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- "Klon Deveti Septemvri" Wool Washing and Carding Factory [REDACTED]
1. According to a government decree effective in June or July 1953, small related industries were combined under one administration. In Gabrovo, the "Brigada" Rag Carding Factory was combined with the "Deveti Septemvri" Wool Washing and Carding Factory and was renamed "Klon Deveti Septemvri." "Klon Deveti Septemvri" is located between the Yantra River and Aleksandŭr Stamboliyski Street. Patriarkh Eftimiy Street passes south of the factory area. [REDACTED] 25X1  
[REDACTED] the following administrative officers of the "Deveti Septemvri" factory: 25X1
    - a. Kolyu Stanev Matev, Manager of the "Deveti Septemvri" Factory [REDACTED] 25X1  
[REDACTED]
    - b. Gancho Anastasov, Technical Manager of the "Klon Deveti Septemvri" [REDACTED] 25X1  
[REDACTED]
    - c. Panayot Kamanarov, Communist Party Secretary of the "Deveti Septemvri" Factory; member of the factory's administrative committee [REDACTED] 25X1

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25 YEAR RE-REVIEW

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- d. Gancho Nikolov, Chief of the "Deveti Septemvri" Factory ORPS (Obsht Rabotnicheski Profesionalen Sbyuz; General Workers' Professional Union) Committee [redacted] 25X1
- e. Khristo Gudev, member of the ORPS committee of the "Deveti Septemvri" Factory; works as a machinist in the "Klon Deveti Septemvri." 25X1
2. (Reference is made to Appendix A to this report showing the "Klon Deveti Septemvri" factory installation. This is based on a [redacted] drawing [redacted] [redacted]. The factory has thirteen carding machines, nine machines used to tear up old woolen rags, two wool carding machines and four or five dyeing vats. 25X1
3. There are three rag carding factories in Bulgaria. These are located in Sofia, Sliven and Gabrovo. The largest of these is the "Klon Deveti Septemvri." It cards rags collected in all parts of Bulgaria as well as rags imported [redacted]. This factory has a daily production of 11-12 tons of carded wool. Carded wool is sent directly to other factories for spinning. The factory has a stockpile of 30-40 tons of old rags. 25X1
4. The factory employs about 120 workers in two shifts. One shift works from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. hours, and the other works from 10 p.m. to 4 a.m. hours.
5. There are no guards at the "Klon Deveti Septemvri."
- "Surp i Chuk" Military Clothing, Shoes and Saddlery Factory [redacted] 25X1
6. The "Surp i Chuk" factory is located about 4,000 meters north of the center of Gabrovo and 1500 meters north of the Gabrovo railroad station on the west bank of the Yantra River. There is an iron foot bridge over the Yantra located near the factory. There are meadows south, woods west and orchards north of the factory. A brick kiln is located about 1500 meters southwest of the factory.
7. [redacted] the factory area is about 1000 x 1000 meters, and the entrance gate is on the east side on the road leading from Gabrovo. There are three main factory buildings. The factory has tailoring, shoemaking, saddlery and carton box sections. 25X1
8. The factory employs about 1100 workers, and 500 persons work in the tailoring section. The factory works in two shifts except when there is a rush job when a third shift is added. The first shift works from 4 a.m. to 1 p.m., and work is stopped from 6 a.m. to 6:30 a.m. hours for breakfast. The second shift works from 1:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. hours, and work is stopped from 8 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. hours for dinner. The first hour of each shift is spent in cleaning the shops and machinery. Workers change shifts each week. The factory is closed on Thursday as there is no electricity and operates on Sunday.
9. The administrative personnel of the factory consists of a manager, assistant manager, two accountants, four cashiers, two personnel officers, five typists, two telephone operators, post office clerk and eight bookkeepers.\* No Soviets are attached to the factory. The following are employed at the Surp i Chuk factory:
- a. Geno Metodiev, manager of the factory until 11 November 1952 when he was discharged for unknown reasons; not replaced as of January 1953;
- b. Dosyu Peev, assistant manager; [redacted] Communist Party member; 25X1
- c. Kincho (lnu), chief of personnel; [redacted] ardent Communist;
- d. Zhoro (lnu), cashier; [redacted] Communist Party member; 25X1

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- e. Petur (lnu), ORPS chief; [redacted] ardent Communist; 25X1
- f. Ivan Kovachev, accountant; [redacted] Communist Party member; 25X1
- g. Tsonyu (lnu), supply officer; [redacted] Communist Party member; 25X1
- h. Drenovski (fnu), operator of the public address system [redacted] 25X1
- i. Elenka Kincheva, general secretary of the DSNM (Dimitrovski Sŭyuz na Narodnata Mladezh; Dimitrov's Union of the People's Youth) [redacted] 25X1
- j. Stefan Dimitrov Chorbadzhiyski, supply officer of the factory dining room [redacted] 25X1
- k. Tikhо Kolev, Purchasing officer since 1952 [redacted] 25X1
- l. Petko Chernev, technical chief of the tailoring section [redacted] 25X1
- m. Ivan Todorov, assistant technical chief in the tailoring section [redacted] 25X1
- n. Pencho Velev, assistant technical chief of the tailoring section [redacted] 25X1
- o. Filyu (lnu), production quality inspector in the tailoring section since September 1952 [redacted] 25X1
- p. Dinyu Armenkov, DSNM secretary in the tailoring section\* [redacted] 25X1
- q. Khristo Blagoev, formerly a DSNM group leader in the tailoring section\* [redacted] 25X1
10. Every day 3000 meters of serge, an unknown quantity of material for summer uniforms, 4000 meters of black serge, 7500 meters of thin black material and 6000 meters of tenting canvas is stocked at the factory.\* The material is supplied by the Vulko Chervenkov factory in Gabrovo. Thread, buttons and similar items are supplied by other factories in Gabrovo.\*
11. The factory works on a moving belt system so that each worker does one operation. The production per shift per day averages the following:
- | <u>Item</u>   | <u>Unit</u> |
|---|-------------|
| Cotton pants (Tucked in at the boot top)                          | 120         |
| Cotton jackets with zipper opening                                | 120         |
| Officers' breeches  | 380         |
| Overcoats   | 180         |
| Officers' and enlisted men's trousers (tucked in at the boot top) | 230         |
| Gaiters   | 2000        |
| Sleeping bags with zipper opening                                 | 50          |

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In addition, middy blouses of coarse white calico, trousers for the Naval School, shirts for naval personnel, bread bags and epaulets are produced at the factory.\*

12. The factory has 300-350 electrical sewing machines, two press cutting machines, two button machines\* and 23 machines for sewing trousers.\*

13. The completed articles are turned over to Senior First Lieutenant Todorov who is the Army representative at the factory

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14. Every worker at the factory is issued a gate pass. This pass is grey and bears the picture of the worker, the seal of the manager and a seal of the security officer.\* This pass is inspected by Militia stationed at the gate. The workers are also searched by the foremen and others designated by them. About 10 Militia are stationed at the factory. They are stationed at the gate at all times and form night patrols. The factory is surrounded by barbed wire.

Vulko Chervenkov Textile Factory<sup>1</sup>

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15. The factory is located on the southwestern outskirts of Gabrovo on the Vepchevtai road. The factory installation consists of four or five buildings. The main factory building has two stories and is 50-60 meters long. Two other buildings are used as dormitories, and there is an assembly building and a bath house.

16. The factory works in three shifts and produces mainly cotton goods such as coarse calico, canvas and cambric.

Dobri Kartalov Knitting Factory

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17. The factory is located in a depression about 200-250 meters east of the Vulko Chervenkov factory and beside a small stream (probably the Sinkevitsa stream).<sup>1</sup>

Troitsa Spinning Mill<sup>2</sup>

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18. The Troitsa Spinning Mill is a branch of a factory. It is located about 100-150 meters north of the Vulko Chervenkov factory and is housed in a two-story, 40-meter-long building. Wool and cotton carding machines are on the first floor of the factory building, and spinning jennies are on the second floor.

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Bolshevik Machine Parts and Iron Factory<sup>1</sup>

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19. The factory is located about 7-8 kilometers from Gabrovo on the Kazanluk road. The Yantra River passes east of the factory. The factory building has two stories and is about 50 meters long. The factory produces machine parts and articles such as locks and keys.

23 Dekemvri Spinning Mill

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20. The factory is located about 10 kilometers from Gabrovo and north of Lyubovo village on the Kazanluk road. The Yantra River passes west of the factory which is housed in a two-story, 40-meter-long building.

Vasil Levski Tanning and Leather Factory<sup>1</sup>

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21. The factory is located between the Yantra River and the road leading to the Surp i Chuk factory and is housed in a two-story, 40-meter-long building.

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Georgi Kirkov Glue and Gum Factory

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22. The factory is located on the eastern bank of the Yantra River opposite the Surp i Chuk factory (See Appendix B). It is housed in a two-story, 50-meter-long building. The glue and gum is produced from the waste products of hides. ([redacted] this is known as the "Lepilo" Glue factory).

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Dimitur Blagoev Leather Factory<sup>1</sup>

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23. The factory is located between the Yantra River and the road leading to the Surp i Chuk factory 20-30 meters south of the railroad bridge over the Yantra River (see Appendix B). It is housed in a two-story, 50-meter-long building.

Deveti Septemvri Textile Factory

24. The factory is located on the eastern bank of the Yantra River about 800-1000 meters north of the Surp i Chuk factory (see Appendix B) and is housed in a two-story, 40-45-meter-long building. There is a foot bridge across the Yantra River near the factory.

Comments:

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2. [redacted] this is now called the Uspekh Woolen Mill Number 1.

Key to Appendix A

1. Gatehouse
2. Archives and library
3. Recreation room: previously a dining hall
4. Office of the Communist Party Secretary and official handling work norms
5. Pay office
6. Technical Manager's office
7. Public address system office
8. Spare parts storeroom (only on the first floor)
9. Food and clothing storeroom; supply office (only on the first floor)
10. First floor - storeroom for finished products; second floor-storeroom for local rags.
11. Repair shop
12. Room for sorting finished products according to quality
13. Storeroom where raw materials are sorted according to quality (second floor only)
14. Machinery departments (both floors)
15. Staircase
16. Laundry and wash room
17. Lavatories
18. Furnace room
19. Storeroom of unwashed wool
20. Dryers
21. Dyeing section
22. Fire brigade (second floor); first floor, waste space
23. Furnace room for the dyeing section
24. Leather Factory
25. Private homes

- A. Aleksandŭr Stamboliyski Street
- B. Patriarkh Evtimiy Street
- C. Yantra River

Key to Appendix B

1. Militia room
2. Public address system office
3. Communist Party club
4. Repair shop
5. Food store
6. General dormitory for women workers

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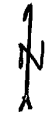
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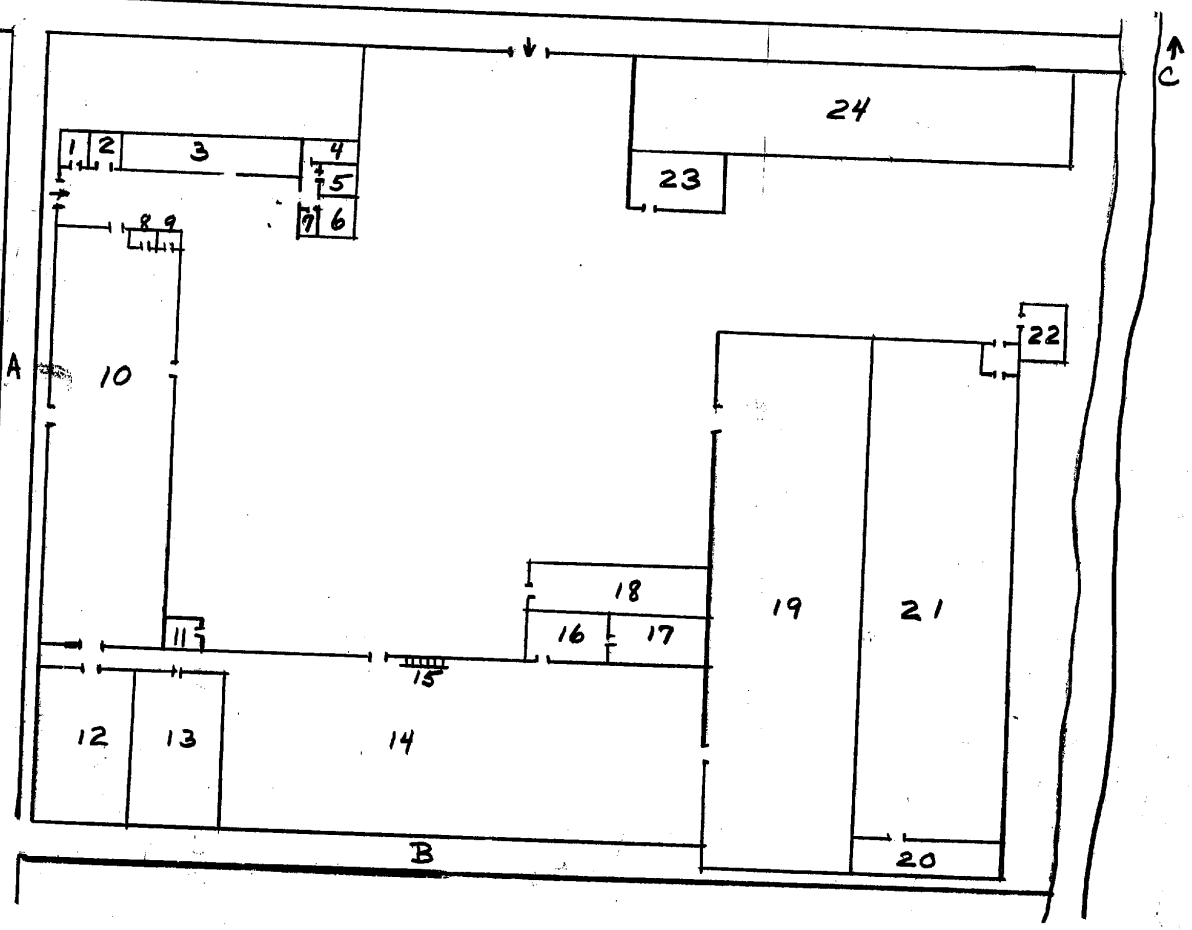
7. Carpenter's shop
8. Infirmary
9. Bath house
10. DOSO club
11. Canteen
12. Three-story, 30 x 15 meter building; first floor, restaurant and depots; second floor, administrative offices, saddlery and cardboard box section; third floor, administrative offices.
13. Three-story, 30 x 15 meter building; first floor, store rooms for yard goods and completed articles; second and third floors, tailoring section.
14. Three-story, 30 x 15 meter building; first floor, storerooms for shoe leather and shoes; second and third floors, shoemaking shops
15. Football field
16. Gasoline depot
17. Brick kiln
18. 9 Septemvri Textile factory
19. Georgi Kirkov Glue and Gum factory
20. Double railroad bridge
21. Dimitur Blagoev Leather factory

- A. Yantra River
- B. Orchards
- C. Woods
- D. Slope
- E. Meadow
- F. Vurbanovo
- G. Gabrovo

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