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TOPIC Wiener Neustadt Airfield 25X1

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REMARKS



- 1. Between 10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. on 13 December 1952, Wiener Neustadt (O 48/X 34) airfield was occupied by 36 MiG-15s, including 28 parked between the railroad stop Woellersdorfer Strasse and the flight control station, 6 on the edge of the woods near the pyrotechnic plant and 2 in line with the road sign on Badener Strasse, 11 twin-jet planes, and 6 single-engine aircraft no details of which could be identified. There was a 6/10 overcast at an altitude of about 2,000 meters, a southwesterly wind at a speed of about 10 km/h, thawing weather and clear visibility. Between 9 and 9:30 a.m., individual flights were made by MiG-15s which circled several times over the town. At 9:30 a.m., the two MiG-15s parked near the road sign on Badener Strasse were towed to the flight control station by trucks. The planes had a long cockpit and were believed to be trainers. At 10:45 a.m. the mobile flight control station moved to the repair shop on the eastern edge of the field. After 9:30 a.m., no air activity was observed.
- 2. Three of the nine AA gun emplacements at the field were occupied by one AA gun with a muzzle brake and without a gun shield, while the other six emplacements were each occupied by an AA gun with a flash hider. A dug-out was established near each emplacement which had a telephone connection. The nine emplacements were guarded by two sentries who wore red-bordered black epaulets. Eight clusters of wire extended from the flight control building to the road sign on Badener Strasse, where three of them branched off toward Matzendorf (O 48/X 35), while the remaining five led to the AA gun emplacements. Of the three clusters of wire which extend to Matzendorf three telephone lines branched off to the antenna mast with a cone-shaped bracing north of the row of white searchlights and three additional telephone lines branched off to the PKV-45 DF station and the antenna mast with a cone-shaped bracing northwest of Theresienfeld. From the latter radio installation, four telephone lines extended to the telegraph masts of the Austrian postal service. The former radar station south of the Wiener Neustadt-Bad Fischau road was not occupied.
- 3. Between 10 and 11:30 a.m. on 14 December, the same occupation was observed at the field as on 13 December. Between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m., individual flights were made by MiG-15s each circling about five times over the town. There was a 3/10 overcast at an altitude of about 2,000 meters, good visibility and a southwesterly wind at about 15 km/h. The aircraft took off and landed at intervals of 5 to 7 minutes. At 1 p.m., a MiG-15 plane towed an air sleeve

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which was 5 to 6 meters long. The plane flew alone, and no attacks were made at the sleeve target.

4. Between 4 and 4:30 p.m., on 16 December, the field was occupied by 36 MiG-15s parked between the flight control building and the railroad stop at Woellersdorfer Strasse, 11 twin-jet planes and 6 single-engine aircraft parked elsewhere. Thirteen of the parked aircraft were not covered with tarpaulins. Between 6 and 9 p.m. on 17 December, individual flights were made by the MiG-15s. It began to snow lightly after 8:30 p.m.,¹

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 Comment. No essential change was observed at Wiener Neustadt airfield. The reported air activity with MiG-15s is the usual combat training during the first months.

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