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TOPIC	1. Polish Signal Troops in Warsaw - Okecie		25X1
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This is UNEVALUATED  
Information


1. In October 1953, a large barracks installation which was occupied to capacity by Polish soldiers who wore khaki uniforms was observed in the southwestern sector of Warsaw on the west side of Al. Zwirki in Wigury and just north of Okecie airfield. It consisted of buildings which were newly constructed in 1951 or 1952. In October 1953, those buildings which fronted on the street were still not stuccoed. The installation was accessible through three gates on A. Zwirki in Wigury. A two-story guardhouse was located at each gate. At night, two four-story apartment houses which were occupied by the dependents of soldiers were observed along the street. Garages were arranged in a long line on the south side of the installation. The barracks area included a theater which had a capacity of about 1,500 men, and an officers' mess. Due to darkness, the rest of the buildings and installations located in this area could not be identified. 25X1
2. On May Day and the October holidays, the troops located in the installation annually constructed the necessary telephone installations in the demonstration and parade areas. A signal training center of the armed forces was allegedly stationed at this installation. Colonel Afanasiev (fna) who spoke only Russian was commander of the unit. The officers included other Soviets whose wives were clearly identified as Russians by their appearance.
3. In May 1954, the summer camp of the troops from Warsaw-Okecie was located in a pine grove near Benjaminow (R 53/F 01). A walk from the gate of this large camp which was enclosed by a barbed-wire fence to the cultural room took almost 30 minutes to cover. The camp included numerous randomly wooden two-story buildings arranged at random. Imprints caused by track-laying vehicles were also observed in the area of the camp. During the May 1954 ceremonies, however, no tanks or other heavy weapons were observed.
4. Prior to mid-November 1953, an extensive newly-constructed barracks installation which quartered Polish soldiers who wore khaki uniforms and red service color was observed southwest of Warsaw on the west side of a highway. The longitudinal sides of two large barracks buildings of equal size which were constructed of red brick was parallel with the road. Several long sheds with trucks parked in front of them were observed at the rear of these buildings. Three-axle STAR-20 trucks which were occupied by enlisted men were observed leaving the installation. 25X1

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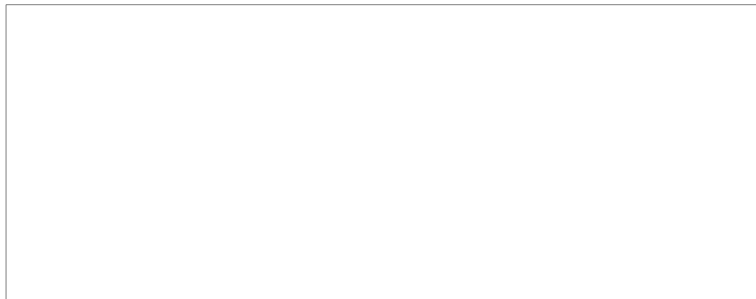
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1.  Comment. The barracks installation on the west side of Al. Zwirki in Wigury and just north of Okecie airfield is reported for the first time. It is believed that the unit observed in the area of this installation is a signal regiment. Since the signal unit of the 1st Div is known to be located in the barracks installations in Praga, the unit is probably the headquarters signal regiment of the 1st MD or the MNO.

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2.  Comment. The summer camp near Benjaminow is unknown.

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