

COUNTRY Approved For Release 2002/07/12 : CIA-RDP80-00810A000700220007-3 REPORT NO. [redacted]

TOPIC Wiener Neustadt Airfield 25X1A

EVALUATION [redacted] 25X1X PLACE OBTAINED [redacted] 25X1A

DATE OF CONTENT 24 to 28 January 1953

DATE OBTAINED [redacted] 25X1A DATE PREPARED 26 February 1953

REFERENCES _____

PAGES 2 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE) _____

REMARKS _____

SOURCE [redacted] 25X1X

1. Between 11 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. on 24 January 1953, source observed 32 MiG-15s, 11 twin-engine jet planes and 6 single-engine planes at Wiener Neustadt airfield (O 48/X 34). Weather was 10/10 overcast, visibility about 20 km, moderate southwesterly wind. Sixteen MiG-15s parked near Badener Strasse made five-minute local flights. After landing the planes which were fitted with oblong cabins and marked by three-digit red numbers taxied back to their parking site. 1 Near the runway, source saw two bus trailers, two van-like trucks and one jeep. The noise of flying aircraft was heard until 10 p.m.
2. From 10 a.m. to noon and 3 to 4:30 p.m. on 25 January, air activity observed at the field followed the pattern of the preceding day. Weather was 10/10 overcast, visibility about 20 km, no wind. A total of 38 MiG-15s and 11 twin-jet planes were seen. 1 Six MiG-15s with auxiliary fuel tanks were parked in aircraft revetments along Badener Strasse. Source noticed that the revetments were large enough to shelter MiG-15 aircraft. The air exhaust of some of the planes was covered by a [redacted] a MiG-15. 2 About 3 p.m., a twin-engine jet plane landed. Otherwise there was no flying by twin-jet planes. At 3:40 p.m., a MiG-15 was seen towing an air sleeve about 10 meters long over the field. Source heard the reports of some shots, but was unable to determine whether they were fired by AA guns or aircraft weapons. A MiG-15 seen about 2,000 meters diagonally behind the air sleeve apparently did not pursue the target-tow plane. 3 One bus trailer, two van-like trucks, one jeep, and five grey sedans were parked at the landing field. About 11 a.m., three more sedans arrived at the field. It was noticed that sentries with black-bordered epaulets, armed with submachine guns and carrying field bags were posted around the field at intervals of about 500 meters. An increased number of sentries was also seen around the Nachrichten Kaserne. There were no changes in the guarding of the Artillerie Kaserne and of the barracks camp. [redacted] 25X1B left the field.

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3. The following observations were made from 26 through 28 January:

26 January. According to local residents there was flying by jet
planes throughout the day. Weather was 10/10 overcast, moderate
blowing westerly winds with light snowfalls.

27 January. According to local residents there was light air activity
by jet fighters. The noise of flying aircraft was heard until about
10 p.m. Weather was 6/10 overcast, visibility limited.

28 January. There was flying by jet planes until 3:30 p.m. 1
Vehicles identified on the Wiener Neustadt-Pad Fischau road included:

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25X1A 1. [Redacted] Comment. The report indicates that there was no change in the
occupation of Wiener Neustadt airfield, which is still occupied by
two fighter regiments. From the observation of the trainer version
of the MIG-15 type, it is believed that young pilots were still being
retrained with jet aircraft.

25X1A 2. [Redacted] Comment. [Redacted] 25X1B
25X1B [Redacted]

25X1A 3. [Redacted] Comment. Efforts have been initiated to clarify the point
whether the air target towed by a MIG-15 was actually fired at.

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