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SUBJECT Status of the Zeiss Works in Jena and Moscow

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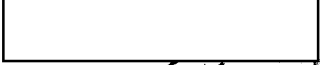
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1. Since completion of the dismantlings at the Zeiss works in Jena, only optical and photographic production have been resumed under the new factory director, Dipl. Ing. O. Schmidt. The section for the production of microscopes and measuring apparatus suffered most during the dismantling. Schmidt does not anticipate the resumption of microscope production before mid-1948. Measuring equipment is being made only to fill the factory's needs. Information on the status of the spectacle glass and field glass sections is not available.
2. In the photographic section, the Russians are placing great emphasis on Contax production. The plant directors are trying to effect a change in the Russian requisition orders for some of the machines now being used, since their removal would cut production in half. Employees in the Contax department fear deportation along with the equipment as soon as primary production difficulties have been overcome. The section director, Windel, fled some time ago.
3. Prospects are favorable in the optical section, which in normal times produced twenty-three percent of the entire plant output. This section still has at its disposal over 105 tons of raw optical glass in eighty types, which were assigned to it by Major Willner, a Soviet official whose brother is a high MVD functionary at Weimar. Machinery in this section, partly damaged by fire and not subject to dismantling, will be relatively easy to repair. Director Schmidt aims at a monthly capacity of 60,000 work hours by the end of 1947 and 120,000 work hours by the end of 1948. These figures are twice those previously planned. At present, the optical section is working on a Soviet order for 2,000 Tessar lenses (f 3.5, 5 cm) to be used in the aircraft machine gun camera, "Pau", developed by Zeiss in 1945. The delivery date for this order is 30 July 1947.
4. At the Schottwerke (Zeiss), dismantling is continuing. If machines are in duplicate, one is retained by the Schottwerke. In contrast to methods used at the main Zeiss plant, an attempt is being made

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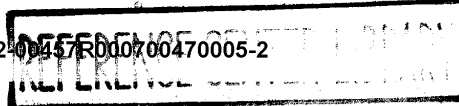
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by the Russians to obtain specialized workers through voluntary contracts. The form of the contract was worked out together with the factory director, the plant council, and the Free German Trade Union (FDGB). This contract has not been completed, but to date its provisions include the continuation of claims to German social insurance and the right to send back to Germany seventy-five percent of the money, reckoned on a dollar basis, earned in Russia.

5. Close, if somewhat strained, relations still exist between the Jena business directorate and the former directorate now at Heidenheim (S71, American Zone). The slight tension stems from the statement of Dr. Kuppenbender, of the Jena directorate, that his colleagues had made too few preparations against the possibility of dismantling, so that there are no reserves of machines and equipment available for production. Dr. Kuppenbender is said to be counting on the return of the Heidenheim staff to Jena within three to five years. Until that time, he feels it his duty to hold the group together and to influence them against receiving or accepting any American offers. [redacted] Dr. Kuppenbender, in his turn, appears to be unduly influenced by his two counselors, Dr. Gossler and Meyer. The latter is the former Zeiss representative in the United States.

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- 25X1 a. Former Jena sections for optics, astro-photography, surveying instruments, and fine grinding (Feinschleifereien), as well as the development laboratories, have been installed.
- b. Research work interrupted by the end of the war has been resumed.
- c. Foremen, for the most part, are still employed as machine workers.
- 25X1 d. Factory buildings for a new plant have been constructed according to plans drawn up at Jena. These buildings had not been occupied up to the beginning of April.

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