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the number of Schutzpolizei in
the Soviet Zone will be increased considerably in the near future. The
police will be billeted in barracks. The move is prompted by the desire
to transfer the police authority from the municipalities to land govern-
ments.

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on
24 July 1948 that the Grenzpolizei will be reorganized into companies
which will be housed and fed by local authorities, even though the
Grenzpolizei is not under their jurisdiction. Two companies called
"Hundertschafter" are functioning already in Thuringia. Their location
is unknown.   Comment: The above actions are in line with the
Soviet tendency to convert the police into a paramilitary organization.
the new Soviet Zone police will
resemble MVD regiments. It should be noted that paramilitary police
organizations, so-called Kasernierte Polizei, are specifically forbidden
by the Potsdam Agreement.)

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