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U S S R Transportation Office of the Soviet Military Administration 31 May 1949 Berlin.

The mobilization of domestic reserves plays an important role in the supply of materials required for transportation. A correct economic attitude in using these domestic reserves and saving commenter materials will make it possible to satisfy the demand of transportation, and in doing so the greater part of these domands can be met from domestic sources. Experience shows that a great amount of material, and particularly steel, was ascertained as the result of the mobilization program for domestic reserves in the second half of 1948. These reserves will make it possible to carry out successfully the set objectives as far as the maintenance of vehicles and the transportation plan itself are concerned.

However, it is evident that the effort taken was insufficient.

Despite the fact that a number of directives were sent out, not enough attention was paid to the mobilization of domestic reserves, and continuous, daily systematical work was not initiated.

The transportation system has great amounts of material and equipment available, for which there is no need in transportation and which could be made available to other branches of industry in exchange for needed materials. However, the Supply Department does not take sufficient action to collect these surplus materials. A great and of scrapped and unusuable vehicles are available, which are not made use of sufficiently. There is a lack of the duty-inspired striving for thriftyness in shartage materials. Work on creating a basis for self-production of spare parts, small metal parts, materials, etc. is carried out at in-

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sufficient speed.

In order to organize systematic and planned work for the mobilization of domestic reserves I suggest be you to carry out the following measures in 1949:

A. Railway Transportation.

- 1. After consulting with the Transportation Department of the Soviet Military Administration, the tracks of the railroad spurs leading to former military and defense installations, as well as those from former railroad lines and stations used only infrequently, should be removed and used for maintenance of the tracks of the main lines.
- 2. 50 kilometers heavy-type tracks should be removed from infrequently used lines and exchanged for lighter type tracks. The removed tracks should then be used to replace the second tracks of the main lines.
- 3. Pieces of rail and siding, connecting pieces and other materials used in railroad construction should be collected at railway stations and other storage places so they can be welded and processed again in the workshops. The capacity of the rail-welding plants and siding shops in Berlin, Gotha, and other places, should be increased.
- 4. Railroad ties should be collected from the lines that have been removed and a railroad-tie repair plant should be set up.
- 5. Bridge girders and T-beams from seamed structures on the abondoned lines should be put to use.
- 6. In order to cut down on the cement consumption, cement should be replaced by lime in masonry work and in non-support constructions; also concrete used for building foundations should be replaced by free-stone and brick masonry.

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- 7. The manufacture of nails from old wire and of rivets from old bolts is to be organized.
- 8. The equipment of signalling and long-distance warning installations and the cables on the lines and in the stations are to be collected and used for reconstructions.
- 9. Equipping of contral workshops for long-distance warning installations should be concluded.
- 10. Seventy obsolete locomotives should be dispersibled and the parts and materials of them should be used for locomotive repair work.
- 11. As of 1 July 1949 new standards of usage for busic materials should be instituted.
- 12. The supplementary manufacture of small metal parts and tools should be organized in central locations, which should make use of manufacture scrap and used parts.
- 13. With the introduction of new fuel usage standards per unit, improvement of the thermal-technical condition, and full usage of locomotives at least five per cent of fuel per unit should be saved.
- 14. Forty locomotives should be rebuilt for coal-dust burning in 1949. This will result in fuel savings and the use of low-quality coal.
- 15. In order to study the possibilities to save cylinder-oil, action should be taken to organize the production of emulsified oil in two of the most important maintenance plants of the Zone, so that in 1950 lubrication by means of emulsified oil can be carried through on a broad scale.
- 16. Within two months the possibility to replace non-ferrous metals by ferrous metals should be clarified and an exchange order work.

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- 17. The full utilization of the foundries in the railroad repair plants should be examined and their output increased by improved work organization.
- 18. Machine-tools, not in use or unusuable, are to be collected, repaired, and reconditioned in a centrally located place, so that they can be put to use again in the transportation department.
- 19. In order to decrease the consumption of wood the construction of wood-drying plants in railroad repair plants in Pctsdam, Magdeburg, Schoeneweide, Eborawalde, Chemnitz, Zwickau, and Cottbus should be concluded by 1 Aug 1949. The wood-drying plants in Gotha, Jena, Dresden, and Wittenberge are to be put into operation again.
- 20. Fifty passenger cars, 1200 freight cars, and 10 arben train cars, which have been declared as obsolete, should be dismosphered and the metal and parts should be used for railroad-car repair work.
- 21. The capacity of the plant for the manufacture of small iron parts in Brandenburg is to be increased.
- 22. The rolling works of the railroad repair plant in Dresden should be newly organized for the production of pure and medium-sized rolled goods.
- 23. Regulations for declaring vehicles as obsolete should be rewritten in order to lengthen their serviceability.
- 24. In order to safeguard the useable parts from the discussembled obsolete locomotives and railroad-cars, special brigades should be organized in the maintenance plants and railroad repair shops. It is strictly forbidden to turn over the jobs of disassembling vehicles to firms or

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organizations not connected with the railroad.

- 25. Existing standards dealing with the permissible usage of locomotive and railroad-car tires in the period between two turnings and the permissible tire thickness for operations should be examined.
- 26. The organization of work in the workshops for processing industrial scrap and for the production of small iron parts and spare parts should be examined. It should be found out whether any plans exist in the processing-workshops.
- 27. The equipment necessary for the manufacture of small iron parts for the whole Zone should be concentrated in the most important locomotive and railroad-car repair plants, and is not/to be scattered among the smaller repair shops.

As a result of carrying out the above-mentioned measures, the following items are to be provided by the utilization of domestic reserves:

| ı. | Rails | 23 | 000 | tons |
|-----|-------------------------------------|-----|-----|------------|
| 2. | Fishplates | 50 | 000 | tons |
| 3. | Railroad ties | 900 | 000 | ties |
| 4. | Nails | | 10 | tons |
| 5. | Switches | 1 | 300 | sets |
| 6. | Quality iron | | 20 | tons |
| 7. | Lead | | 7 | tons |
| 8. | Rivets for steel bridges | | 17 | tons |
| 9. | Telephone cable | | 150 | kilometers |
| 10. | Telephone wire | | 10 | tons |
| 11. | Parts from disassembled locomotives | | | |
| | a.) parts from the running gear | | 350 | tons |
| | b.) others | 1 | 200 | tons |

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| 12. | Small iron parts and locomotive maintenance | tools 300 | tons |
|-----|---|-----------|------|
| 13. | Fuel, saved by economizing | 120 000 | tons |
| 14. | Electrodes | 50 - 60 | tone |
| 15. | Nuts and bolts for railroad-car repair | 300 | tons |
| 16. | Nails for railroad-cars | 20 | tona |
| 17. | Iron girders | 520 | tons |

B. Navigation.

- 1. Inventories of scarce materials in the central shipping depot, the main-office depot, and other enterprises are to be taken during June 1949, in order to distribute them correctly to the consumers in the shipping system.
- 2. The result of the technical examination of sunken ships on the inland waterways of the Zone are to be examined, with the objective of dismantling all ships that are beyond repair and of making use of the material thus obtained.
- 3. In order to economize on thin sheet-metals, the Directorate General for Shipping should be called upon to design a new type of boat, made of wood, to be used for repair work and for transportation purposes. Deadline should be set at June 1949.
- 4. During July and August all electric welding work involved in the repair and reconstruction of ships should be changed, so that electrodes manufactured in our own shops from industrial scrap can be used.
- 5. During June a directive should be worked out concerning the use of ship's engines and steam engines, in order to save fuel and lubricants, and to determine the bunker installations to be used for fuel storage.

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As a result of carrying out the above-mentioned measures in the shipping system of the Zone, the following items should be saved by the end of 1949 by the use of demestic reserves:

| 1. | Thin sheet-metals | 15 tons |
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| 2. | Covered electrodes | 8.5 tons |
| 3. | Black coal | 200 tons |
| 4. | Briquettes | 1 000 tons |
| 5. | Diesel fuel | 95 tons |
| 6. | Lubrication oil | 32 tons |
| 7. | Various metals from dismantled ships | 105 tons |

C. Road Transportation.

- 1. Amortization capacities of motor-vehicle tires should be in coased by more frequent and improved maintenance work and by the use of solid-rubber tires for slow-moving vehicles.
- 2. The use of bearing metals in maintenance work on motor vehicles should be decreased by improving the technique of casting, and by initiating the use of thin-walled bearing bushings.
- 3. The use of rolled non-ferrous metals is to be reduced by using salvaged material (from disassembled obsolete vehicles) and by replacing non-ferrous metals by ferrous metals and other substitute materials.
- 4. The disassembling of obsolete vehicles is to be organized and materials and spare parts for repair work are to be collected.
- 5. Allocation of steel for steel tridge construction is to be organized by raising destroyed bridges and by salvaging material from bridges which are beyond repair.
- 6. Bitumen for the maintenance of road surfaces should be obtained

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from the bitumen surfaces of airfields and by organizing the plants producing tar from by-products of the brown coal industry.

As a result of carrying out these measures for road transportation, the following materials for roads and bridges shouls be obtained from domestic reserves:

| 1. | Boaring metal | 42 tons |
|----|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| 2. | Rolled non-ferrous metal products | 27 tons |
| 3. | Soctional steel | 400 tons |
| 4. | Motor vehicle spare parts | 9 800 tons |
| 5. | Steel for bridges | 3 000 tons |
| 6. | Bitumen | 16 000 tons |

D. General.

- · 1. A list of non-liquid materials and spare parts, for each branch of transportation separately, should be made up by 15 June 1949.
- 2. Suggestions concerning all non-liquid materials and spare parts should be made to the Foreign Trade Administration and the Domestic Reserves Administration, outlining the necessary imports of such materials from foreign countries and the Western Zone and the redistribution of a maximum amount of them within the Zone so they can be used in other branches of industry.

The inventory of these materials should be concluded by 1-Nov 1949.

3. A suggestion outlining a change to fixed standards of values for inventories of materials and spare parts should be prepared for the Directorate of Railroads and Inland Waterways by 1 July 1949. On the basis of these measures, it is suggested to you that you work out concrete statements (objectives) for the Railroad Directorate, the Inland

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Waterways Directorate, and other offices concerned. Set a date for a monthly report on the realization of the tasks in such a manner that these reports will be in our hands by the 7th of the following month at the latest. In connection with these written reports, you should have conferences with the heads of the Directorate of the Railroads and of the Directorate of Inland Waterways and with the technicians who work on these problems. Appoint persons in the General Directorates who will be personally responsible for carrying out the work of mobilizing domestic reserves. Inform me of the concrete suggestions and tasks that you have worked out in order to carry out these measures, not later than 15 June 1949.

Chief of Transportation Office of the Soviet Military Administration Director General

(23 July 1949 - 5)

Signature: Wöwudski (German transliteration from the Russian)

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The July yields cannot be established until shortly before the middle of the month, and therefore could not be enclosed.

At present the people-owned steel foundries produce approximately 13 000 tons of east steel yearly.

The firm reported on alone produces about 7 - 8 000 tons.

The Occupying Power plans to increase this amount to 60 000 tons !!

for the people-owned steel foundries for the year 1950. New plants are
being set up and other branches of industry will be converted. That is,
they are supposed to be converted!

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Cast iron for military unit 07225 to Fieldpost No. 61963.

| | Total 467 kg | | | 648.77 |
|-----|---|----|------|--------|
| 383 | Handles for hood 20-042 | 11 | 0,14 | 53,62 |
| 22 | Connecting flanges 19-0113 | " | 0.90 | 19.80 |
| 19 | Ball-bearing housings 14-0628 | " | 3.10 | 58.90 |
| 83 | Mountings " " " draw springs 19-019/0110 | 11 | 3.75 | 311.25 |
| 76 | Mountings for right and left headlights 20-0217/8 | at | 2.70 | 205.20 |

Cast steel for military unit 07225 to Fieldpost No. 45205 Muellrose.

6365 Lurge truck links [Kettengl.] with toeth, 154 671 kg, at 44.60 283 879.-

Machine factory for 61963 to 16149 Koenigswusterhausen.

| 375 | Lifting jacks 3-ton 0180 | at | 60.25 | 22 | 593.75 |
|------|---|----|--------|----|--------|
| 39 | Draw gears 1.5 tons 0181 | 11 | 219.— | 8 | 541 |
| 6 | Draw gears 3 tons, 0182 | Ħ | 285 | 1 | 710.— |
| 100 | Engine side-hoods M 7360-11 | 11 | 38.45 | 3 | 845 |
| 15 | Right and left mountings M 7360-13 | ** | 2.15 | | 32.25 |
| 414 | Fenders, 1025 mm long, M 7360-17 | 11 | 11.90 | 14 | 926.60 |
| 1058 | Socket and hub wrenches and hexagonal spanners, | t | otal _ | 3 | 682.20 |
| | | | 254 | 45 | 330.80 |

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| Ditto for 61963 to 74815 Ketschen | letinorr. |
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| 96 | Engine side-hoods M 7360-11 | at | 38.45 | 3 691.20 |
|-----|---------------------------------------|----|-------|-----------|
| 173 | Right fenders 2432 a | н | 13.40 | 2 318.20 |
| 25 | Hoods M 7360-12 | 11 | 37.50 | 937.50 |
| 83 | Right and left roller shields 21000/2 | 11 | 10.10 | 838.30 |
| 106 | Fenders, 1270 mm long, M 7360-17 | 11 | 5.10 | 540.60 |
| 994 | Right and left mountings M 7360-13 | 17 | 2,15 | 2 137.10 |
| | | | | 10 462.90 |

Ditto for 61963 to 45205 Muellrose.

| 400 | Rollers with axles 2 K 11-06 | at | 22.50 | 9 000.— |
|------|--------------------------------------|----|-------|----------|
| 1475 | Brakeshoes 10-163 | Ħ | 4.86 | 7 168.50 |
| 150 | " 10-019-3 | Ħ | 6.54 | 981 |
| 500 | " 10-017-3 | 11 | 4.86 | 2 430 |
| 70 | Casings 18002 n 3 | 11 | 62 | 4 340 |
| 500 | Levers 28-1341-3 | 11 | 2.31 | 1 155 |
| 25 | Front Tenders, right and left, 00200 | n | 40.74 | 1 018.50 |
| 100 | Starter bases 01-2-282 | 11 | 34.76 | 3 476.— |
| 39 | Rocking levers, repaired, | n | 93 | 3 627.— |
| | | | | 33 196 |

Repairs to Derutra Cast iron.

| 7750 Brake | druma 400/3103015/2541/215 | at | 8.26 | 64 015 |
|------------|----------------------------|----|------|------------|
| 7750 Brake | drums 400/3104015/2541/432 | n | 8.43 | 65 332.50 |
| | Packing material, 15 500 | n | 0.03 | 465 |
| | | | | 129 812.50 |

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