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- On 5 January 1947, the second completed train equipped with instruments for remote-controlled V-weapons left Factory 3 in Klein Bodungen (C92). It consisted of eighty-four cars, of which twenty-two were passenger and the rest freight cars. All cars were built for Russian gauge lines.
- On 7 January, remaining engineers and other employees who had worked on the equipment of this train were released. Their discharge papers stated, "We regret to have to dissolve the labor contract, due to the curtailment of work and on suggestion of the Technical Special Commission." Formal closing of the works at Klein Bodungen and Bleicherode occurred at 1800 hours, 7 January.
- There have been no deportations from this installation since 21 October 1946. Director-General Friedel, Director Haldt, Director Völkert, and Flügel, chief of the main stock rooms, are winding up affairs. They hope to open an electro-mechanical workshop in Sondershausen (D11), utilizing material "put aside beforehand" and factory equipment purchased from the Russians.

Production of V-weapons has been completely suspended at Sommerda (J39). A major part of the installation has been sent to Russia; a small portion was transferred to the buildings of the Brunnguell concern in Sondershausen. Dr. Simuneit was the only member of the Sommerda staff sent on to the latter town. All evidence of production in Sommerda was ordered to be destroyed by 13 January.

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