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[redacted] report and a legend on Finow airfield. The report gives information on prohibited areas, roads, watchtowers, fences, radar, construction, blast shelters, and the runway.

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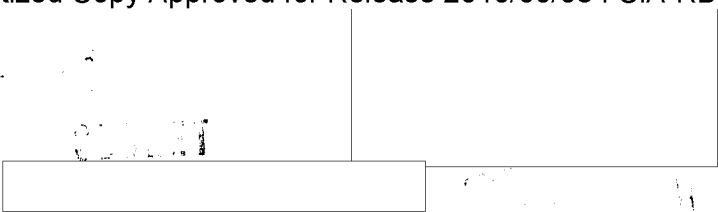
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Observations at FINOW airfield on 28th July, 1957

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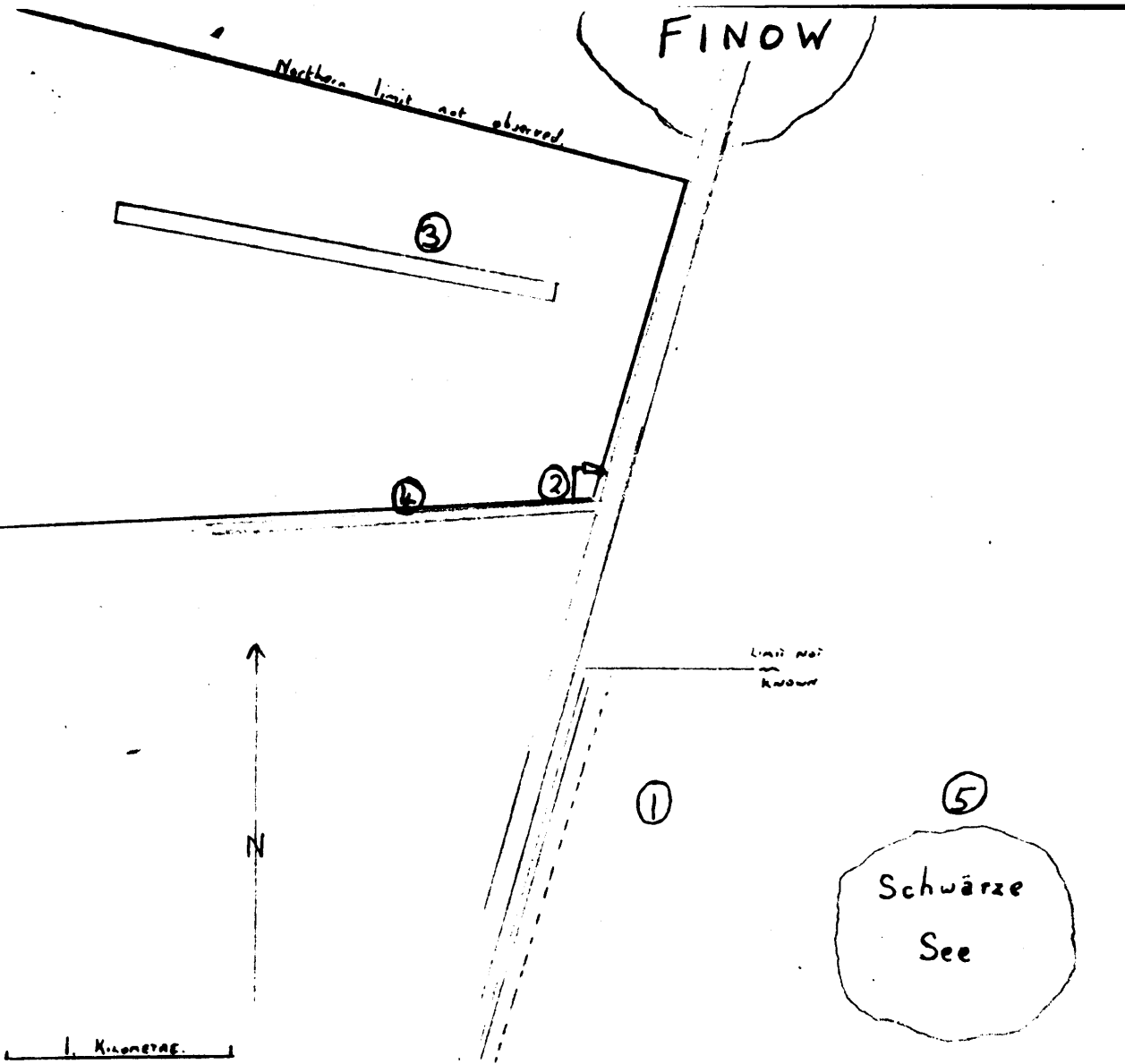
1. Prohibited area in which Soviet troops were observed with grey or black shoulderboards. A concrete road runs the length of the prohibited area parallel with the main road. There are no turnings off this concrete road leading into the prohibited area. Three or four watchtowers stand alongside the road and a double barbed wire fence was seen further into the wood again parallel with the road.
2. The South Eastern border of the airfield is fenced but it is possible to see through this in places and the only structure in the area is the windsock. No RADAR is installed in this area and there is no sign that any has recently been installed.
3. The runway is of concrete and work was in progress at both ends of it. At the Eastern end spraying to prevent quick drying of new concrete was being done. Concrete mixers could be heard working at the Western end of the runway.
4. The normal thickness of the concrete runway is 50/60 cms. Constant reinforcement has been necessary in places to make good subsidence. This has built up the thickness of the runway to 80 cms. in the areas affected. Drainage of the area has been undertaken to halt this subsidence but has not yet been effective.
5. Along the track, [redacted] several war-time blast shelters for fighter aircraft - a crashed aircraft, two barrack huts and on the airfield six light aircraft described as being like a STORCH.
6. The area of SCHWARTSEE is not used for any military purpose.

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