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1. Naval Vessels and Activities: naval vessels alongside the naval quay 25X1

On 1 August these vessels put to sea and gunfire was heard. Two yachts and a training ship also participated in these maneuvers. Another yacht took people from the quay to the vessels for visiting. The vessels re-entered the harbor the same day. They went out again on 5 August and again gunfire was heard. After unloading, ship was moored along the quay at berth No. 18. A target which had been used during the firing exercises was brought into berth No. 16 where there were several other targets. the target had not been hit. 25X1

2. Port Facilities: A commercial ship was under repair in a floating dock at berth No. 23. Berth No. 15 was being repaired of damage suffered during World War II. On the quay were two heavy cranes of two-ton capacity. Connected with silo No. 12 there are three or four cranes and two elevators which are used to load wheat. There are four two-ton capacity electrically driven, mobile cranes located along the quay at berths 8 to 11.

3. Port Construction: Two wooden buildings had been demolished and another building was being demolished. Construction was underway to replace these buildings. Excavating machines and cement mixers were being used and soldiers working in the evening provided the labor force.

4. the condition of the people seemed to be better than it had been eight months previously. There is no unemployment; shops which were closed are now open, and some items are found on the free market. Government buildings are being repaired and public places are receiving better care. 25X1

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