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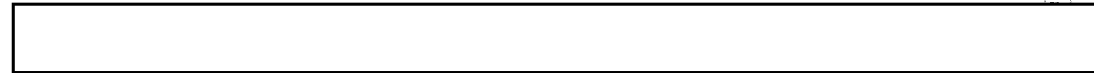
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The 1953 imports of crude oil from Zistersdorf are scheduled to be 480,000 tons of which 300,000 tons are destined for the SAG Hydrogenation Plant in Leuna and 180,000 tons for the VEB Mineral Oil Plants in Luetzkendorf and Herrenleite.

Comment. The scheduled crude oil imports of 180,000 tons provided for the refineries in Luetzkendorf and Herrenleite indicate that the processing capacities of the two plants or, at least, of one of the plants has been expanded. According to previous information, the capacity of the Luetzkendorf refinery allowed an annual processing of about 140,000 tons and the capacity of the Herrenleite refinery about 15,000 tons of crude oil. The imports of 300,000 tons of crude oil provided for the Leuna Plant indicate that the SAG Administration has acted on its intention to hydrogenate on the basis of crude oil in 1953, as was done by SAG plants in 1952. The German Economic Control had requested the Leuna Plant to resume hydrogenation on the basis of brown coal low-temperature tar in order to use the surplus stock which accumulated during 1952.

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