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- 25X1 1. The Buero fuer Wirtschaftsfragen (BfW) gave the following development orders to VLB Carl Zeiss, Jena, in 1952:
- a) Development of an infantry range finder. The instrument, which is V-shaped, has a base of about 70 cm. It is operated stereoscopically with the aid of a luminous mark which is to coincide with the aim in the field of vision. The aim can be sighted while the operator takes cover. Models of this instrument are under construction. Production will be started after the models have been tested successfully;
  - b) Development of a large-type, coastal range finder with a base of between six and ten meters. This instrument is to be used against ships; it is in the very initial stage of its development; no model is near completion;
  - c) Development of an aiming circle (Bussolenrichtkreis) for the adjustment of battery fire. The circle of this instrument is divided into 6,000 parts following the Russian model. The instrument can be directly lined up with the aim; it can also be used in conjunction with a map upon which the detachable upper part of the instrument is to be placed. The top of the instrument is provided with a telescope to determine the azimuth. The telescope is installed in such a way that it can be used while the operator takes cover. While the instrument is still in development, some provisional samples have already been completed. The BfW order includes construction of 2,000 pieces which are to be produced, after completion of the development, in the Zeiss, Jena, works and in the former Hildebrand factory in Freiberg;
  - d) Development of an anti-aircraft range finder. Development has not yet started.
2. Development of these instruments has been carried over into the 1953 development program of Zeiss.

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3. Arthur Pulz, a returnee from Russia, is in charge of the development of range finders. He has established a construction office in the RHL department (Entwicklungshauptleitung) of the Zeiss works where he works with about five assistants. Pulz is a specialist in range finder development.