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COUNTRY East Germany

TOPIC Buildings in Strausberg and in the Eggesin Area

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REMARKS [redacted]

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1. In early November 1954, a direct approach to Strausberg airfield, which bypassed the town of Strausberg, was under construction. The extension of the elevated railroad from Strausberg railroad station as far as the KVP installation was under way. 1

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2. In early November, it was learned that the target dates for the completion of the buildings had largely been exceeded. [redacted] this was due to continuous alterations of the plans on the part of the KVP.

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3. On 21 November, the administrative building of installation Ib was completed. Garages and drivers' quarters were under construction. 2

4. Building 3 in installation Seehaus, which was scheduled for completion in late December 1954, will probably not be completed by this time because of difficulties in the procurement of material. 3

5. In mid-November, it was learned [redacted] that 130 apartments were to be completed on Bad Strasse in Strausberg by 1 December. The apartments were in two-story houses for officers' dependents. 4

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6. [redacted] KVP underground installations were being built near Bad Saarow.

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7. [redacted] plan [redacted] for installation Seehaus on 19 November:

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1955: completion of a club, an unfinished building of officers' quarters, construction of garages with 150 bays for trucks and a service station with a capacity of 60,000 liters along the new road.

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1956: numerous garages for trucks and sedans, a service station, 2 school buildings, and 60 quarters outside the installation.

1957: Additional garages and quarters. 4 and 5

8. In late November, construction work in the area of Armeegruppe Nord made only little progress. It was estimated that the construction plan would be met only about 80 percent by the end of 1954. Difficulties regarding the procurement of material and workers would also further hamper the progress of construction work. In addition, many young workers had left their working place for jobs with better pay. In the area of Mechanized Division Eggesin, it was expected that the garages, except for the roof covering, would be completed by the end of the year. Work on the work-shops and oil preheaters would, however, not be completed prior to May or June 1955. Scheduled road construction work in the installations of Spechtberg and Karpin will presumably be completed by late December 1954, while only 10 percent of the concrete areas scheduled to be constructed in the parks will be completed.

9. In late November, only 15,000,000 DM east of the requested sum of 24,000,000 DM east were allotted for installations of Mechanized Division Eggesin in 1955. Only 40 percent of the calculated costs for road constructions in Spechtberg and Karpin were entered on the 1955 plan.

1. [Redacted] Comment. Information on extension work on the elevated railroad was previously forwarded. [Redacted]

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2. [Redacted] Comment. This is sector Ib of installation I "Seehaus" which adjoins sector Ia to the southwest. It is assumed that the sedan battalion still stationed in Adlershof and, possibly, also elements of the truck regiment will be quartered there.

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3. [Redacted] Comment. [Redacted] Building No 3 is the so-called general staff building the interior decoration of which was stopped on 20 November, since Walter Ulbricht found it too luxurious. [Redacted]

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4. [Redacted] Comment. Bad Strasse is located in the northern sector of the town on the shore of Straus Lake in an area which is scheduled for apartment buildings.

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5. [Redacted] Comment. The garages are believed to have been planned for sector Ib which was scheduled in early 1954 to have a total of 266 bays. The plan was to be carried through by late 1954.

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