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TOPIC	Activities of the 7th Gds Mecz Div. and the 10th Gds Tank Div. at Frankfurt/Oder, Fuerstenwalde, Lieberose and Potsdam		25X1
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1. Between 18 to 26 July 1955, the Buelow Kaserne (4441) in Frankfurt/Oder was occupied to capacity by approximately 2,000 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets with tank, artillery, signal and motor transport insignia. The following heavy weapons were observed: 8 x 85-mm or 100-mm AT guns, 6 JS tanks and each 3 T-34/85 tanks on 18, 22 and 25 July.

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2. Between 18 and 26 July, the Artillerie Kaserne (4442) in Frankfurt/Oder was about 50 percent occupied. On 19 and 21 July, 4 x 37-mm AA guns each and, on 23 July, 8 x 37-mm AA guns were seen in the installation.

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3. At 2100 on 17 July, 12 JS tanks, which came from the direction of Horn Kaserne (4445) were loaded at the Frankfurt/Oder railroad station. At about 0200 on 26 July, 10 tanks of an undetermined type were seen en route from the direction of the railroad station toward Horn Kaserne. 3

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4. At 1100 on 27 July, 8 T-34/85 tanks, 4 trucks and approximately 120 soldiers were loaded at the Jamlitz railroad station at the Lieberose training grounds. At 2000, 3 JS (?) tanks and 8 trucks, the latter presumably from the Hindenburg Kaserne in Frankfurt/Oder, were entrained. Both shipments left toward Frankfurt/Oder. 4

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5. Between 27 and 30 July, the Fliegerhorst Kaserne (4503) in Fuerstenwalde was occupied as previously by approximately 2,000 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery and signal insignia. No training was observed. Intensive construction activity and 76-mm AA guns were observed in the northeast section of the installation. The AAA emplacements at the western border of the

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area were vacant, but were being improved by about 30 men on 29 and 30 July. Some 20 soldiers engaged in excavation work for 3 more AAA emplacements in the quartering area south of the Fuerstenwalde-Steinboefel road. On 29 and 30 July, telephone lines were being hung on new poles from the installation to the AAA emplacements. 5

- 6. Between 27 and 30 July, the Pionier Kaserne (4502) in Fuerstenwalde was occupied by 2,500 to 3,000 soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets with tank and artillery insignia. On 29 and 30 July, 10 T-34/85 tanks engaged in mock attacks west of the drill grounds. Approximately 8 T-34/85 and 4 JS tanks were being serviced in the installation. 6

- 7. Between 23 and 27 July, the Adolf Hitler Kaserne (2287) in Potsdam was only lightly occupied. No training was observed. The sheds on the west side of the installation were empty. The driving school unit was definitely present at the installation. [redacted]

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- 8. Between 23 and 27 July, the Kriegsschule (2288) in Potsdam was occupied by approximately 500 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia. Three vehicle sheds were empty on 27 July. A considerable number of 122-mm field howitzers but no other weapons were seen in the installation. 8

- 9. Between 22 July and 4 August, the Kriegsschule (2288) and the Adolf Hitler Kaserne (2287) in Potsdam appeared to be occupied to capacity (number of lighted windows). A T-54 tank was definitely observed in the Adolf Hitler Kaserne. 7

- 1. Comment. The information does not indicate major changes in the Buelow Kaserne in Frankfurt/Oder. The motor vehicles seen there are believed to belong to the Fourth Gds Mecz Army, Frankfurt/Oder post.

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- 2. Comment. Elements of the 32d AAA Div. stationed in the Artillerie Kaserne in Frankfurt/Oder were transferred to the Jueterbog training grounds on 1 July. [redacted]

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- 3. Comment. A tank firing detail of the 84th Gds Hv Tank SP Regt of the 7th Gds Mecz Div. was loaded and returned.

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- 4. Comment. The observations confirm the known return to Frankfurt/Oder of the tank firing details of the 7th Gds Mecz Div. which had been detained in Lieberose on 16 July. [redacted]

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5. [redacted] Comment. The information indicates no completed or planned changes in the occupation of the Fliegerhorst Kaserne in Fuerstenwalde. 25X1

6. [redacted] Comment. The information indicates no changes in the occupation of the Pionier Kaserne in Fuerstenwalde. 25X1

7. [redacted] Comment. Elements of the units of the 10th Gds Tank Div. stationed in the Adolf Hitler Kaserne in Potsdam were stationed at the Templin training grounds and other elements at the Letzling Heath during the period under review. (Tank firing details). [redacted] 25X1  
[redacted] T-54 tanks were repeatedly observed with the 25X1  
63d Gds Tank Regt. The motor vehicle [redacted] in Potsdam. 25X1  
The fact that the installation was fully lighted does not necessarily indicate that the installation was occupied to capacity. (See Kriegsschule Potsdam).

8. [redacted] Comment. On 11 and 12 July, units of the 359th AAA Regt of the 10th Gds Tank Div. transferred to the Wustrow firing range in 3 shipments. [redacted] 25X1  
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