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- Ludwigslust (T53): This field, observed on 11 and 12 October 1946, appears to be only an auxiliary or advanced landing strip. An ME-109 and a single two-motor aircraft were seen.
- Jüterbog (E69):
 - Altea Lager: In early October, this field had two squadrons (35 planes each) of three-motor bombers, a pursuit squadron of fifteen fighter aircraft, a reconnaissance group of fifteen planes (described as double-deckers), and five Fieseler Storch used as spotters. There is also a flying school at the field.
 - Damm (E68): Although it was being used as a tank training ground in early October, this field has not been completely torn up and is still in sufficiently good condition to permit landings. Damm serves as a repair depot for all planes damaged in the Jüterbog area.
- Perleberg (T70): Heavy air activity is reported by [REDACTED] who visited this field in mid-September and observed tow-target practice and parachute jump training. Forty-two pursuit aircraft were parked on the field. The landing area is 2,000 meters long and 1,800 meters wide, covered with grass and in good condition. Two hangars and two repair shops are in good shape. Two underground gas tanks in front of the hangars and along the railroad tracks are believed to have a capacity of 50,000 liters each, but it is not known if they are being used. North of the field, on the road to Lenzen (T40), another fuel dump consists of some 150-200-liter drums and twelve fuel tanks (mostly underground). Six tank-trucks delivering fuel on 25 September were marked:

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The directional searchlight, moving from north to east, is now being used.

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4. Salzweidel (Y27): The airport was ~~not in use~~ ^{CONFIDENTIAL} in late October. Installations and barracks - the latter originally intended to be turned over for German emergency housing use - have been dismantled. Approximately one battalion of troops stationed in the border area was shifted to Lagendorf, Reddigau, and Høddersen on 24 September.
 5. Rechlin (U33): Artillery troops occupied the barracks in late October, but there was no air activity and the former GAF test field was not being used.
 6. Quedlinburg (D35): This field is scheduled to be dismantled completely, according to a source who visited this area between 15 and 30 October.
 7. Erfurt (J36): An increase in air activity at the end of October is reported. Formation flights of about thirty planes each, apparently bombers, were seen.
 8. Weimar (J57): The former GAF field north of Weimar is now being used for agricultural purposes. A new small airstrip (unlocated) built by the Russians in 1945 is in use, but air activity, confined to two or three biplanes, is negligible.
 9. Cottbus (A57):
 - a) Large quantities of gasoline are being received at this field. On 17 October, fifteen tank-cars arrived; each is estimated to have been of 3,000-liter capacity.
 - b) [REDACTED], visiting Cottbus on 27 October, reports that work on the field has been completed, including a concrete runway capable of supporting bombers. Eighteen IL aircraft were observed flying at an altitude of 800-1,500 meters.
 10. Neuruppin (Z49): The field has been abandoned and the runways destroyed, according to a 6 November report. Activities have been transferred to a field near the village of Werder close to Neuruppin. (Comment: [REDACTED] probably refers to Nietwerder, Z49).
 11. Barth (P25): The entire field is being dismantled. Operations observed on 11 November included the dismantling of barracks and hangars.
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12. Oranienburg (Z67): Strong air force units arrived in mid-September, presumably from Werneuchen (V06). Air activity has increased.
 13. Rangsdorf (Z82): A [REDACTED] reports having observed "several hundred" small Soviet aircraft on this field on 24 October.
 14. Jena (J66): [REDACTED] state that the airfield was abandoned in March 1946. All equipment was dismantled. The hangars remain intact.

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