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REPORT

TOPIC Wildpark-West Kaserne

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REMARKS		

This is UNEVALUATED Information

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1. Between 4 January and 1 February 1955, the Wildpark-West Kaserne was observed twice and the occupation strength was estimated to be around 2,300 to 2,500 men. All of the quartering buildings were apparently observed except for the former underground command bunker which was separated from the installation by a high and dense board fence. The individual buildings were apparently occupied as follows ;

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Building No 1

- Unit Zevakin with about 500 men
- Unidentified air force unit with about 500 men
- Army signal unit with about 100 men in the southern section of the building; the unit was serviced by the Werder Kech office with Senior Lieutenant Atamanov (fnu) as chief.

Building No 2

This building housed the large kitchen and central heating for the barracks buildings. The cellar housed the transformer station for the barracks buildings and the transformer station for the Potsdam broadcasting station.

Building No 3

- Air Force Unit Stradivnov to which Major Golubev (fnu) was presumably assigned.
- Unit of supply officer Major Osetrov (not Osetsov) (fnu) in the southern section. This unit had a strength of about 200 men.

Building No 4

This building housed the gymnasium, swimming bath and motion picture theater.

Buildings Nos 5 and 6

Air Force Unit Galkin (fnu) was quartered there. [redacted] that Lieutenant Colonel Stradivnov was the superior of 2 unit commanders, Major Galkin and Captain Golubev. [redacted] it appeared as though the 2 units were separate units which had allegedly arrived from Leipzig in mid-December 1954. Unlike all other buildings, building No 6 was guarded by an air force sentry who was posted in front of the main entrance.

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Command bunker No 7

The bunker was separated from the other barracks area by a high board fence. The course of the fence could not be observed because the terrain was partially hilly and partially covered with woods. In January, a German electrician received permission from Lieutenant Colonel Zevatkin (fnu) to enter the bunker to determine if the transformer had been switched off by the Soviet electricians. This was done because the German electricians presumed that other barracks buildings were supplied with electric power from this transformer. Somewhat later, however, the permission was withdrawn. Since that time, the German electricians have refused to do repair work in some of the barracks buildings. They asked that the transformer in the bunker be switched off during their work. But no German was allowed to enter the bunker and the Soviets refused to give any information concerning the installation. Therefore, it has not been determined whether the bunker has a heating installation of its own or whether it is heated from building No 2. The occupation of the bunker was also unknown.

Buildings No 8

The buildings housed families and individual dependents.

Building No 9

The installation housed classrooms.

Building No 10

The installation was unoccupied . 1

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2. The following rail shipments were observed at Wildpark railroad station:

24 January. At about 23:45, a shipment of 3 caterpillar tractors, 1 tank truck, 2 truck trailers, 2 snow plows, 1 concrete tamping machine, 1 boxcar with about 25 air force soldiers and truck [redacted] arrived at Wildpark railroad station, coming from Rothenburg/Lausitz. The shipment was unloaded between 0130 and 0330 on the following morning. 2

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29 January. During the morning, the following railroad cars from Tutow were being unloaded:

3 flatcars with sideracks loaded with building equipment and machines.

1 boxcar with billeting equipment and 12 air force soldiers.

Also during the morning, the following railroad cars from Vogelsang were unloaded:

5 flatcars with sideracks loaded with building equipment and machines.

2 boxcars with billeting equipment and about 20 air force soldiers.

The two shipments observed on 29 January arrived with the regular freight train. 3

1. Comment. [redacted]

For layout sketch of barracks area, see Annex. The numbers mentioned in the report are keyed to this sketch.

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2. [redacted]

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3. Comment. These shipments carried rear details of the air force construction units that were transferred to Wildpark-West.

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