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1. According to German prisoners-of-war returned from the Soviet Union, guided missiles are being produced in the vicinity of Kaliningrad in the Moscow area. The factory lies south of a railway line near a station. A second factory, located at the same station but north of the railway line, produces guns. [redacted] Comment: [redacted] implies that the second factory has some connection with the first but does not elucidate. According to [redacted], it is the factory north of the railway which is working on guided missiles, and the one south of the station which produces guns.)

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2. The conversion of the first-mentioned plant to the production of V-weapons was begun at about the beginning of 1947 (or, in any case, during the winter of 1946-47). Throughout 1947, the factory workshops and halls were enlarged and machines were installed. It is believed that the machines originated in Germany, since they had German markings and had been used.

3. Belonging to the factory is a camp holding about 1,500 prisoners-of-war. The number varied, however, from 1,000 to 2,000 during the construction work. According to an unconfirmed report, the number of Russian workers was from 4,000 to 6,000. It was estimated that there was one German prisoner to every three or four Russian workers.

4. About 50 German engineers also were employed at this factory. Research was done mainly by Germans. There were possibly 40 to 70 Russian engineers or technicians employed there.

5. Up to the winter of 1947-48, only a few parts for V-2s but no complete missiles were produced in the factory. Parts for V-2s delivered from Germany were assembled in the factory and the completed missiles were transported to another location. According to another report, the completed projectiles were transported to a testing station located in a forest south of Kaliningrad. A train on which a V-weapon projector had been mounted had long stood at the factory but was never used.

6. There is an airfield south (sic) of the factory, connected to a railway station by a double-track line which goes through the factory.

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