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In the opinion [redacted] it is becoming increasingly likely that widespread spontaneous riots and demonstrations will erupt in East Germany if the Four-Power Conference fails completely to reach agreement on the German question. [redacted] the rural population may be expected to participate extensively (although it did not do so in connection with the riots of June 1953).

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- 1. [redacted] Comment: A complete failure, in this sense, would be a breakdown without agreement even on some minor technical points, a failure to agree to call a new conference on the German question, and a failure to establish commissions for further study of ways and means of bringing about reunification.

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