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1. The building of the [Redacted] ship (of the KOLNO type) at the shipyard in Szczecin had to be interrupted owing to the overturning, on 25 February 1955, of the crane near the slipway on which the ship lay. Investigations lasting two months delayed the repair of the crane, which was not to be put in commission again until mid-June.

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2. The next ship of this type [Redacted] was launched on 31 May 1955 and is destined for the Soviet merchant service.

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3. In 1955 and 1956 the Szczecin shipyard is to construct further ships of this type [Redacted] these are earmarked for service with the Polish merchant navy.

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4. Apart from the ships of this type, keels are to be laid in the fall of 1955 for two ships of 5,000 BRT each, of the DONBAS type (identical with the WISLA type). Until now, these ships were built in the Gdansk shipyard. Two ships of this class (the GDYNIA and the SZCZECIN) are now serving with the Polish Zegluga Morska (Polish Steamship Company).

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