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The following is a summary of information on Soviet-occupied airfields and air activities received prior to 10 August:

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1. Aircraft Count:

Brandenburg-Briest: 25 to 30 MIG-15's on 1 August.
 Brandenburg-Industrieafen: 32 IL-10's on 1 August.
 Doeberitz: 43 IL-10's on 28 July.
 Finow: 60 MIG-15's and MIG-17's on 6 August.
 Jueterbog: 45 MIG-15's and MIG-17's and two IL-28's on 3 August.
 Koethen: 46 MIG-15's and MIG-17's on 3 August.
 Neuruppin: 36 MIG-15's and two IL-28's on 25 July.
 Oranienburg: about 40 IL-28's on 1 August.

2. Air Activity:

During good weather, units of the 24th Air Army were engaged in very intensive air activity along the usual pattern. On 2 August, approximately 33 IL-28's and IIL-28's were counted at Welzow airfield and conducted local as well as high-altitude flights.¹ On 5 August, 48 IL-10's landed at Doeberitz and parked along the northwestern edge. There was no change in the complement of 43 IL-10's previously observed along the northwestern edge.²

3. Construction Projects:

Because of the high work quota coupled with low pay, many skilled workers left Gross Doelln airfield. Early in August, about 40 carpenters of the Bau-Union Magdeburg quit their jobs, in some instances without release papers. Their places have been taken by apprentices, a fact which has delayed the progress of the work.

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4. Air Force Shipments:

On 25 July, a train with 25 crated aircraft went from Brest-Litovsk to Merseburg.³ On 29 June, 16 railroad tank cars arrived at Finow airfield. One train of unidentified composition went from Brest-Litovsk to Welzow on 30 July, another such train from Vogelsang to Gross Doelln on 1 August.⁴

1.  Comment: One bomber unit, presumably consisting of two regiments, arrived at Welzow after ground personnel had been shipped there by rail. Twelve IL-28's, from Welzow are still located at Briesen where they have been stationed since about mid-June. 25X1
2.  Comment: Aircraft of the ground-attack division from Brandenburg were probably concentrated temporarily for exercises. 25X1
3.  Comment: Possibly MIG-17's for fighter units of the 24th Air Army. 25X1
4.  Comment: The shipments may be connected with the arrival of a new IL-28 unit. Of eleven expected trains, six have gone to Welzow and one to Gross Doelln. If all eleven trains are used, this may mean the arrival of one bomber division with three regiments. 25X1

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