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whose contents are given only in so far as they could be reliably determined. Investigation of closed cars has become more difficult because pains had been taken to have all cars closed tightly and Russian guards have been closely watching the trains during stops in Frankfurt/Oder.

An unusually large number of officers was among the military leave personnel in both directions; about 12 or 13 cars of every transport were reserved for officers and employees of military government of officer rank.

2. On 10 September, information on planes flying in five groups of approximately 20 planes each, was sighted over Frankfurt/Oder. The planes proceeded at high altitude and appeared to consist mainly of bombers, with a few fighter planes. During the second half of September, Russian fighter and reconnaissance planes have been flying over Frankfurt/Oder in the daytime and at night, singly and in small groups of three to five planes.
3. During the month of September 1948, 135 empty trains returned from Russia and moved through Frankfurt/Oder on their way to Germany; a few of the cars were loaded with large iron bars. In addition, the following westbound transports were observed moving through Frankfurt/Oder:

<u>No. of Trains</u>	<u>No. of Cars</u>	<u>Description of Transports</u>
2	76	Small automobiles of Russian make
1	41	Large iron rods
1	(unspecified)	Large iron rods
1	(unspecified)	Closed cars, allegedly containing wheat
2	78	One rectangular box per car of undetermined content (guarded)
12	349	Military personnel returning from furlough, approx. 11,200 men
17	701	Prisoners of war, approx. 23,600
1	42	30 medium guns, guarded, proceeding to Eberswalde on 20 September
1	36	Infantry troops, including officers, approx. 1,200 men, equipped with small arms (2 September)
1	42	ditto, approx. 1,500 men (9 September)
1	37	ditto, approx. 1,000 men (12 September)
1	36	Air Force troops, EM and many officers, approx. 1,000 men, equipped with small arms (13 September)

4. During September 1948, the following transports passed through Küstrin-Kietz; they were bound, except where otherwise indicated, for Insterburg:

<u>No. of Trains</u>	<u>No. of Cars</u>	<u>Description of Transports</u>
7	375	Cement
22	1,167	Scrap iron
3	159	Lumber
2	106	Timber for mines
1	40	Guns, approx. 80, with rubber tires
	10	Munitions, guarded
		German refugees, westbound:
1	53	from Insterburg
1	522	from Tapiau
1	55	from Königsberg

During the same period, 37 empty trains returned from Russian and passed through Küstrin-Kietz on their way to Germany.

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5. ~~Transportations~~ ~~on their way to Forst and Guben:~~

<u>No. of Trains</u>	<u>No. of Cars</u>	<u>Description of Transports</u>
2	26	Centrifuges, new
2	52	Five-ton trucks, new
1	32	Five-ton trucks, new, and 200 motorcycles
2	39	Motorcycles, new
1	13	Compressors
1	22	Agricultural machines, new
1	16	Artificial silk
1	22	Chinaware from Meissen
1	16	Sewing machines, new
1	8	Glass equipment

6. In addition, the following transports of interest passed during the month of September through Elsterwerda to points indicated below:

<u>No. of Cars</u>	<u>Description of Transports</u>	<u>Destination</u>
22	Heavy bridge construction material	Cottbus
18	Foreign workers, approx. 300	Elsterwerda
22	Conscripted civilian labor	Hoyerswerda
80	Civilian internees	Aue
28	German civilians to be trained as members of "Volkskontrolle"	Elsterwerda
24	Resettlers from East Prussia to be employed in uranium mining area	Pirna
16	Sound locaters for airfields	Klotzsche
6	Poison matter (liquid)	Berlin
10	Infantry and light artillery munition	Reichenbach
20	Explosives and munitions	Erfurt
5	High explosives, cars strongly guarded	Berlin
36	Explosives	Finsterwalde
15	Explosives	Plauen
18	Explosives	Freiberg
21	Technical troops	Eisleben
42	Technical troops, approx. 1,000 men	Erfurt
32	Russian engineering troops, with equipment	Bodenbach (Podmokly)
36	Technical and signal troops, approx. 700 men, and equipment	Radebeul
28	Anti-aircraft detachment (Abteilung) with 25 guns of 80-100 mm. caliber	Radebeul
28	Infantry troops, approx. 600	Klotzsche
32	Infantry troops, approx. 800 men	Bautzen
20	Infantry troops with small arms, approx. 500 men	Dresden
32	Anti-aircraft detachment with light mortars	Grimma
unspecified	Young infantry troops, approx. 800	Thuringia
14	Anti-aircraft 100 mm. guns, approx. 30	Eisenberg-Klotzsche
22	Shells for Air Force munitions	Erfurt
12	Small-arms ammunition	Erfurt
25	Artillery ammunition	Erfurt
26	Medium and light anti-aircraft guns, approx. 50	Bernsdorf near Klotzsche
32	Timber for fortifications	Eisenach
16	Single-motored planes, repaired	Klotzsche
43	Airplane engines	Klotzsche
28	Airplanes, repaired, and spare parts	Klotzsche
14	Airplanes, new	Klotzsche
18	Airplanes	Klotzsche
88	RR flatcars for shipment of tan	Klotzsche

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14	Motorcycles, new	Klotzsche
18	Airplanes to be repaired	Rangsdorf
58	RR flatcars for shipment of tanks	Bautzen
26	Trucks and trailers, new	Frankfurt/Oder
16	Power units for searchlights	Tharandt
12	Measuring instruments	Dresden
14	Measuring instruments	Pirna
16	Measuring instruments from "Helius"	Spremberg
30	Gasoline in tank cars	Klotzsche
14	Fuel for boiler plant	Klotzsche
14	Gasoline (in barrels)	Klotzsche
12	<del>Anti-personnel</del> mines	Finsterwalde
12	Leather equipment for troops	Dresden
12	Steel mine cases	Bautzen

7. The former camp for "eastern workers" in Elsterwerda has been occupied since approximately 12 September by a group of German civilians, 18 to 25 years old. The men have been taking part in field exercises and have been receiving instruction in the handling and firing of infantry rifles. The men are SED members and say they belong to the "Volkseigene Schutzpolizei" (People's Own Security Police).
8. The following transports bound for Frankfurt/Oder, passed during September 1948 through Zossen:

<u>No. of Cars</u>	<u>Description of Transports</u>
64	Barracks and wooden houses
16	Insulation material (ceramic)
28	Timber for mines and construction wood
32	Agricultural machines
32	Plaster
18	Equipment for bridge construction
28	Grain

9. The addition, the following transports of interest passed through Zossen to destinations indicated:

<u>No. of Cars</u>	<u>Description of Transports</u>	<u>Destination</u>
9	Shells for infantry ammunition	Amgermuende
16	Multiple rocket launchers, motorized	Kummersdorf
9	Precision instruments from Zeiss	Greifswald
24	40 light armored reconnaissance cars	Wuensdorf
50	Gasoline	Rangsdorf
32	Infantry troops from Neuruppin, with machine gun detachment	Wuensdorf
32	Demobilized men (over 40 years of age)	Frankfurt/Oder
28	Technical troops and MVD soldiers, approx. 400 men, from Oranienburg	Zossen
28	Recruits about 17-18 years of age	Wuensdorf
12	Sharpshooter detachment (Abteilung) with targets	Werder
42	Young German civilian internees, approx. 700 men	Aue
50	Russian prisoners, heavily guarded, from Oranienburg	Aue
6	Precision instruments	Cottbus
12	Electric measuring instruments from AEG	Dresden
12	Optical measuring instruments from Zeiss	Anklam
14	Optical measuring instruments	Pirna
24	Infantry ammunition	Pritzwalk
10	Explosives	Rangsdorf

