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The following information on the 40th Tobrucky Inf Bn, UHERSKE HRADISTE (P 50/T 09), was secured:

1. Higher headquarters: Infantry division in KROMERITZ ? (P 50/N 92)
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3. Officers: CO: LtCol NEJVSD, a Communist; Dpty CO: Maj HAVRLIK, anti-Communist; C/S: Staff Capt GUSIL, anti-Communist; DOZ Officer: Capt GREGOR, an ardent Communist.
4. Quarters: New brick barracks on the eastern perimeter of the town, north of the road to MARATICE (P 50/T 09).
5. Organization: Standard organization of an independent infantry battalion, but having only two infantry companies.
6. Strength: 40 officers, 180 NCOs, 700 BM.
7. Armament: Rifles (German), rifles with telescopic sight, 9-mm submachine guns (German), 9-mm Parabola pistols, 7.92-mm light machine guns (Czech), heavy machine guns (Czech), six 120-mm mortars (German), four 76-mm antitank guns (Soviet), six infantry guns (German), four flame throwers.
8. Vehicles: Four small half-track vehicles, four large half-track vehicles (German), fifteen 1.5-ton GAZ trucks, five Studebaker trucks, three Bedford trucks, several passenger cars and motorcycles.
9. Training: The battalion participated in combined arms maneuvers in MESTO LIBAVA (P 50/O 07) from 1 June to 30 August 1949.

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10. Other units [redacted]

27th Liptovsky Inf Bn, UMERSKE HRADISTE; Officer candidate school [redacted], UMERSKE HRADISTE.

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a. The 40th Mtz Inf Bn is known to be in UMERSKE HRADISTE. It may be assigned to the KROHLRITZ Hq of the 3rd Mtz Inf Div. Although the [redacted] was once reported to belong to the battalion, the [redacted] (verified by military certificate) [redacted]. It is possible, however, [redacted] changed on 1 October 1949, without the deserters knowing of the change. Col MIMARSK had been identified as CO of the battalion in August 1948. He was probably replaced by Lt Col MEDVED, considering the continuous exchange of personnel in Czechoslovakia.

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b. The 27th Inf Bn, also assigned to the 3rd Mtz Inf Div, and the officer candidate school [redacted] are both known to be located in UMERSKE HRADISTE.

1 Annex: 1 Standard Manpower Questionnaire.

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