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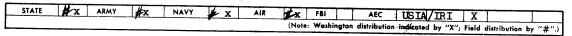
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Border Guard Komandatura at Raykova Mogila (N 4150 E 2619), Svilengrad Okoliya

1. On the northern edge of the village of Raykova Mogila and on the western side of the highway to the village of Mustrak (N 4152 E 2619) there are Border Guard barracks which were built in 1948. These barracks are two-story, whitewashed buildings, about 20 by 10 meters in size with red tile roofs. There is one smaller building near the barracks where the families of the Border Guard officers are quartered. The entire area is surrounded by a barbed wire fence.

2. 100 soldiers and 10 to 15 officers quartered in these barracks. They are armed with rifles, automatic pistols and machine suns.

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It is a Border Guard Komandatura because of its size.

Border Guard Zastava in the Village of Shtit (N 4149 E 2622), Swilengrad Okoliva

3. There is a Border Guard Zastava in the village of Shtit, which is located on the western edge of the village between the village and the village graveyard, on the southern side of the Raykova Mogila-Shtit highway. The Zastava consists of an old, one-story, whitewashed building covered with Turkish tiles. The area of the Zastava is surrounded by barbed wire.

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. Naryads (patrols) are constantly posted by this Zastava along the Shtit Pashovo (N 4150 E 2623) road.

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Border Guard Zastava in the Gebranskata Quarter of the Town of Swilengrad

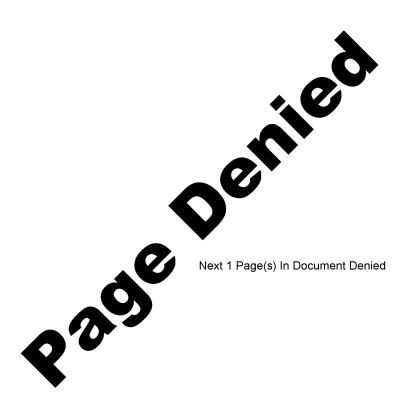
5. There is a Border Guard Zastava situated in the Gebranskate Charter of the town of Svilengrad

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Village of Mustrak (N 4152 E 2619). Svilengrad Okoliva

- 1. The village of Mustrak is subject to the control of the central mayorship of the village Nova Lefka (N 4154 E 2617), Swilengrad Okoliya. Also subject to the control of this central mayorship are the following villages: Stara Lefka (N 4151 E 2616), Ravna Gora (N 4152 E 2621) and Lisovo (N 4157 E 2619).
- The village Mustrak is in the second border zone, and the passports of all the inhabitants are stamped with the second border zone stamp which carries the letter "K".
- The village has about 150 houses and an entirely Bulgarian population of approximately 600.
- 4. The fields surrounding the village are not fertile and yield very little. The villagers are required to turn over to the government 200 tons of feedstuffs and 60 tons of cotton yearly. One of the population's greatest problems is the growing of the required food, tobacco and cotton in the unfertile soil, and it is practically impossible for them to meet the government demands.
- 5. Another grave problem is the imposition of different fines upon the people. Individuals are fined for the unlawful cutting of wood (up to 1,500 leva for cutting a few branches for use in the tobacco fields). Fines of up to 1,500 leva are imposed if cattle are found grazing in forbidden areas. The land tax must be paid

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tax (for informant 200 leva per year). In addition, payments on the government forced loan "Vtora Petiletka - 1954" must be met.

- 6. The village Mustrak has neither electricity nor irrigation. The houses have no running water. Drinking water comes from a single well in the village.
- 7. The village has a branch of the large cooperative in Nova Lefka. The manager for the branch is Georgi Ryapov ZHELYASZKOV. There is also a Khoremag restaurant in the village, the manager of which is Dimitur Kostadinov IVANOV

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returning families were furnished with special documents from Sofia which entitled them to make the trip.

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general order applicable throughout the country.

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