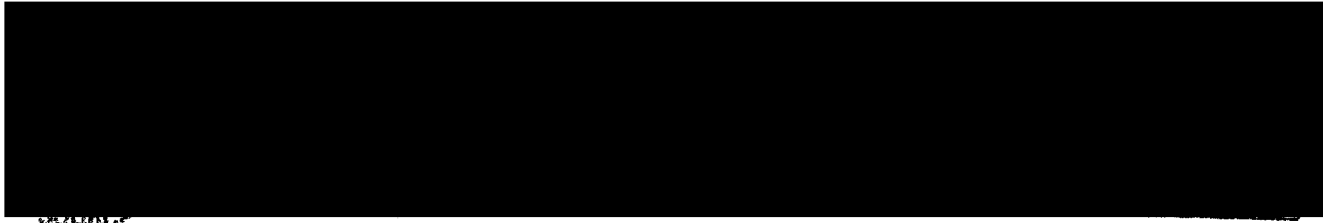


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The following information was recently received concerning Russian OB and military installations in Lithuania:

1. MVD Troops

50,000 troops in Lithuania engaged against Lithuanian Partisans

Troop concentrations as follows:

- Vilna -- 2 regiments MVD Troops (8,000)
- Kaunas -- 2 " " " (8,000)
- Memel -- 1 regiment " " (4,000)
- Stauliai -- 1 " " " (4,000)
- Panevezys -- 1 " " " (4,000)

In addition, scattered detachments and HQ troops increase total to about 50,000

Commander-in-Chief of MVD Troops in Lithuania -- Major General Bartasiusas, a Russian with a Lithuanian name; is also Lithuanian Minister of Interior.

Lieutenant General Effimof, Minister of State Security and Chief of MGB in Lithuania

MVD Colonel Voroncov, Commander of Kaunas District.

MVD Major Stukas, Commander of Vilna District, a former Lithuanian officer, previously sentenced for serving as a spy for the Russians.

MVD Officer School, established in Vilna in 1945. Attended by 600 students; period of training, 1 1/2 years; courses believed to be in political field only.

Small secret organization referred to as SMERSH with small number of personnel also in Lithuania, to check activities of MVD-MGB. A Miss Filkelstein, of Vilna and Kaunas, has been identified as a member of the SMERSH organization.

A Major General Slavinas, 33 year-old long time citizen of Lithuania, who is well educated, divides his time between Vilna and Berlin while performing his administrative duties.

2. Red Army Troops

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There are staffs of officers for 26 Russian divisions in Lithuania, including MGO's, but enlisted men are being demobilized and only skeleton divisions remain with approximately 2,000 men to a division. However, each division is fully supplied with arms and munitions for full division strength. 25X1A9a

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Main bases and disposition of troops in Red Army are as follows:

Vilna and its suburbs -- 3 infantry divisions, including the Lithuanian Division
1 artillery division

Kaunas ----- 1 infantry division
1 coast guard division, with the Russian Navy

In each District town are found some skeleton divisions, totaling approximately 20 infantry divisions, three artillery divisions, and two tank divisions.

One coast guard division. Some Signal Corps and engineering troops (only a few) in Lithuania.

All Lithuanian-Russian troops belong to the Baltic Military District with HQ in Riga. This applies also to Russian troops in East Prussia.

At New Vilna there is a huge ammunition dump.

3. Main Air Bases

Vilna Air Base, ten kilometers east of Vilna: Of 200 planes, 150 are fighters, 50 are reconnaissance planes, a small number are two-engine bombers.

Memel Air Base: 50 reconnaissance planes. It has very large dromes.

Kaunas Air Base, five kilometers west of Kaunas: 150 fighters and a small number of trainers.

Siauliai Air Base, 14 kilometers north of the city: A training station, some fighters.

Panevozyz Air Base: Reconnaissance and a small number of fighter planes.

Approximately 600 Russian fighters in Lithuania.

The smaller airfields in Lithuania are being rebuilt by the Russians. Lithuania was formerly divided into 26 administrative districts, each with approximately three auxiliary airfields, except in the southwestern area where about five airfields are being built for each district. The Russians have reported considerable progress in this reconstruction.

4. Naval Information

At Pillau there is reported to be extensive reconstruction and development in progress. According to one informant, special trains brought 2,000 technicians and engineers into the area in July 1945. Since that time the region has been placed under heavy guard.

An eight-kilometer security zone is being maintained along the entire Baltic coastal area.

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