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- A - Wroclaw [redacted]
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In the forest, situated approximately 7 km from HAJNOWKA, are located military barracks. Although the barracks themselves are small, and the estimated number of troops stationed there is no more than 400, the restricted area protected by barbed wire entanglements stretched for a considerable distance. The gate nearer to HAJNOWKA was 4 km out of town and there was another one 3 km further away. For the last two years building work has been in progress within this area. Military [redacted] collected bricks and other building materials from HAJNOWKA station. On one occasion a transport of goods arrived by rail packed in crates and marked "Glass: Fragile".

Approximately 100 civilian residents from HAJNOWKA were working in the restricted area, mostly as labourers, but not even their closest friends knew what they were working on. One of them, MLYNARCZYK Tadeusz, worked in a chemical laboratory, but no further details are available.

2. PARA-MILITARY

- (a) WOP barracks were located in Ul. Proletariacka in HAJNOWKA. They had been handed over to the town Civil Administration for use as a medical centre.
- (b) For the last few months the frontier zone on the Polish side of the Russo-Polish border, which in the past was guarded by WOP, is not guarded at all, and the troops who used to do guard duty have left the town.

3. ROADS

- (a) A new road had been constructed during 1956 and 1957 linking HAJNOWKA and KLESZCZE. In August 1957 the road had not been quite completed and the surface is still to be completed.
- (b) HAJNOWKA - BIELSK PODLASKI - the road is a wide one, capable of taking three lanes of traffic. It has a surface of small stones.
- (c) HAJNOWKA - BIALOWIERZ - a wide road capable of taking three lanes of traffic; rolled small stone surface. Part of the road which makes up Ul. Igo Maja has paved stone surface.

4. CIVIL DEFENCE

There was no evidence of Civil Defence preparations in HAJNOWKA or in other towns around. No special exercises have been held and no instructions issued.

5. CZEREMCHA (situated approximately 55 km NW of BRZESC/BREST LITOVSK)

At the railway station in CZEREMCHA transports of goods and equipment, including tanks, guns and military vehicles, were seen frequently. They were guarded by Soviet troops.

A large factory for treating railway sleepers and telegraph poles was located in the town of CZEREMCHA.

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6. SIEMIANOWKA

During 1955 and 1956 very large construction works were undertaken in SIEMIANOWKA. A number of cranes, bull-dozers and other equipment were seen on the site. The work was stopped, though it is not known whether this was because the project was completed or just abandoned. The work appeared to consist of laying a great number of railway lines.

7. SKETCH of HAJNOWKA attached

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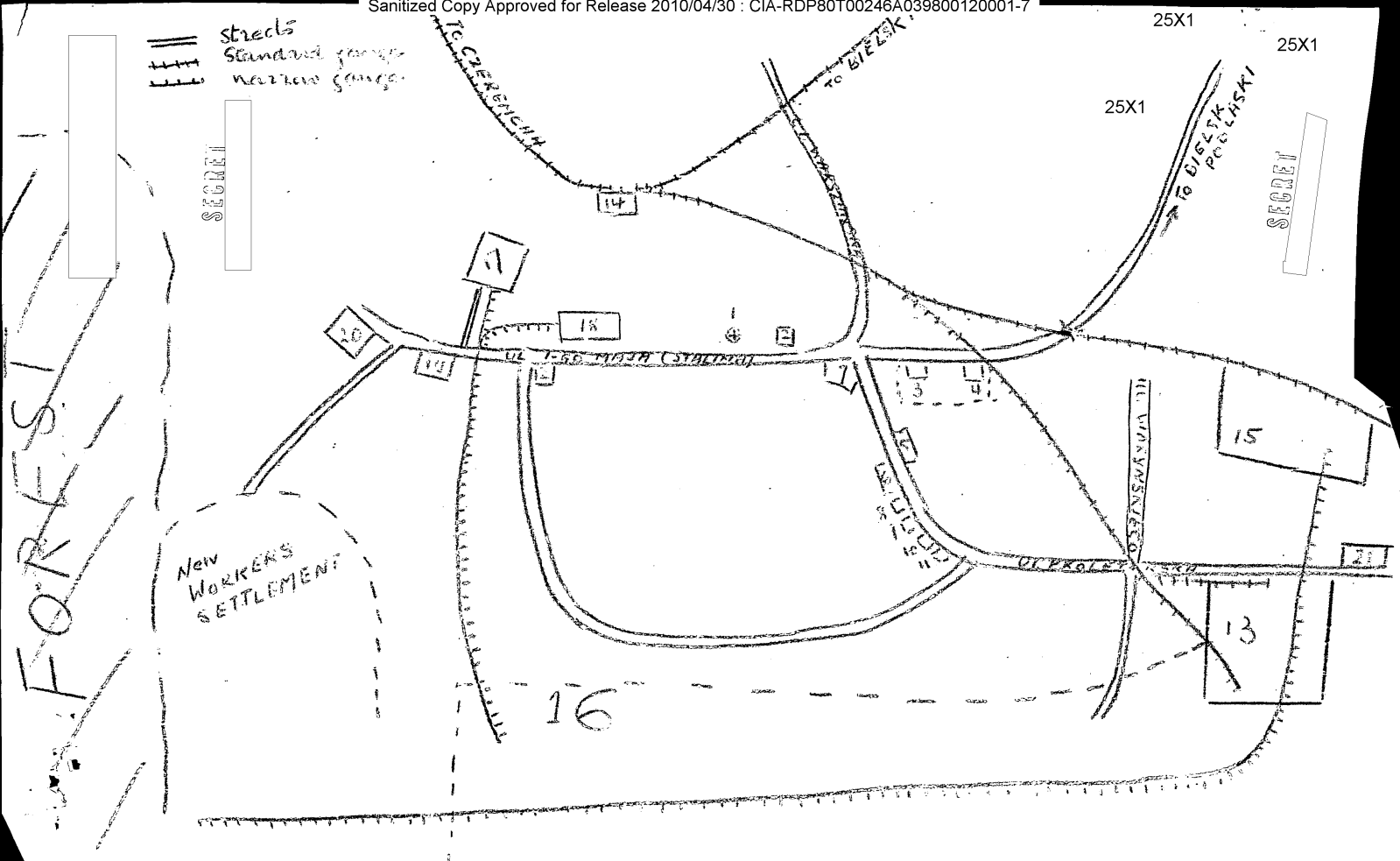
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KEY TO SKETCH

1. Church
2. Post, telegraph office and PZGS office
3. Technical school - mechanical and timber work
4. Residential quarters for students of the school.
5. Long, large building housing workshops belonging to the school.
6. New large house under construction. To be used by the government.
7. House cooperative enterprise
8. Government store
9. Bakery
10. PZPR Building
11. Local Transport office
12. Book shop
13. Saw-mill, timber yards. Transloading point for timber brought from the forest. There were approximately 2000 people employed at this saw mill. The main product was timber planks for construction.
14. Railway station
15. Chemical Factory. A tall, old brick building, looking rather like a tower. Production consisted of charcoal, acid and possibly other commodities. Raw material came by tractors directly from the forest, and also from area marked 16 and from saw-mill.
16. Timber yards, considered to be the largest in Poland
17. TEREBENTSEN Factory producing pitch, turpentine. Next to a large building there were also two large storage tanks.
18. Factory for building barrels (tubs).
19. Hospital for infectious diseases.
20. General Hospital. The hospital had X-ray equipment and operating theatre.
- 21.. WOP Barracks vacated during the last few months and now taken over for the use as medical centre.

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Locations in WROCLAW (BRESLAW)

Attached Sketch Map shows the following locations:

1. At the junction of Ul. Legnica and Ul. Strzegomska is located a large bunker, left there from the time of the German occupation. The bunker is not used, but appears to be cared for.
2. In Ul. Bernarda Pretwiczna is located WFN (Wydzial Finansowy - financial branch).
3. In Ul. Sztabowa is located WAG (Wydzial Administracji Gospodarczej - Supplies Administration Section). These are stores of uniforms of Regional HQ.
4. Officers Club. Before GOMULKA came to power this was called CWKS - Centralny Wojskowy Klub Sportowy - Central Military Sports Club. It was renamed WKS - Wojskowy Klub Sportowy - Military Sports Club. Capt. TANCULA in charge of this club.
5. Military Information Office - in fact Military Intelligence Office. This has been recently renamed WSW (Wojskowa Sluzba Wewnetrzna - Military Internal Service)
6. Office of the SLANK Military District HQ. For further details see separate sketch attached.
7. Regional Military Court and Prosecutor's Office. O.C. of the Military Prosecutor's Office was Col. KOZLOWSKI fan.
8. Sluzba Tylew Office - Rear Line Service. This is a Medical Unit's office
9. MOTORBIT Office - Handling of imported cars.
10. Building where families of military personnel, live.
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13. Building under construction for military personnel families.
14. WOJSKOWE ZAKLADY MOTORWAGOWE No.4. Military Motor Vehicle Works No.4
15. Old castle type barracks being repaired for use by the army.
16. Stationed here are: Independent Communications Battalion
Independent Sapper Battalion
Independent Transport Battalion
Battalion of HQ guard units.
In these barracks also lived clerks assigned from units for work in HQ

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17. Regional Military Hospital
18. GOPL - (Główny Ośrodek Badań Lotniczo Lekarskich - Research centre for Air Force pilots Medical. All civilian pilots examined here. Air Force pilots examined somewhere else.
19. WSK - Voivodship Military Command - Wojewódzka Komenda Wojskowa.
20. WKR - Military Regional Command - Wojskowa Komenda Rejonowa.
21. Newly constructed residential houses. 25X1
22. Garrison Command HQ [redacted]
23. Voivodship Office MO (Milicja Obywatelska - citizens militia) Here is also located office of UL. This is now renamed to Wydział Ministerstwa Spraw Wewnętrznych - Section of the Ministry for Internal Affairs. It is generally known in town that CR offices are located here.
24. Law Courts and Prosecutor's Offices for the town of WROCLAW.
25. No.2 Prison
26. First Commissariat MO.
27. GWARDIA - Sports Club of the Ministry of Internal Affairs personnel.
28. Voivodship Administration of the LPZ - League of Soldiers friends (Liga Przyjaciół Żołnierza).
29. Town Administration of LPZ.
30. HQ Offices of TOPL (Terenowa Obrona Przeciwlotnicza - Regional AA Defense Organisation), TOPCh - Terenowa Obrona Przeciw Chemiczna - Regional Anti-Chemical Warfare Defense Organisation, and TOPA - Regional Organisation for Defense against Atomic Warfare.
31. Town MO Command in UL. Witolda.
32. Military Veterinary Service
33. Military Billeting Office
34. Voivodship Party Office
35. In this area are located: Engineers and sappers Officers School. Formerly 4 battalions were trained here at a time, now only 2 are trained at a time.
6th Tank Regt, equipped with T-34 tanks. It is possible that it has recently received other types. This Regt is billeted in the barracks formerly occupied by 25th Inf. Regt. Regt of AA Arty equipped with guns of heavier calibre single and multiple (4 guns) mounting.
36. Soviet Military vehicle repair workshops.
37. Infantry Officers School named after Tadeusz KOŚCIUSZKO.
38. Prison No.1
39. Psychiatric Hospital.
40. On the corner of UL. NOWOBRZESKA and UL. Mikołaja Reja is located workers hostel belonging to WSK WROCLAW (Not in sketch)

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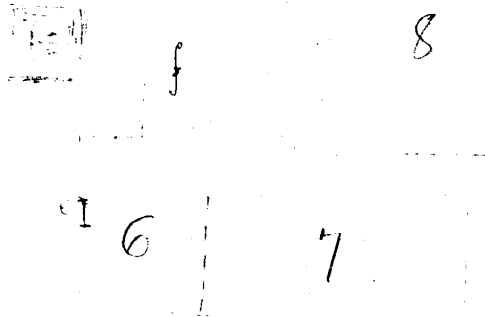
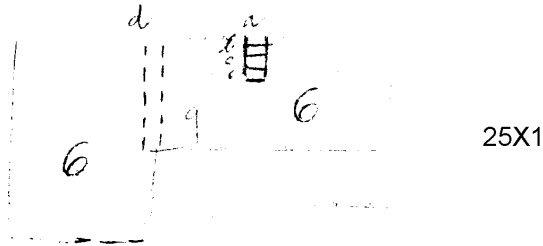
41. On either side of Ul. SOLFYBOWICKA approximately 1200m from 25X1
SULKOWIDA Railway Station are billeted a large Soviet
Communications Unit (probably a battalion) and a battalion of
Polish Communications Troops. (Not in the sketch)
42. Near WROCLAW University, in the area located on the other side
of the moat, accessible by a bridge over the moat, is located
some sort of military objective heavily guarded. The objective
exists since 1950 or even earlier. Only officers were seen
entering the building which is always guarded by troops. There
was no indication at all what the purpose of the objective was.
The number of officers entering the objective was small.
- Notes:
Ulica Benedykta Polaka is now called Ul. Praedownikow Fracy
Ulica Chlodna is probably called Szperaka.
43. In the area marked with dotted lines (exact lay-out is not
known) were located:-
M - 5 Works, known also as Archimedes Works which produced
all types of electric motors for military purposes, for export
and for civilian needs. The works were near 'Coffee Roasting
Works' (Palarnia Kawy), and here were also located WROCLAW
Water Gauge Works (Wroclawskie Zaklady Wodmiercy)
44. Fairly large railway rolling stock repair yards.
45. Somewhere in the area marked 45 were located Coloured Metals
Refineries. The Refinery was located North of Ul. Grabiszynska.
Further down Grabiszynska, at the tram terminus, there were
Metal Works where large machine tools (tokarki) were made.
46. Here is located Administration of Transport of the Soviet
Russian Rolling stock. Only Russians worked here.
47. Ekspozytura Osobow-Towarowa (Passenger and Goods Transport
Administration. On the opposite side of the road were located
large motor repair works where Russian vehicles were repaired.

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Details of No. 6 in Sketch showing Locations in PROCLAW



- (a) Main entrance
- (b) Office of duty officer. Every morning reports from all units were received here.
- (c) Office of the chief of security for the H.
- (d) Entrance - not used.
- (e) HQ telephone office. Office reached by dialling 50-70.
- (f) Administrative offices of the Transport and Armoured Arms of service. One of the floors Section 6 or 7 was located. This was the mobilisation section.

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Soviet units in SZCZECIN; military barracks;
Naval Training barracks; SZCZECIN DEBAR A/B;
Railways. (1957)

1. Soviet Units in SZCZECIN:

- (a) In Ul. Mickiewicza, in the Pogórze district of SZCZECIN, there are barracks occupied by the Russian troops. The barracks are 2-3 story brick buildings left from German times. The troops stationed in these barracks appeared to be from different arms of the service and there were even some pilots who were undergoing practical training on the ground. From time to time whistles from jet aircraft could be heard coming from these barracks. In the barracks square there were guns stationed and they were probably also used for training purposes.
- (b) The number of troops stationed in the barracks is not known but most days the Russians collected two ZIB 5 lorries full of bread from the town bakery. Each lorry load was not less than two tons. Flour for bread was also supplied by the Russians but as it was brought in bulk and not regularly, it was not possible to say what the daily ration was. (For location see No.2 on sketch [attached]).
- (c) There was another Russian Unit stationed also in Ul. Mickiewicza (see No.3 in attached sketch), but somewhat nearer the junction with Ul. Bohaterow Warszawy. This was a smaller unit, which might be connected with No.4 in Ul. Wawrzyniaka where there were also Russian guards at the gates.

2. Locations of Polish Barracks:

- (a) In Aleja Wojska Polskiego are located large barracks occupied by the Polish Infantry troops, estimated at approximately 5000 men. (For location see No.6 on sketch [attached]).
- (b) Near the barracks mentioned in para (a) there are other barracks also occupied by Polish troops and estimated to be just as large as those above. (For location see No.7 on sketch attached).
- (c) Between Ul. Petulicka and Ul. Kopernika, next to Plac Dniecka there are barracks in which Polish troops are billeted. The barracks have large grounds attached to them. Probably labour brigades are stationed here. (For location see No.9 on sketch 2 attached).
- (d) Across Ul. Narutowicza there are two more military units (10a and 10b on sketch attached). 10a was a civilian building, probably accommodation for senior officers, and next to it (10a) was a bakery. Behind the bakery in the area marked (c) were stores of flour.
- (e) In the area (marked 11 on sketch² attached) adjoining 10 another unit was stationed. Howitzers could be seen in the yard.

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(f) In Gumieniec district of SZCZECIN in Ul. Bohaterow Warszawy starting from Ul. Santecka, there is a military area. Next to Santecka there is a training ground which adjoins an area of barracks where there are three military units stationed (marked a, b, c. on sketch No. 4) - the last marked c. is a telecommunication unit.

3. Para Military:

- (a) In Ul. Miskiewicza were located barracks occupied by WOP units. This was the main WOP base in SZCZECIN (For location see sketch 1 no. 1).
- (b) In Ul. Strzalewska, on the way to the Radio Station, a small WOP unit, estimated at one company, was stationed. There was another large WOP unit in Ul. Gdanska situated beyond the transport base "LAGZMOSC".

4. Naval:

- (a) In Aleja Piastow (opposite objective marked 10 on sketch 2 attached) is located Polish Naval School.
- (b) On the cross section of Ul. Swiatewida and Lipowa Ul. there were Naval Training Barracks on the river Oder. The barracks had attached to them a small basin where small naval craft were frequently moored. The naval units stationed here were numerically the largest in SZCZECIN, numbering approx. 1000 men.

5. Air:

- (a) SZCZECIN DEBIE airfield was used by civilian aircraft and by members of Youth Air Club. In 1957 work was carried out on the airfield to improve drainage.
- (b) The hangar on the airfield was at the time used as a storage depot for flour.

6. Hospitals:

- (a) In Aleja Wojaka Palakiogo was located a large civilian hospital consisting of (a) Main building which was a 3-storey large building, (b) mortuary, (c) garages, (d) additional hospital building, (e) entrance. (For location see 11b of sketch 2; for lay-out see sketch 1).
- (b) There was another large civilian hospital in Aleja Piastow.

7. Railways:

SZCZECIN - SŁUPSK - GDYNIA railway line is a double track line all the way through. No signs of electrification had been noticed on this line.

8. Bridges: (See sketch 3 attached) - Key of sketch as follows:

- The railway bridge leading to the Main Station in SZCZECIN which was destroyed during the war and was not repaired by July 1957. There was evidence that work on reconstruction of the bridge will start soon. Along the embankment adjoining the railway on SANKA KEPA were stacked materials which looked as if they were intended for the bridge. No work was done in the water near the bridge.
- North of the ruins of the railway bridge, by the Main Post Office, there is a provisional bridge constructed in approx. 1950.

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3. Approx. 250m to the north of the provisional bridge there is a new concrete draw-bridge. The work on the bridge was completed in summer 1957. It was to have been put in commission on 22nd July 1957, but in August the finishing work was still going on. The bridge is wide enough to take two tram lines and approx. one line of road traffic on either side of them.
4. There is a wadded bridge leading to KEPA PARNIOKA capable of taking two lines of traffic. The road from the bridge on KEPA PARNIOKA side goes directly into a railway viaduct.
5. This viaduct which takes the railway lines to the main passenger station is at present not in use as the bridge between and the station is down.
6. There is a temporary bridge over PARNIOKA near the Fort Fire Station. Next to it there is an old bridge (7) destroyed during the war. In the area 7a between the road leading to GDANEK and PARNIOKA there was equipment and building material stored in preparation for work on reconstruction of the old bridge.
7. There is a bridge over BAHEN DRZEWNY, which appeared to be an old one. The bridge was of solid reinforced construction.
8. There is a railway viaduct over the road leading to GDANEK over which passes the line to SZCZECIN Port. The viaduct is a temporary structure of wooden logs. Next to it a reinforced bridge is under construction. Approx. 200m before the bridge there is a viaduct taking the GDANEK road over the railway line.
9. A viaduct taking the road over the railway line.
10. An old temporary bridge over the REGALICZKA; next to it a new concrete bridge (11) is under construction.

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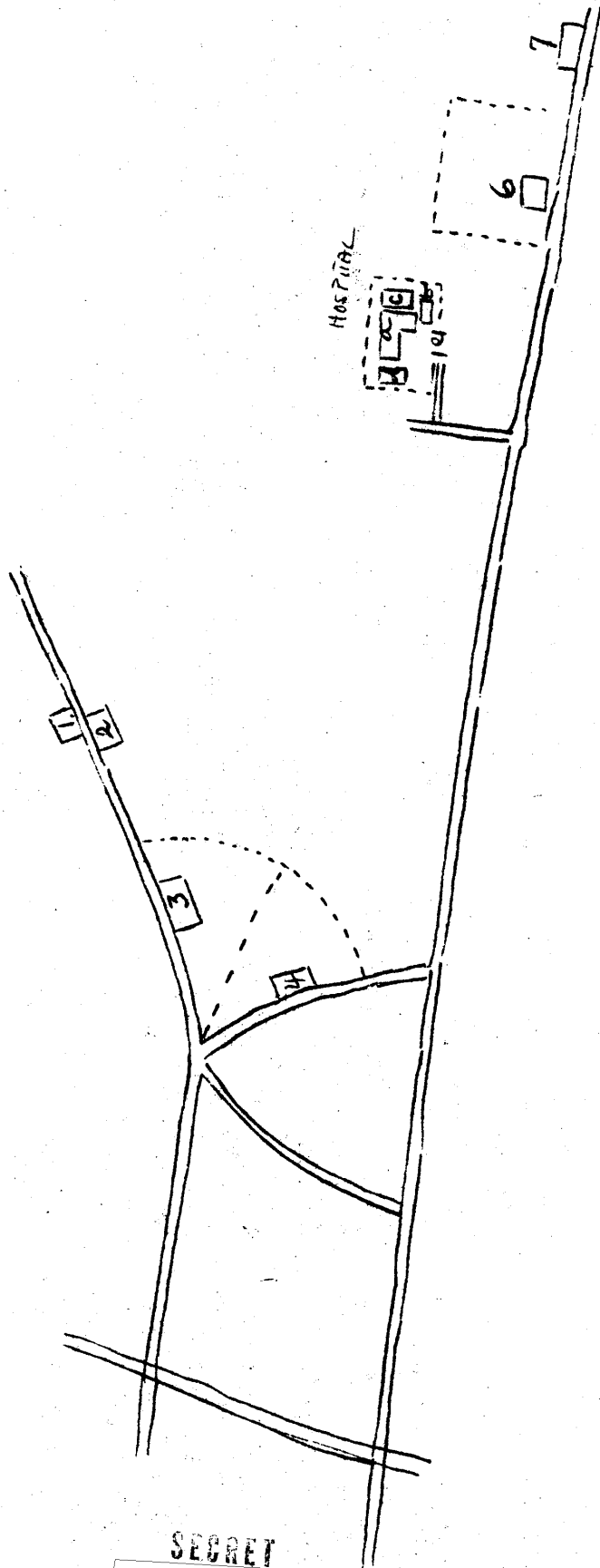
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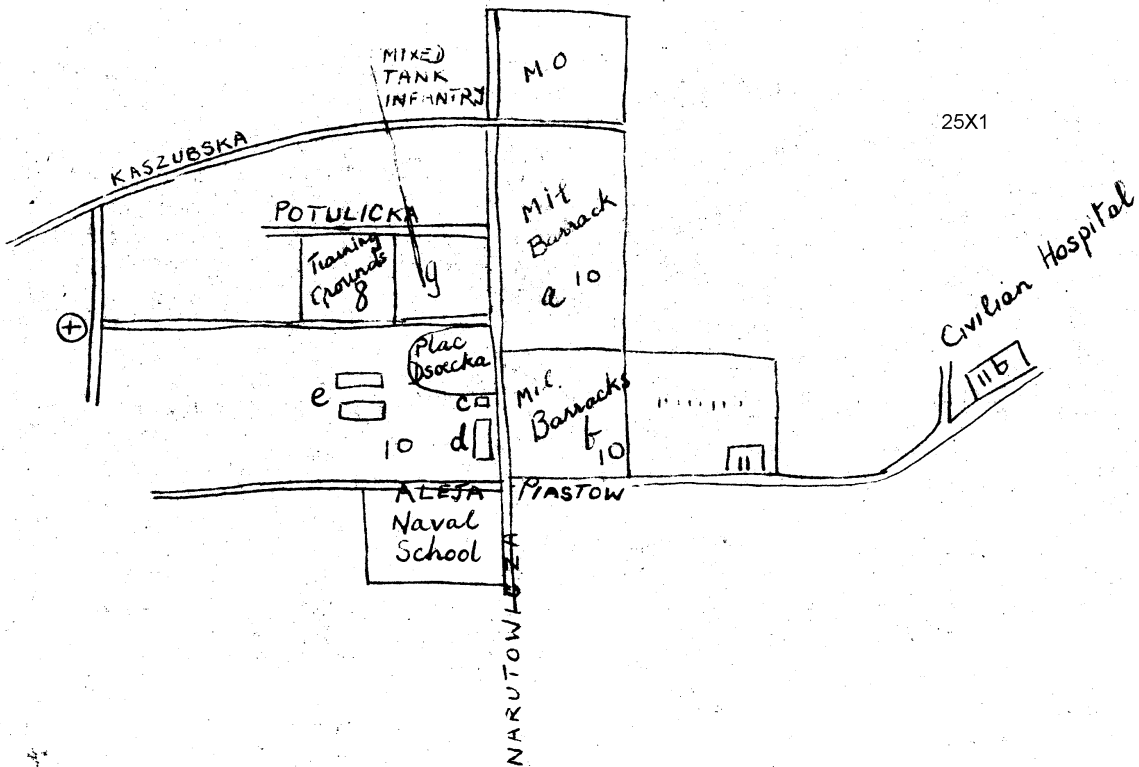
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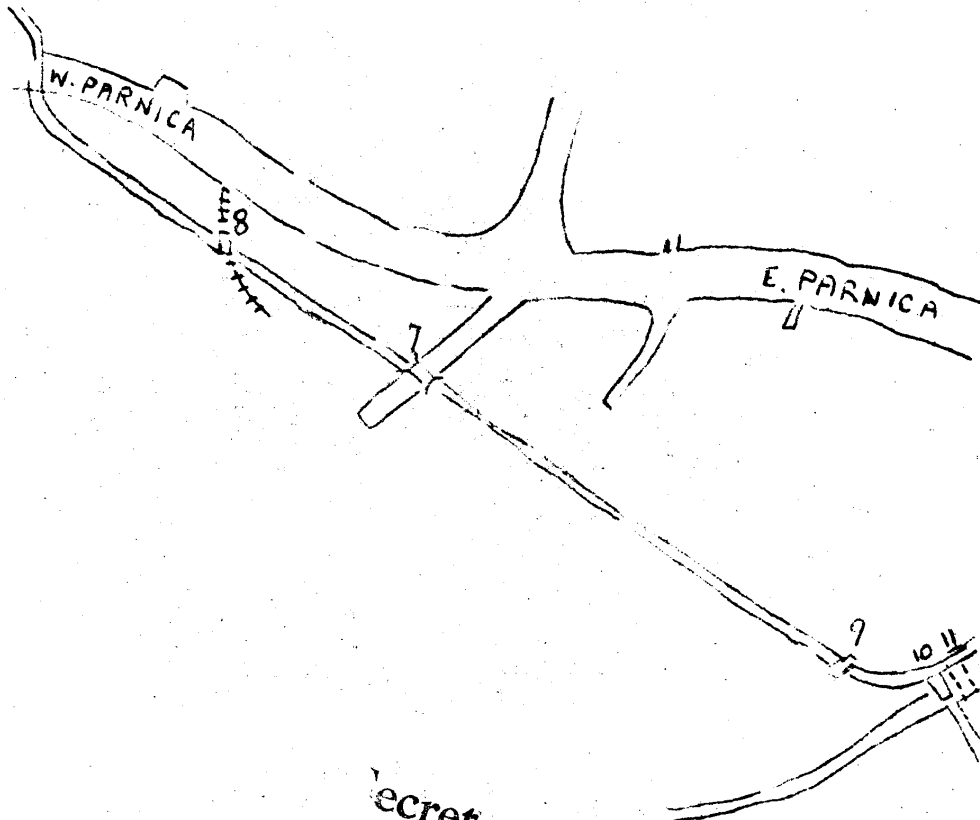
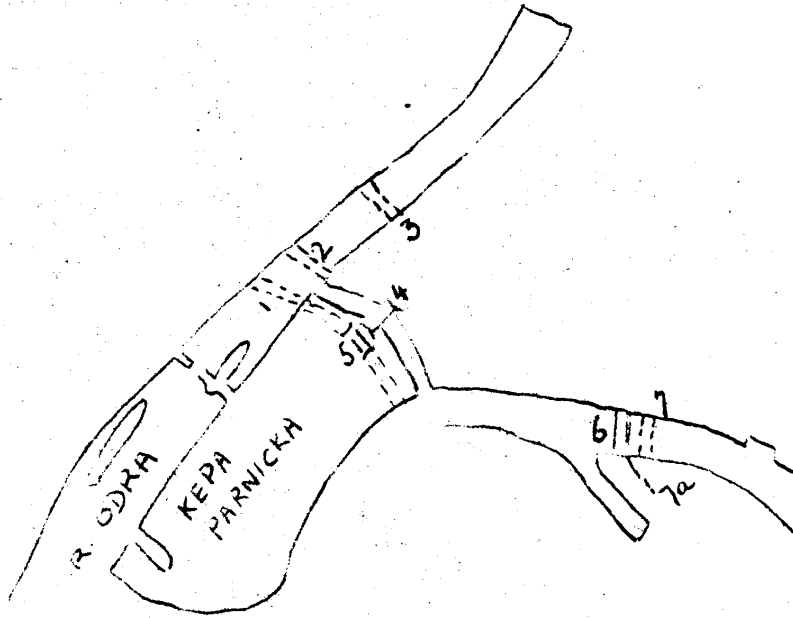
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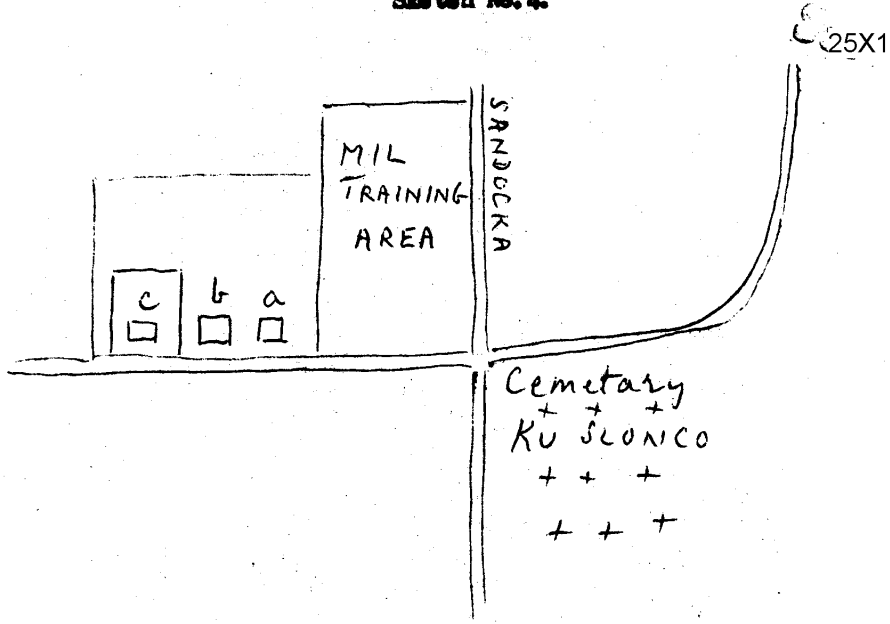
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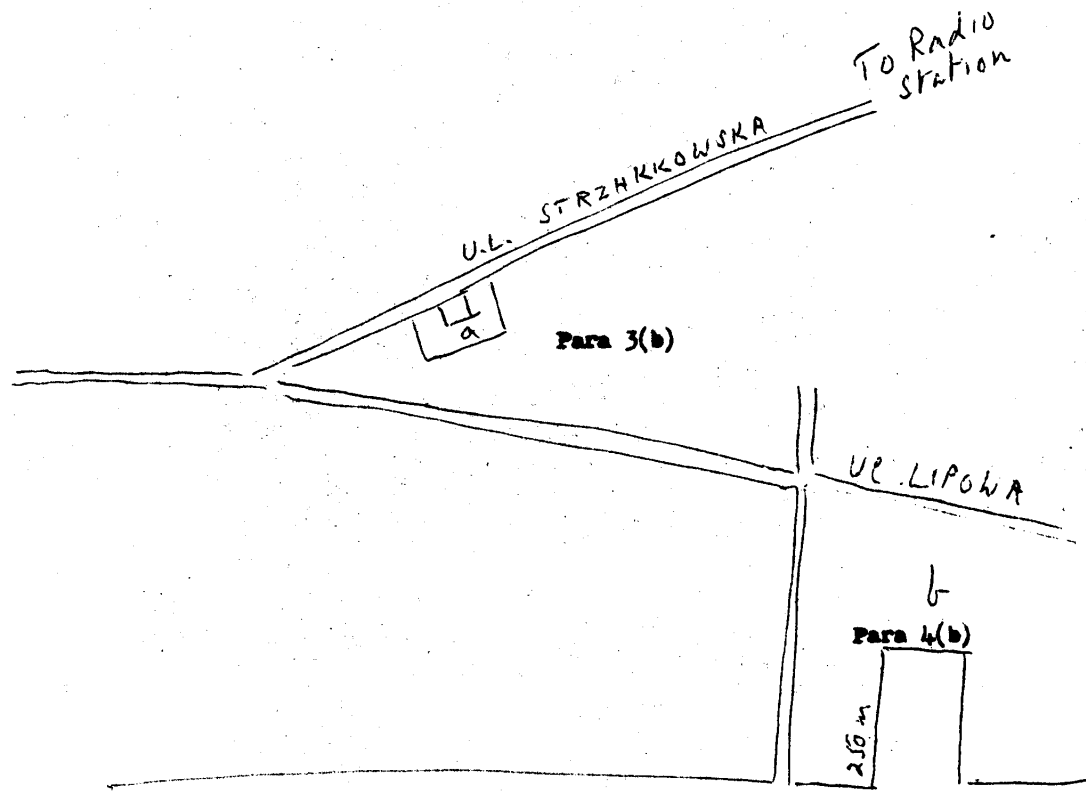
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Military Establishments at GDYNIA
and SZCZECIN
(1945 - Sept 1957)

1. In GDYNIA there are subterranean military establishments in, amongst other places, the wood near GRABOWEK, where, within a barbed wire fence and under strict military guard, there is an establishment largely underground which according to reports is supplied with a large number of A.A. guns in addition to heavy artillery that can cover the approach waters up to BHL. Furthermore, the establishment is provided with searchlights. (See sketch A, item 1). Immediately north or east of this area lie the former emigrant hutsments, which is now used by the navy for quartering its men.

2. In the wood near VITOMINO (not seen on the sketch) south-east of the town, there is also a military establishment under military guard on the edge of the wood.

3. In the slope which to the south delimits the valley south of KAMIENNA GORA (see sketch B, item 1) there is an underground establishment which lies partly under the church on the hill. It is said that the subterranean passages branch out far into the hill. What the establishment contains is unknown. It is under strong guard.

4. The locomotive sheds drawn in on Sketch A (item II) are [redacted] 25X1
[redacted] intended for electric locomotives. [redacted] 25X1
[redacted] there is a shed for steam locomotives east of these. One third the station terrain (see Sketch A, item III) there is a transformer station.

5. Furthest to the west in the excavated harbour area (see Sketch A, item IV) there is an underground establishment which was built at the time by the Germans and is now under military guard. Immediately east of this there is a power station (see Sketch A, item V) which, so far as is known, is linked up with the Polish electric assembly system. South-east of this lies a power station or transformer station (see Sketch A, item VI). The last-mentioned supplies current to the harbour area.

6. Inherent on the mole (see Sketch A item X) lies a transformer or power station which supplies current to the coal loading plants.

7. In Alojz Zjednocenie, on the corner of ulica Waszyngtona lies a building where, so far as is known, the chief command for the GDYNIA area is housed (see Sketch B, item II). 25X1

8. In SZCZECIN [redacted] in the area between 25X1
LASETOWNIA and WYSIPA GRZEKKA there is a power station. [redacted]

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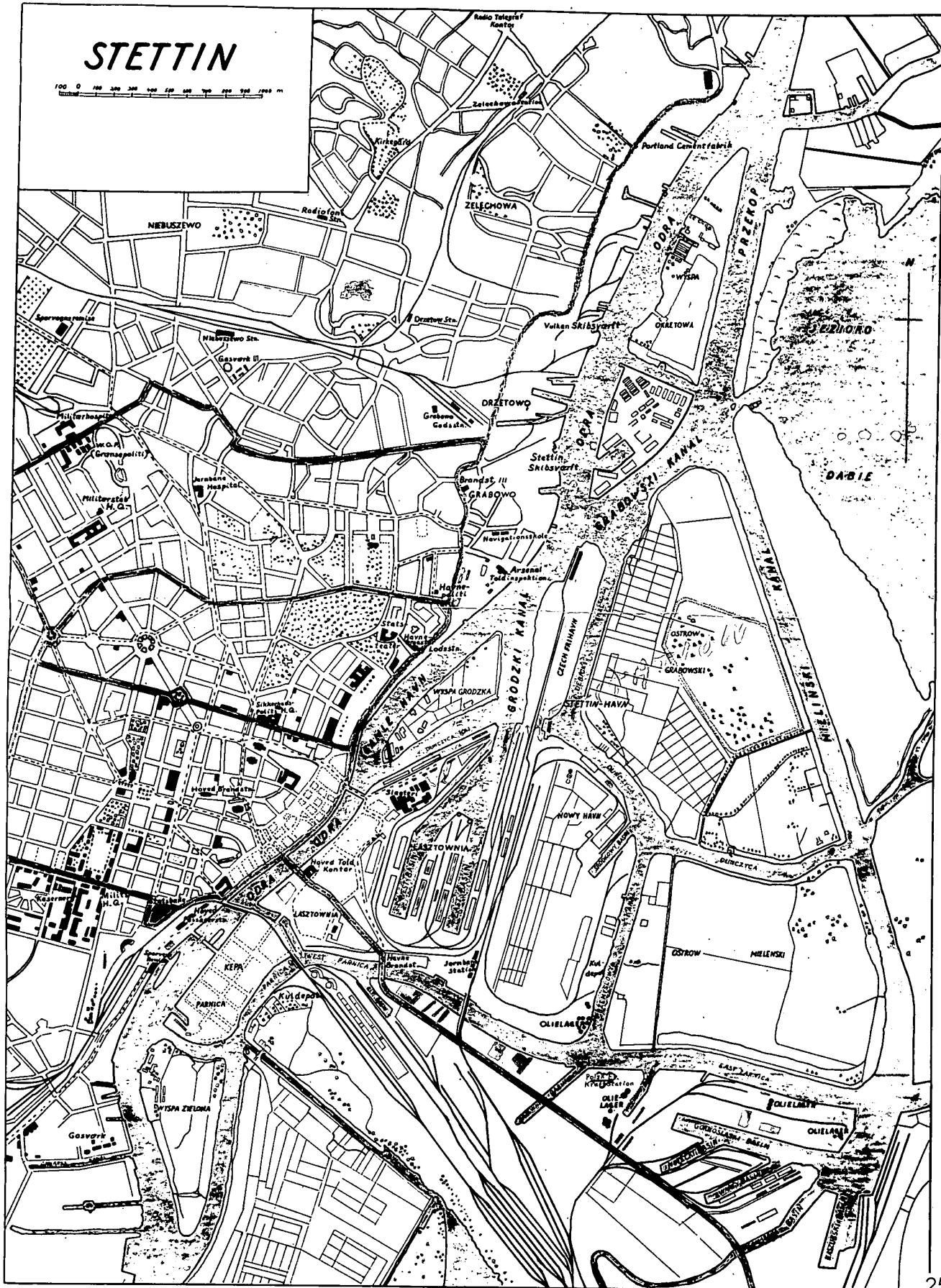
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1. There were barracks located in Ulica Sabinowska in STRADON district of CZESTOCHOWA occupied by an estimated 1,500/2,000 Polish troops.

2. For location of barracks see No.1 on Sketch 1 attached. Key of Sketch 1 is as follows:-

1. Military Barracks
2. Disused landing strip
3. Brick Works - See Sketch 2 attached.
4. Brick works about same size as 3.
5. JASNA GORA Monastery
6. Two small hospitals in Ul. Sw. BARBARY
7. Two park squares
8. Sports field
9. Area in which there were 40-50 new residential 2-3 storey buildings. These were mainly occupied by industrial workers coming into town from rural areas, and by Party members.
10. New residential buildings same as in 9.
11. Voievodship National Council Building
12. Monument to Soviet Army of Liberation
13. Main Post Office
14. Hospital - Large 3-storey building
15. Army Officers Club
16. Victoria Sports field
17. Wool Factory (Fabryka Moty). The factory employed 800 people & it was said that there were only three other factories of this type in Poland; two of which were in LODZ and one in SOSNOWIEC. The factory was a very strongly guarded objective. It could be entered only by special permits. All workers were searched thoroughly on leaving work. The factory was guarded by special Industrial Objectives Guards.
18. Finishing Department of 17. This factory was called "WARTA". Goods leaving the factory were packed in crates and taken away by lorries. Destination not known. Security measures observed were the same as in 17.
19. Railway Station
20. New constructed residential buildings
21. Railway bridge over main street
22. Engineering School
23. Higher School of Economics (Wyzsza Szkola Ekonomii)
24. Bus park and repair workshops
25. Race track for motor car races (Wyscigi zuzlowe)
26. BIERUT Iron and Steel Works employing approximately 5-8,000 people.
- 26a. BIERUT/RAKOW Iron and Steel Works
27. Railway Branch Line

3. Key of Sketch 2 is as follows:-

1. Workers' entrance into factory
2. Entrance for cars and lorries, guarded by works guards
3. Planning and Administrative offices
4. Workers changing room and canteen
5. Building for drying of bricks in electrically operated ovens
6. Main brick-making building
 - a. b. entrances
 - c. d. two large machines for automatic production of bricks
 - e. a number of small machines for production of special shape and size bricks.

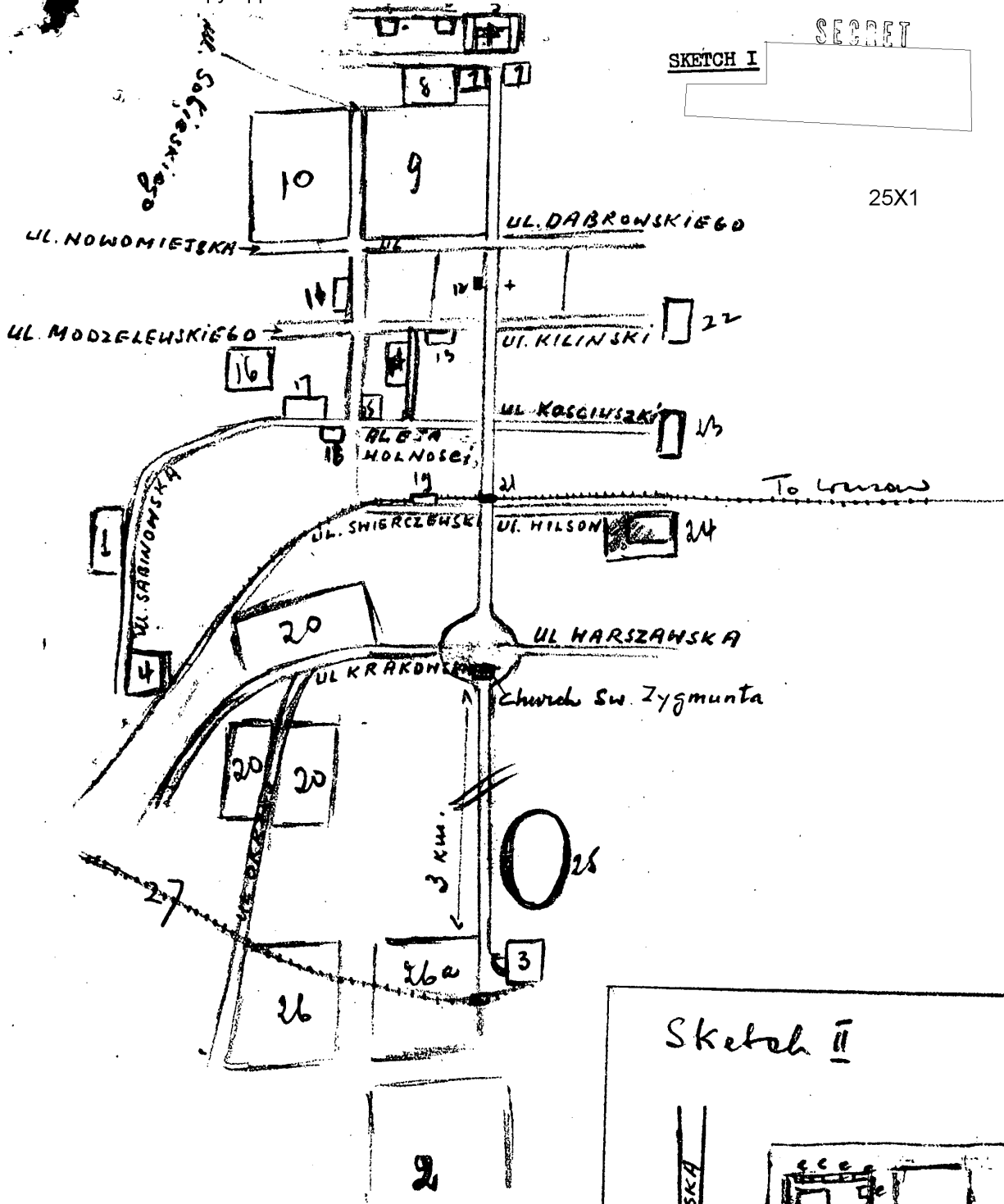
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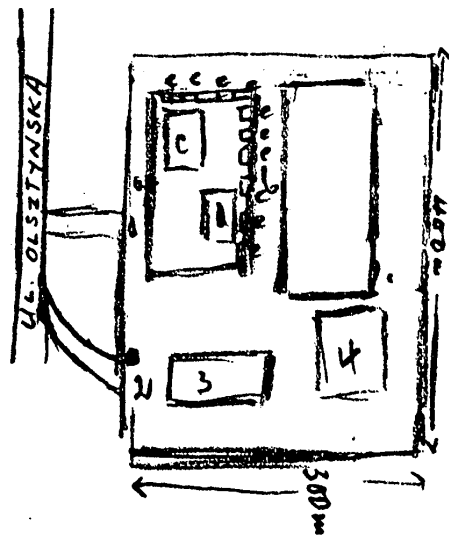
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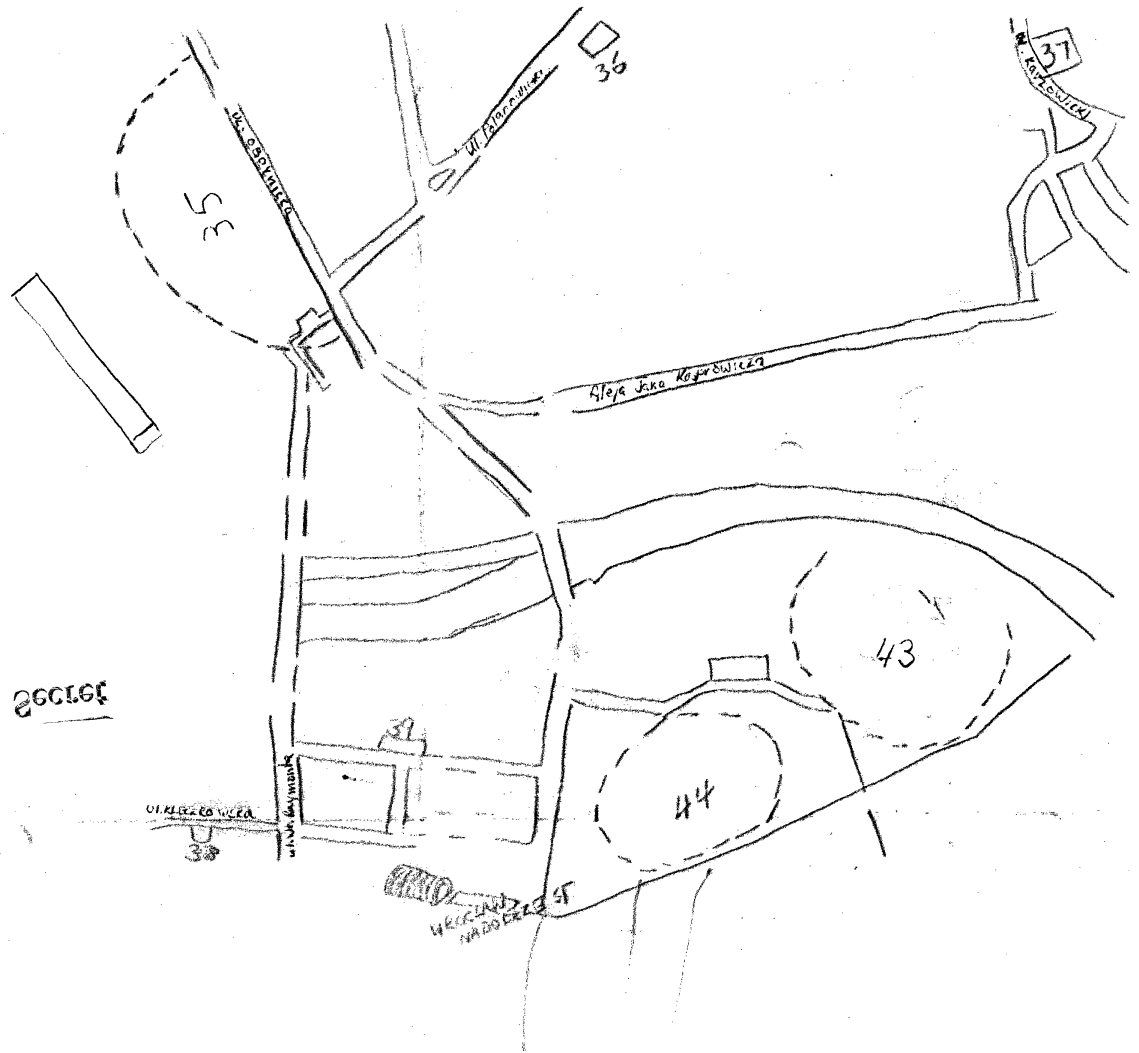
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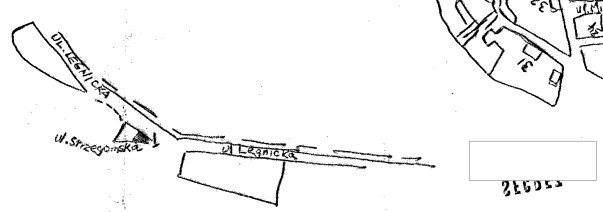
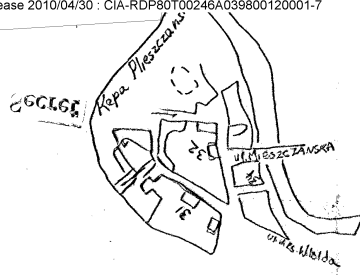
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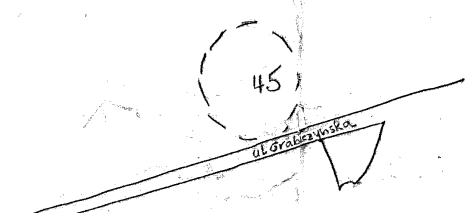
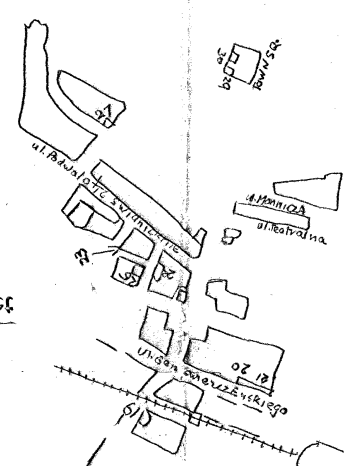
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