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On 10 April 1953 a conference of the leading employees of the former Junkerswerke took place in the Ministry of Interior under the chairmanship of the Central Committee and in cooperation with the State Office for Material Procurement. High officers of the Soviet Air Force are said to have been present also. The following are allegedly the matters discussed at the conference:

- a. Production of spare parts for Soviet planes, chiefly fighter planes.
- b. Construction of new planes for the Volkspolizei.
- c. Examination of the proposed costs for rebuilding the Junkerswerke to its pre-war status.
- d. The date for commencement of full production was set for 1 January 1954.
- e. A number of engineers are supposed to be selected to go to Russia for a three-month course of study in the autumn of 1953.
- f. The Ministry of Interior has decided that in the near future--date not yet determined--the area around the works in Dessau and Aken is to be declared a "restricted area." All civilians residing there will have to be evacuated.
- g. The present airport is shortly to be made into a training field for the East German Air Force and will further serve as a testing field for the Junkerswerke.

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