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[Redacted] report on the construction of a new paper mill near Steti (N 50-27, E 14-23). The report states that construction has been underway since 1952. A sketch showing location and layout is included.

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In the reconstructed buildings production of paper goods (cardboard, cardboard boxes for candles and margarine) has been started (1952) under the firm's name Paper-Mill, national enterprise, plant Steti.

In 1952, construction has begun under the supervision of the State Planning of a new Paper-Mill which should comprise 39 branches and which should be completed during the year 1956. It is supposed to be a giant paper-complex where cellulose, wood-paper, fine-quality paper and cardboard will be manufactured. The planned project is regarded as a very important enterprise and should serve in addition to civilian needs also to military purposes.

In spite of many state controls which are supervising progress of the construction (a twice a week inspection is maintained) the prescribed plan has been fulfilled from 50 to 70% only.

In 1955, [redacted] mechanics arrived in order to assemble the already delivered machinery. 25X1

At the beginning of 1956, the fine paper production hall was completed which was scheduled to produce in 1956. Other production halls are scheduled for production in 1957.

The construction is being done by the Frumstav Pardubice. To meet the target of completion additional 200 to the original 400 workers were to be hired by the management of Frumstav.

2. Location:

A) The old Sugar Mill, where is now cardboard and cardboard boxes production, is situated by the northern tip of Steti on the eastern side of the Steti - Hostka road. Some 200 persons - mostly women - work two shifts in here.

The new paper-complex is under construction on an approximate area 700 x 400, and the area extends about 700 meters along the Steti - Hostka road, in northern direction.

3. Director of the Paper-Mill, n.e. plant Steti:

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Mohelnik (fnu), [redacted]

Cadre referent: Machek (fnu), [redacted]

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h. Key to attached sketch:

- 1) Fence surrounding the planned paper complex by wire fence.
- 2) Branch-line: from the original railroad branch-line, which led to the old Sugar Mill from the Steti RR-station, a new branch-line was built which branches off at the bend and leads to the planned complex. Inside the plant's area tracks lead to each hall.
- 3) Pine paper production hall: A ferre-concrete hall of an approx. length 120 meters. The machinery [redacted] and the assembling completed at the end of 1955. 25X1
- 4) Boiler house: On the southeastern tip of the planned paper-complex is a ferre-concrete boiler house with adjoining chimney of about 50 meters height.
- 5) Administration building: By the plant's entrance are two buildings. The north building is 2-storied, approx. 50 x 20 meters housing temporarily offices of the Prumstav. The second building is 4-storied, approx. 60 x 30 meters, housing technical and administrative offices.
- 6) Wood-cutting hall: A ferre-concrete hall, approx. 100 x 100 meters situated on the northeastern tip of the plant's area. In April 1956, new machinery began to be installed [redacted]

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In addition to the above listed building there are several halls under construction as well as stores and buildings [redacted]

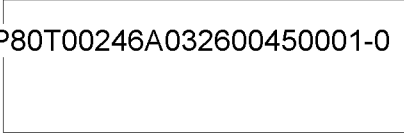
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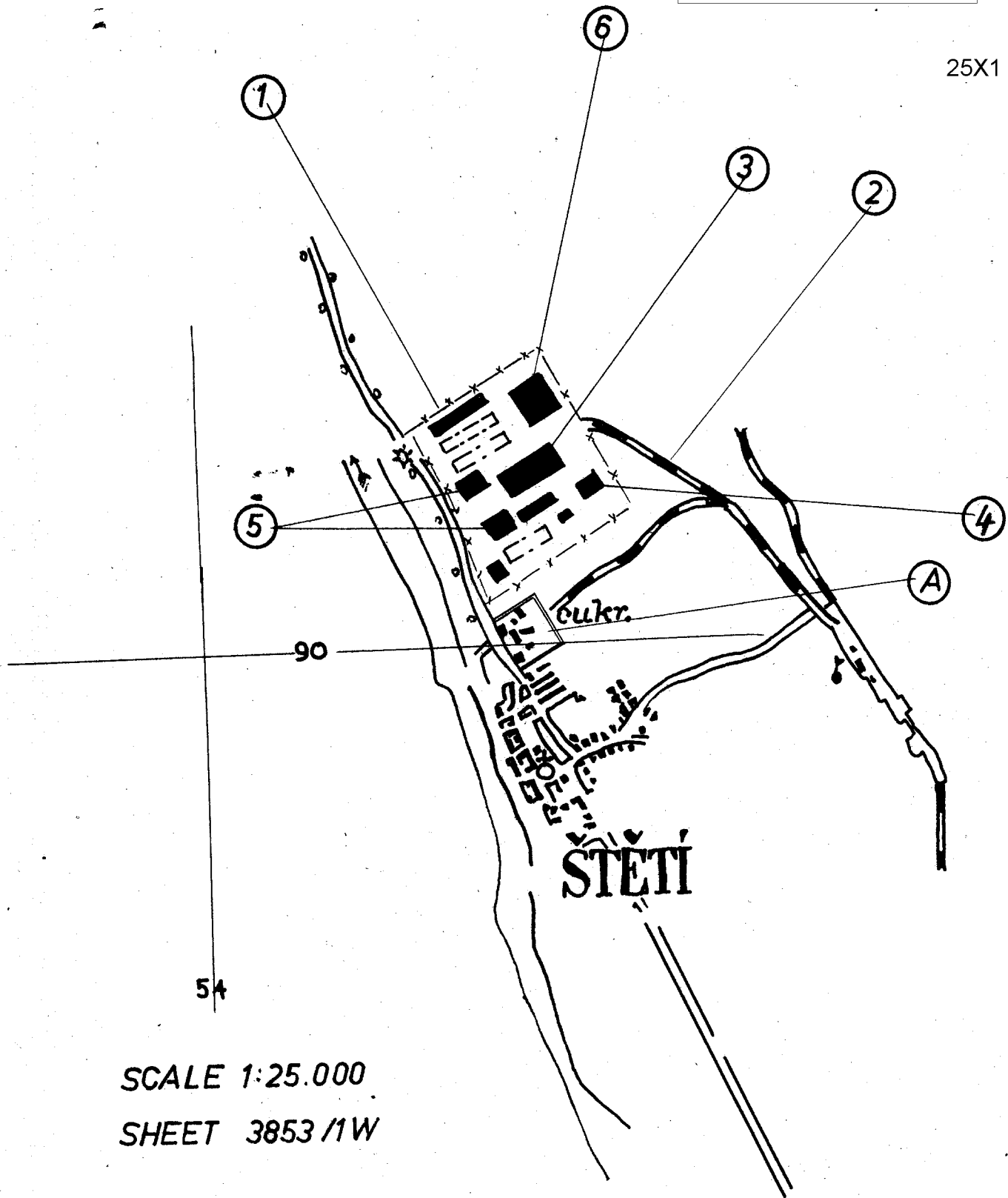
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