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COUNTRY Soviet Zone, Germany REPORT 50X1-HUM  
TOPIC Soviet Troops in the POTSDAM Area

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REMARKS                     

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1. Former Panzer Kaserne, west of KRAMPNITZ (N 53/Z 64), on the road to FAHRLAND (N 53/Z 54) \*:

Occupied by motorized units totaling about 2,500 troops.

[Redacted]

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The following detailed information was secured:

a. Component unit of the 614th "Chelyabinsk" Tank Regt  
One officer: 1st Lt PEPIYOKOV

[Redacted]

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Troops were trained in the kaserne area with four T 34 tanks with long-barreled guns.

b. Infantry unit of about 300 troops, between 18 and 21 years of age, allegedly recruits.

Only small arms and machine guns on tripod mounts were observed with the troops.

[Redacted]

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c. Mortar unit of unknown strength. Trucks [Redacted]

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[Redacted] each occupied by about ten soldiers and pulling mortars of about 120 mm caliber left the kaserne for a nearby training area.

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d. Driver school with trucks



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The troops observed there were 13 to 20 years of age.



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2. Former Artillerie Kaserne on Jungfernssee, corner of Medlitzer Strasse: \*\*

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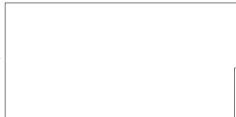
Occupied by an artillery unit of 1,000 to 1,200 troops.



The troops observed in the Kaserne were about 25 years of age, most of them wore war decorations.

eleven bunker-like cantonment buildings, in which heavy weapons and motor vehicles were allegedly stored, were located in the southeastern Kaserne section.

Motor vehicles in the Kaserne area:



radio track with extended antenna track

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3. Former Artillerie Kaserne north of "Pfingstberg": \*\*\*

a. Artillery unit of about 500 men, about 25 years of age, quartered in the northern Kaserne section.

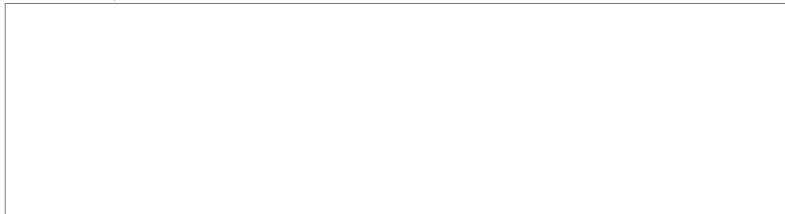
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No heavy weapons were observed.

b. Engineer unit of about 200 troops, from 21 to 25 years of age, wearing black epaulets, some with the silver crossed-hammer insignia, quartered in the southern Kaserne section.

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No heavy weapons were observed.

c. Signal unit of about 200 troops, from 21 to 25 years of age. Three high steel radio masts were observed in the Kaserne area.

4. Former Infanterie Kaserne on "Am Schragen", corner of Kappelallee : \*\*\*\*

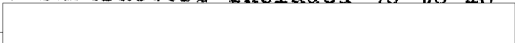
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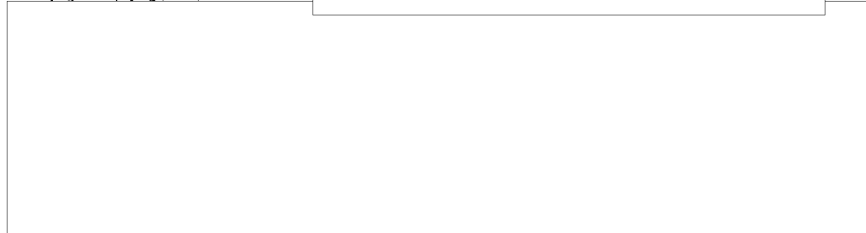


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occupied by a training class of 200 to 250 officers since 1 August 1949. The officers were allegedly administrative officers, ranking from second lieutenant to captain, from 25 to 30 years of age. The staff of instructors included 30 to 40 field officers.



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5. Former "Heeres Kriegeschule" on the southern border of "Bornstedter Feld", corner of Pappelallee and Kirchallee:\*\*\*\* Occupied by a kommandantura unit of about 200 men.

6. Former Garde Jnanen Kaserne between Ruinenbergstrasse and Brandhorstweg: \*\*\*\*\*

lightly occupied by about 150 troops, about 25 years of age, wearing black-bordered red epaulets and war decorations.



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7. Former Infanterie Kaserne on Brentanoweg, Jaegerallee and Voltairoweg: (x)

kommandantura unit of about 300 men, 25 to 28 years of age, most of them wearing war decorations.

150 to 200 troops were daily leaving the Kaserne for "Bornstedter Feld" to practice close combat and defense against strafing aircraft.



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8. Former Infanterie Kaserne east of Jaegerallee: (xx)

Occupied by an artillery unit of about 200 troops, from 25 to 28 years of age.

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[Redacted]

No heavy weapons were observed.

[Redacted] **Comment:** According to previous information and to the above report, which is given credence, the following units were located in the kasernes in the Potsdam area:

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\* a. Former Panzer Kaserne west of Krampnitz:

(1) The Krampnitz Panzer Kaserne is identical to the former "Kavallerie Schule", Krampnitz. Only component units of the 1st Mecz Div and of the 56th Motor Trans Regt of the Group of Occupation Forces Germany are assumed from previous information to be located in this kaserne.

(2) It was assumed [Redacted] the 10th Gds Tank Div (Cadre) [Redacted] units [Redacted] are also stationed in Krampnitz. [Redacted]

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[Redacted] This information also confirms the disposition of the 10th Gds Tank Div (Cadre) in the area west of Berlin (the quartering area being previously ascertained only by the identification of the Falkensee Hq of the division in the late fall of 1948 [Redacted])

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[Redacted]

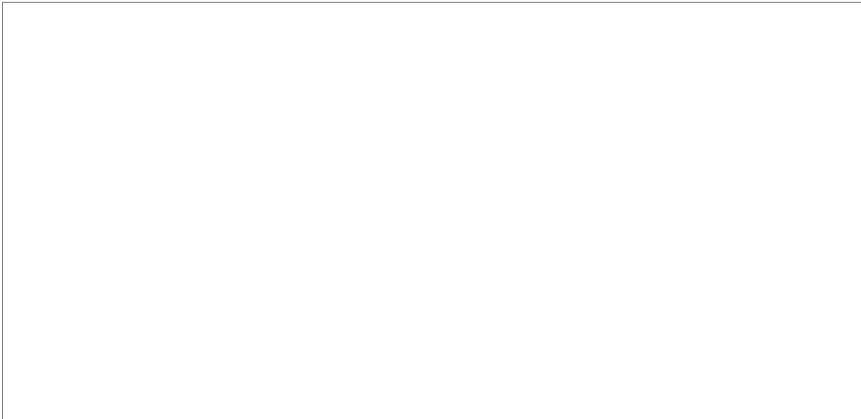
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**\*\* b. Former Artillerie Kaserne:**

(Also called Garde Feldartillerie Kaserne or Linden-  
dorff Kaserne)

Artillery units of the Group of Occupation Forces  
Germany were stationed in this Kaserne, as numerous  
previous reports stated.

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**\*\*\* c. Former Artillerie Kaserne, north of "Fingstberg"  
(also called Jellius Kaserne):**

GHQ units of the Group of Occupation Forces Germany are  
quartered in this Kaserne. In detail the following  
units can be assumed to be located there:

Artillery units (presumably of the 2d GIs AAA Div;

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engineer units [redacted]  
repeatedly reported in connection with amphibian cars)  
Signal unit (radio station with three steel masts was  
confirmed).

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**d. Former Infanterie Kaserne on "Im Schragen", corner  
of Rappelallee (also called former Adolf Hitler Kaserne):**

Units and staffs of the Group of Occupation Forces Ger-  
many were located there [redacted]

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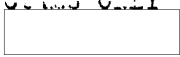
The information that courses for administrative  
officers were held in this Kaserne is given credence,  
since [redacted] the supply and  
Administration section of the Group of Occupation  
Forces Germany is purportedly located there.

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e. Former "Meeres-Kriegsschule" on "Bornstedter Feld":

The occupation of this kaserne was previously unknown. The kaserne was to be prepared as bachelor officer billets by late April 1949.

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f. Former Garde Ulmen Kaserne (possibly also called Hohenlohe Kaserne):

No definite information on the occupation of this kaserne was yet available. The kaserne is possibly occupied by SMA units.



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(x) g. Former Infanterie Kaserne, bordering on Brentanoweg, Jaegerallee, Voltairestrasse (also called former Polizei Kaserne or Jaeger Kaserne):

Information  that about 500 troops were quartered in this Kaserne was confirmed by the above report. The troops are believed to belong to two units of the Group of Occupation Forces Germany.

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(xx) h. Former Infanterie Kaserne, east of Jaegerallee (also called former "Meeres Unteroffizier Schule"):

The artillery unit (of the GOFG?) stationed in this kaserne is known from previous reports.

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