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SUBJECT Plane Development, Dismantling at the Siebel  
Flugzeugwerke, Halle

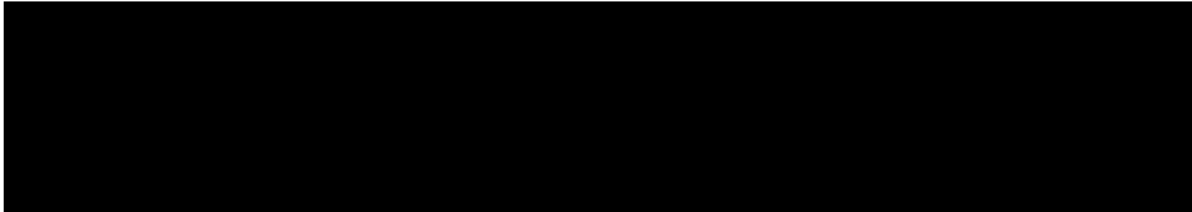
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B-6 1. During the last months of the war, the Siebel aircraft plant in Halle had developed but not yet put in production a new plane, known as "Forschungsflugzeug 8-346", a single-seater constructed of duraluminum. Propulsion of the plane is supplied by two "Walter Units" using liquid fuel, and the plane is launched from a carrier plane. The goal was to reach an altitude of 20,000 meters and a speed of 2,000 km. per hour. The wing span is nine meters, the fuselage spindle-shaped with a maximal diameter of 1.60 meters. Instead of the conventional landing gear, the plane has a retractable landing skid. The pilot's seat is built into the front end of the fuselage. The motor is located in the center of the fuselage and is supposed to be the same as that of the earlier model, known as the "Tailless Fighter 8-163" (Ma-163 ?). A great operational range was supposed to make the 8-346 useful as long-range weapon. A new fuel, known as TC-1, is used for the plane.

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B-6 2. Another report, [REDACTED] stated that in 1946 continuous changes and improvements were made on this plane, called the "Type 364", and that a finished plane of this type was shipped to Moscow for testing in August. After that, work began on a second plane, which was not completed. This plane was said to have a tear-shaped fuselage nine meters in length, short, slanted, blunt wings. Flight duration was given as 25 minutes, speed approximately 1200 km./h. The fuel was reported to consist of two liquids which are tanked separately and burned as a mixture. The plane was to be launched from the top of a carrier plane in order to increase the operational range.

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B-2 3. A third report, [REDACTED] stated that 1800 men were employed in the total dismantling of the Siebel plant, which was begun at the end of October coupled with the deportation of the leading technicians. The remaining Siebel personnel was discharged as of 31 December 1946. SMA Karlshorst has ordered the blasting of the factory installations but no definite decision has been reached on this point.

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