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COUNTRY Germany REPORT TOPIC Stendal airfield 25X1EVALUATION  PLACE OBTAINED  25X1DATE OF CONTENT DATE OBTAINED  DATE PREPARED 28 July 1955 25X1REFERENCES PAGES 2 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE) REMARKS 

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1. Prior to 1100 on 27 May 1955, there was no air activity at Stendal airfield. Twenty-six Il-10s were parked in two lines about 200 meters southeast of the hangars in the northeastern corner of the field. <sup>1</sup> 25X1
2. The AA gun emplacement north of Neues Lager, about 500 meters east of the road leading to Stendal - Borstel, was equipped with 4 x 37-mm model 1939 AA guns.
3. The following air activity and aircraft were observed at Stendal airfield between 27 May and 9 June 1955:
- 27 May and 4 June. There was intensive air activity by Il-10s, which flew individually or in elements of two.
- 9 June. Twenty-eight Il-10s were parked in two lines with their noses opposite each other in the northeastern corner of the field.
4. Neues Lager was apparently evacuated during the period under observation. No soldiers or sentries were seen and the gate at the road was closed. There were rumors indicating that the installation has been evacuated because of a scheduled occupation by the KVP. <sup>2</sup>
5. The AA gun emplacement northeast of Neues Lager was unusually silent. Two guns, presumably 20-mm AA guns, were observed. <sup>2</sup> One Fishnet-type radar set was seen in the immediate of the AA gun emplacement.
6. On 9 June 1955, two trucks coming from the direction of Stendal entered the airfield. One NCO and about 10 EM with red-bordered black epaulets were observed carrying cable reels.
7. On 9 June 1955, there was no air activity at the field. About 30 Il-10s were seen parked in the northeastern corner of the field. Some of the painted aircraft had blue tactical signs on the upper fourth of rudder. <sup>1</sup> 25X1 grey
8. The Neues Lager was only lightly occupied. <sup>2</sup>
9. The AA gun emplacement northeast of Neues Lager was occupied, and 20-mm AA guns were observed.

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10. Sedan [redacted] was seen moving from the airfield in the direction of Stendal. 25X1
11. The following air activity and aircraft were observed: 25X1
- 4 June. Between 0800 and 1230, 11 Il-10s practiced individual flying at the field. [redacted] 25X1
- 18 June. Between 0700 and 1000, 11 Il-10s practiced individual flying at the field while flying in elements of two was practiced between 1000 and noon. 25X1
- [redacted] The red stars on the aircraft had a white border. Light-blue markings were seen on the rear upper edge of the rudders and on the fuselages. 2 25X1
12. At about noon on 4 June 1955, no soldiers or sentries were observed at Neues Lager or at the gates. The board fence, about 2 meters high, surrounding Neues Lager was partly destroyed at the northern and eastern sides. Previously, soldiers were often seen moving between Neues Lager and the AA gun emplacement northeast of the camp. 2
13. At about 1600 on 3 June, a single-mast radio station with two small wooden houses was observed 1 km. west of the Jarchau stopping place north-northeast of Stendal. A telephone circuit led via wooden masts from the radio station to the civil telephone circuit in Stendal. About 10 soldiers wearing black-bordered blue epaulets were observed at the radio station. 3
1. [redacted] Comment. Stendal airfield is still occupied by a ground-attack regiment, which is probably equipped with 30 Il-10s. 25X1
2. [redacted] Comment. [redacted] the AA unit, which was previously stationed at Neues Lager, was transferred from Stendal - Borstel to Oranienburg and arrived at the Sachsenhausen camp near Oranienburg on 29/30 May 1955. This unit was assigned for defense of the airfield which is occupied by Il-28s. In this connection the reported 20-mm AA guns instead of the previous 37-mm AA guns is credible. 25X1
3. [redacted] Comment. The erection of the single-mast radio station was first reported in December 1952. This installation probably is an approach beacon. 25X1

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