Rat
Divisions-Elektro-Ingenieur	Voigt	SP-Oberkommissar
Divisions-Funkoffizier	Scheffler	SP-Rat
Leiter der Geheim- Registratur	Kuhfeld	SP-Kommissar
Leiter der Seekartenstelle	Berger	SP-Kommissar
Leiter der Funkstelle	Weder	SP-Meister
Divisions-Artillerieoffizier	Koenig	SP-Rat
Leiter der Partei-Kontroll- Kommission (PKK)	Rische	SP-Inspekteur
Leiter Personalabteilung	Schulze	SP-Rat
Divisions-Arzt	Dr. Herms	SP-Oberrat

B. Flottillen - Offiziere

Leiter R-Boots-Abt.	Elmenhorst	SP-Rat
Leiter I. KS-Abt.	Gruetzmacher	SP-Rat
Leiter II. KS-Abt.	Tamm	SP-Rat
Abt. Ingenieur	Berger	SP-Kommissar
Abt. Ingenieur	Banse	SP-Kommissar
Kommandant eines R-Bootes	Hollatz	SP-Kommissar

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Leitender Ing. eines R-Bootes	Jenzen	SP-Kommissar
Kommandant eines KS-Bootes	Holz	SP-Kommissar
Wach-Offizier eines KS-Bootes	Blei	SP-Kommissar
Wach-Offizier eines KS-Bootes	Spantek	SP-Kommissar
Leitender Ing. eines KS-Bootes	Meier	SP-Oberkommissar
Leitender Ing. eines KS-Bootes	Schulz	SP-Oberkommissar
Kommandant des Versorgungsschiffes	John	SP-Unterkommissar
Kommandant des Tankschiffes	Rat	SP-Unterkommissar
Kommandant des Feuerloeschbootes	Bergerow	SP-Kommissar

C. Stuetzpunkt - Offiziere

Stuetzpunkt Kommandant	Jordt	SP-Kommandeur
Stellvertreter u. PK	Rothe	SP-Rat
Stellvertreter Versorgung	Hillmann	SP-Rat
Leiter Verwaltung	Hinze	SP-Oberkommissar
Leiter Abt. Finanzen und Kasse	Schmidt	SP-Oberkommissar
Leiter Abt. Verpflegung	Peters	SP-Kommissar
Seemaennische Ausruestung	Lewerenz	SP-Oberwachtmeister
Technische Ausruestung	Koehler	SP-Meister
Kraft- u. Schmierstoffe	Zeisse	SP-Meister
Leiter der Kfz-Abt.	Zebrowski	SP-Meister
Leiter der Abt. Waffen und Geraet	Weise	SP-Unterkommissar
Leiter der Abt. Unterkunft und Geraet	Rauschenbach	SP-Oberwachtmeister
Leiter der Mess- und Entmagnetisierungsstelle	Richter	SF-Meister
Chef der Wachkompanie	Petermann	SP-Unterkommissar
Parteisekretaer	Blumenthal	SP-Oberkommissar
PdJ.-Sekretaer	Feyerabend	SP-Hauptwachtmeister

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