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1. Toward the end of May 1955, VEB Carl Zeiss Jena received an inquiry regarding naval rangefinders (Entfernungsmesser) with a two-meter base from Central Development Office (Zentrales Entwicklungsbuero) No.1 located at Wolgast near Greifswald, otherwise unidentified.

2. During World War II, Zeiss Jena produced various naval-type rangefinders, but their most common models had either a one-meter base or a four-meter base. As of May 1955, no production or development of a two-meter base rangefinder had been undertaken by Zeiss Jena.

3. Zeiss replied to the Central Development Office No. 1 that the requested two-meter-base rangefinder was not available and that no production of this item was contemplated in the near future.

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