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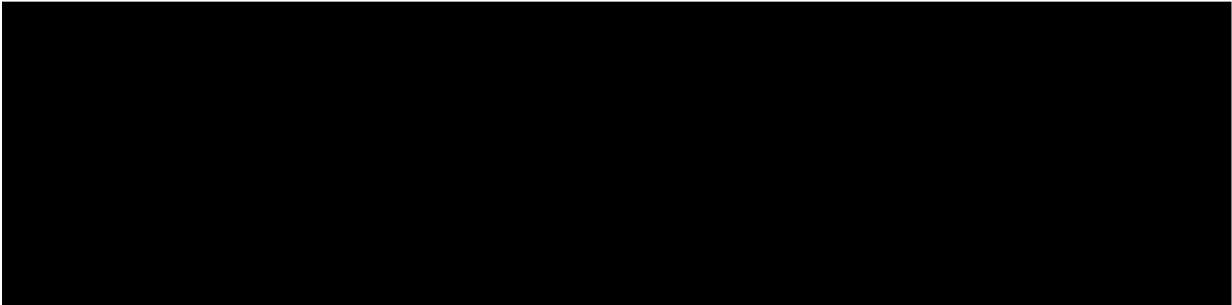
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1. Kummersdorf (V12)

The following are stationed in the former research plant at the Kummersdorf Artillery Range: a tank regiment with JS-1 tanks; an artillery unit with 107-mm AA guns; an air force unit with three PO-2 aircraft; and a services company. Vehicle sheds contained fifty T-34/85, fifteen JS-1, and twelve 107-mm guns. According to a well-placed informant, these units originally belonged to a division in Luckenwalde (Z70) which is now in Wunsdorf (Z91). Part of the barracks, dismantled a few months ago, are being repaired at high speed. Vehicles on the range: C8-84-28 to 75, 174-24-39 to 71, and others in the C 4-25 and C 4-43 series.

2. Wunsdorf (Z91)

- a. The former Wehrmacht bakery currently bakes bread daily for 18,000 men of the Wunsdorf-Zossen garrisons.
- b. Wunsdorf installations are guarded by a MP company and a MVD unit; the latter being responsible for the area Wunsdorf-Zossen-Rehagen-Sperenberg-Kummersdorf-Rangsdorf. The MVD men are housed in the Sportschule and at Reichsstrasse 96. A branch MVD office is located in Zossen at Mittenwalderstrasse 19.

3. Zossen (Z91)

- a. The fuel dump near the Zossen Bahnhof contains 200,000 liters of gasoline in underground tanks and 200-300 barrels of Diesel oil (each 200 liter capacity). The dump guard detachment consists of one officer, one NCO, and nine E4.
- b. The former post office, with amplifier station, is occupied by a communications battalion headquarters affiliated with amplifier units at Sollsen and Treuenbrietzen (Z50) and subordinate to a regimental headquarters in Biesdorf (Z95), APO 52873.
- c. A large telephone central is being erected behind the Zossen transformer station. According to another well-placed informant, men engaged in this work are under direct orders from Karlshorst and are not permitted to

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associate with local troops. It is rumored that Zossen, with its Zeppelin I and II lines, is to be the future headquarters of the Soviet Army in Germany.

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Comment: In April 1948 another source (F-3) reported that lines were being run from the Zossen Zeppelin central to a new command post in the cellar of the Wansdorf Sportschule. He later reported 1-11 June 1948, that the Zossen booster station designated Maybach I and II, which serviced Hitler's headquarters, had been reactivated.

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- d. Construction of a railroad line from Zossen to Potsdam is to be started as soon as current work on the Zossen-Königswusterhausen line has been completed. The latter stretch was begun by the German Army in 1945 to provide direct connection between Zossen headquarters and the Oder Front.
- e. Vehicles observed at Zossen barracks were in the C 2-25 and C 4-25 series. The following were seen at a check point recently established on the Wansdorf-Zerensdorf road:

B 6-77	C 6-43	□ 2-25	□ 4-26
C 2-25	E 6-46	□ 3-18	□ 4-43
C 4-65	E 5-38	□ 4-24	□ 6-46
C 4-69	E 2-26	□ 4-25	□ 8-51

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