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1. The Soviet air force unit in the former Roseneck estate, about two kilometers southwest of Schweinrich on the south side of the Wittstock-Lutterow road, is subordinate to the command of Wittstock airfield. It provides the guards for the observation towers on the bomb release grounds in the Gadow-Hammelstall 25X1 area.
2. The unit has a strength of about ten officers and 25 enlisted men. The commanding officer is Major Boshko. The married officers live with their families in Roseneck.
3. The unit uses the following buildings on the estate: 25X1
  - a. The former mansion with about 20 rooms.
  - b. A former stable, about 60 meters long with projecting roof, equipped as an accommodation building in Autumn 1954. A part of this former stable houses 12 horses.
  - c. Former servants' quarters which were occupied by four German families until the summer of 1954 when the military took them over for accommodation.
  - d. A barn, with roof and open sides, used as a garage for three or four trucks.
4. Between the barn and the Wittstock-Lutterow road lies a unit fuel dump. Motor fuel containers are stored in an earth bunker. Above ground there are about 200 fuel drums.
5. A two-strand telephone line leads into the former mansion from the direction of Paulshof-Gadow. It is attached directly to the telegraph poles, each wire with a porcelain insulator.
6. The building compound, with the exception of the former servants' quarters, is fenced off with a simple lathe fence. No sentries were seen.

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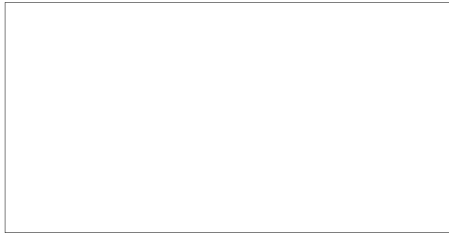
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7. Only one German family is still living in the building complex of the former Roseneck estate. They have a small holding directly west of the former servants' quarters.
8. Opposite the former Roseneck estate on the north side of the Wittstock-Lutterow road lies an emergency airfield. There is no concrete runway, and only a grass surface on leveled ground. The size is about 3,000 square meters, after its extension by 1000 square meters in 1951. The ground is not fenced in.
9. Up to now, except in wintry weather, two to four biplanes, each with single radial engine, have stood on the airfield.
10. No signal installation has been seen on the airfield or within the compound.



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