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COUNTRY Soviet Zone, Germany

TOPIC Motor Vehicle Spare Parts Plant of the Soviet Army in BERLIN-

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1. A Soviet motor vehicle spare parts plant, [redacted] was observed on 26 June 1949 at 1-5 Ostendstrasse, in the area of the former "NAG", BERLIN-OBERSCHLOSSENWEIDE (N 53/Z 94).
2. Production of this plant: engine blocks and gears for "Studebaker" motor vehicles and spare parts for motor vehicles delivered to the SU by the USA under Lend-Lease.
3. Monthly output:
 - About 100 Studebaker engines
 - About 200 spare parts for engines and gears of Dodge motor vehicles
 - About 150 spare parts for Ford motor vehicles
 - About 180 spare parts for Chevrolet motor vehicles
 - Spare parts for engines and gears of other small motor vehicles of all kinds.
4. Motor vehicles were no longer manufactured in the plant. Dodge, Ford, and Chevrolet duplicates were allegedly manufactured in the Soviet Union proper.

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- a. The above report confirms the BERLIN-OBERSCHLOSSENWEIDE 53rd Central Repair Shop [redacted] up to 26 June 1949.
- b. According to information obtained in January 1949, two hundred Soviet soldiers were employed as foremen and supervisors in the former "NAG" Plant on Ostendstrasse; the German personnel numbered about 2,500 at that time. The report further stated that Studebaker motor vehicles were

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being manufactured (manufacture was discontinued, according to par.4 of the above report).

c. No other information on the production of motor vehicle spare parts and the monthly output of the plant has been obtained for comparison.

d. From numerous shipping lists secured from the BERLIN RR District, it may be assumed that the 53rd Central Repair Shop is a collecting point (possibly located in the KOLNIGG/OSTERHAGEN-ZUESSEN area) where supply shipments of motor vehicles regularly arriving from the CU are sent.

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