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25X1 This report, [redacted] lists shipments of the Soviet controlled Vienna transport firm, Juschneschtrans, during the period from 20 January through 16 February 1950. [redacted]

1. POPOV relinquished his position as Soviet Director of Juschneschtrans to MISHIN 16 February 1950 in compliance with new orders from Moscow directing him to leave Vienna 21 February 1950.* Juschneschtrans employees believe he may have been ordered to a new post in Germany rather than to return to the Soviet Union.
2. Juschneschtrans despatching agents have been advised that rail shipments to the Soviet Union will no longer be forwarded to Mukachevo for sorting and re-routing. No explanation for this change has been made, but some Juschneschtrans employees suspect that the Mukachevo railroad yard lacks adequate storage facilities.* Henceforth, each shipment which is to be delivered to the USSR will be shipped from Vienna on a separate bill of lading with the final destination indicated by the Soviets' secret system of numbers. Juschneschtrans employees do not know the key to this numbering system and some doubt that POPOV, himself, knows the true identity of railroad depots receiving Juschneschtrans shipments in the Soviet Union.
3. In comparison with a sum of more than 2,000,000 schillings which Juschneschtrans paid the Austrian National Railways for freight charges incurred during December 1949, Juschneschtrans' bill for January 1950 amounted to 1,100,000 schillings. Juschneschtrans pays the railroads in advance installments of approximately 300,000 schillings two to three times each month. Upon receipt of these payments, the railroads provide Juschneschtrans with a series of receipted vouchers (Stundungsheften). When a shipment is despatched freight charges are recorded on the vouchers which are then turned over to railroad agents as certificates of payment.*(3)

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4. During a recent conversation with a few of his trusted colleagues [redacted] stated that Juschweschtrans is now the sole receiving agent for shipments arriving in Austria from the Satellites. He believes Juschweschtrans' position as a monopoly will remain unchanged even when the Soviets withdraw from Austria, allegedly because future commercial agreements will designate Juschweschtrans as the recipient of shipments despatched by the Soviet-controlled transport firms, Masped, Derutra, Despred, Metrans, and Sovrom transport. [redacted]

5. Export Shipments handled by Juschweschtrans

a. Via DDSG Barge to Ismail

- 4 electric units (Aggregate), each weighing three and one-half tons, from Brown-Boveri A.G., Vienna X.
- 70 electric motors, each weighing 110 kilograms, from Siemens-Schuckert, Engerthstrasse.
- 20 AC generators, each weighing 800 kilograms, from Siemens-Schuckert, Siemensstrasse.
- 4 crates, each containing 40 electrical measuring instruments notably ohm- and ampere meters, from C. P. Goerz.
- 10 cases of ohm- and ampere meters, each case containing 10 separate instruments having a net weight of 20 kilograms, from C. P. Goerz.
- 75 threshing machines, each weighing 600 kilograms, from Hofherr-Schwantz, A.G.
- 10 rolls of ground cable, weighing a total of 31 tons, from Wiener Kabel- und Metallwerke A.G.
- 6 rolls of copper cable, weighing a total of 19.4 tons, from Ariadne Draht-u. Kabelwerke A.G.
- 12 rolls of ground cable, weighing a total of 32 tons, from Ariadne Draht-u. Kabelwerke.
- 10 tons of quick-drying paint from Vinzenz Wagner, Vienna XXII.
- 10 tons of enamel lacquer from Reichhold-Fluegger u. Boecking, Vienna.
- 10 tons of enamel lacquer from W. Megerle Lackfabriken u. Rivalinwerke, Vienna XXI.

By Rail via Mukachevo

- 80 electric motors, weighing a total of 8.8 tons, from Siemens-Schuckert, Engerthstrasse. *(4)
- 10 electric motors, each weighing 1,050 kilograms, from Siemens-Schuckert, Siemensstrasse. *(4)
- 8 electric motors, each weighing 600 kilograms, from AEG-Union, Vienna XXI. *(4)
- 1 transformer, weighing 25 tons, from AEG-Union.
- 18 rolls of ground cable, weighing a total of 74 tons, from Ariadne Draht-u. Kabelwerke A.G., Vienna XI.
- 12 rolls of an unspecified type of cable, weighing a total of 40 tons, from Wiener Kabel- und Metallwerke A.G.
- 30 tons of steel beams from St. Egydyer Eisen- und Stahlindustrie G.m.b.H., St. Egyd am Neuwalde.

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- 16 tons of steel files from St. Egydyer Eisen-und Stahlindustrie G.m.b.H.
- 25 tons of iron pipe from St. Egydyer Eisen-und Stahlindustrie G.m.b.H.
- 117 tons of component parts for power excavators from Leobersdorfer Maschinenfabrik A.G.
- 60 tons of component parts for cranes from Wiener Lokomotivfabrik A.G., Vienna XXI.
- 50 tons of copper bands from a USIA warehouse at Enzesfeld.*(5)
- 30 tons of steel bands from Boehler Gebr. & Co. A.G. Ybbstalwerke, Waidhofen a/d Ybbs.
- 4 centrifugal washing machines, each weighing 650 kilograms, from Strakosch-und Boner Maschinenfabrik G.m.b.H. *(4)
- 4 centrifugal washing machines, each weighing 800 kilograms, from Strakosch-und Boner.*(4)
- 21 threshing machines and 21 separate electric motors from Hofherr-Schranz A.G., Vienna XXI.*(4) The electric motors were manufactured by AEG-Union.
- 60 tons of steel drums, each having a capacity of 200 liters, from F.A. Dreiholz & Co. Wiener Mech. Fassfabrik Kommanditgesellschaft, Vienna XII.*(6)
- 2 or 3 carloads of radiators for steam heating from Niessen-Werke, Vienna XXV.
- 6 cable winches, each weighing 2.9 tons, from the Nibelungenwerke of Steyr-Daimler-Puch A.G., St. Valentin.
- 5 carloads of oak barrels from Johann Drexler u. Sohn, Vienna XXV.
- 75 tons of school notebooks from Croellwitz-Obermuehl Fabrik, Neufelden.
- 2 carloads of school notebooks from Croellwitz-Obermuehl Fabrik.
- 5 carloads of newsprint (Rotationspapier) from Croellwitz-Obermuehl Fabrik.
- 490,000 electric light bulbs from Osram G.m.b.H.
- 39 carloads each containing one ton of hand-blown glass bulbs for electric lights from Wiener Glashüttenwerke A.G., Vienna XXI. Juschwesch-trans dispatched an average of two carloads per day.*(7)
- 9 carloads of paper purchased by the Soviet Trade Delegation in Vienna from a paper mill in Zeltweg, Styria.
- 1,200 kilograms of typewriter ribbons from Guenther Wagner, Vienna X.
- 20 tons of enamel paint from Vinzenz Wagner, Vienna XXI.(4)*
- 10 tons of enamel lacquer from W. Megerle Lackfabriken u. Rivalinwerke, Vienna XXI.*(4)
- 30 tons of veneer from Klostersenburger Holzindustrie A.G.
- 70 tons of rayon yarn from Glanzstoff Fabrik, St. Pölten.
- 8 flat carloads of corrugated metal barracks from Waagner-Biro A.G., Vienna.

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- 8 carloads of corrugated metal barracks from Bahnbedarf A.G., Vienna.
- 7 carloads of corrugated metal barracks from Wiener Brueckenbau- und Eisenkonstruktions A.G., Vienna.
- 10 carloads of corrugated metal barracks from the Nibelungenwerke of Steyr-Daimler-Puch A.G., St. Valentin.
- 15 carloads of corrugated metal barracks from Rax-werk G.m.b.H., Wiener Neustadt.*(8)
- 14 tons of bone glue from Aktiengesellschaft fuer Chemische Industrie, Rannersdorf bei Schwechat.
- 15 tons of industrial gelatin from Aktiengesellschaft fuer Chemische Industrie, Rannersdorf.
- 2 carloads of scythes from Gustav Zeillinger, Tuernitz, Lower Austria.
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which were
- About 100 carloads of excelsior (zellwolle), purchased by the Soviet Trade Delegation, were shipped via Mukachevo to the USSR between 15 December 1949 and 16 February 1950 from Lenzinger zellwolle- und Papierfabrik A.G., Lenzing, Upper Austria.*(9)

b. Shipments to Eastern Germany

- 10 tons of brass sheets from a USIA warehouse at Enzesfeld to Eisenbahn Direktion Chemnitz-Hilbersdorf.
- 10 tons of magnesite shipped on a legal Austrian export permit from Kärnten Magnesitwerke to Bode-Thale.*(10)

c. Shipments to Czechoslovakia

- 200 to 250 tons of scrap metals from various USIA enterprises to Trinec.
- 30 tons of granite paving stones from Pöhrbach-Schrems.

d. Shipments to Hungary

- 800 cubic meters of pit props from USIA estates at Lackenbach to Mased at Felsögalla.
- 800 cubic meters of pit props from USIA estates at Lackenbach to Lignimpex, at Ajka.
- 40 carloads containing 850 cubic meters of sawed timber from USIA estates at Loosdorf to Dorog.

6. Import Shipments handled by Juschweschtransa. Shipments from Czechoslovakia

- 50 carloads of brick to various USIA enterprises.*(11)

b. Shipments from Hungary

- 24 carloads of ornamental glass from Mased, Budapest, to J.M. Voith, St. Poelten, and USIA's Construction and Building Materials Administration.
- 4 carloads of porcelain bathroom fixtures from Mased, Budapest, to USIA.

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c. Shipments from Bulgaria

Juschneschtrans employees learned recently that shipments from Bulgaria to Austria will no longer be sent via Yugoslavia but via Rumania and Hungary.

7. Transit shipments handled by Juschneschtrans

1 carload of rollers (Walzen) and 4 carloads of ball bearings, each containing 16 to 18 tons of ball bearings, shipped from Turin, Italy, to Stanko Import, Moscow.

5 carloads of iron machinery primarily large lathes [redacted] to Maschinimport, Moscow. 25X1

2 carloads containing 10 electric motors, each carload weighing 1,600 kilograms, [redacted] to Stanko Import, Moscow.

20 light tanks (Panzerjaeger), type G-13, each weighing 13,900 kilograms, shipped from the Skoda Works in Pilsen, Czechoslovakia. [redacted]

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[redacted] Juschneschtrans sent the freight invoices on this shipment to Soviet headquarters in the Hotel Imperial where they were held four weeks before Soviet authorities authorized Juschneschtrans to forward this shipment from Summerau on the Austro-Czech border to Buchs via Linz.

15 or 16 bales of cloth, which arrived in Vienna from Czechoslovakia marked for delivery [redacted] were forwarded to a warehouse in Wiener Neustadt. It is believed that "Letex" Ein- und Verkaufszentrale der Vereinigten Leder- und Textilbetriebe, Vienna IV, Theresianungasse 23, a firm which imports textiles from [redacted] Czechoslovakia duty free as Soviet property may have received this shipment. *(12)

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* [redacted] Comment: This is the second time that POPOV's orders have suddenly been changed [redacted] 25X1

** [redacted] Comment: This allegation has been confirmed by a report [redacted] 25X1

that the USA-controlled firm Ueberland Hoch-Tief- u. Strassenbau A.G. has signed a contract with the Hungarian Government to build five new loading ramps and warehouses at the Mukachevo railroad yard by October 1950.

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*(3) [redacted] Comment: Apparently this system of advance payment is standard procedure with the Austrian National Railways. [redacted] similar arrangements which the Soviet Oil Administration has made with the Austrian National Railways [redacted] 25X1

*(4) [redacted] Comment: All shipments marked by asterisk #4 were sent to DDSG during the latter part of January 1950 for shipment by barge and subsequently sent by rail via Mukachevo. [redacted] Comment: During the first weeks of February 1950, the DDSG resumed shipping via the Danube to Ismail.

*(5) [redacted] Comment: Some metal products are manufactured at this USIA warehouse. 25X1

*(6) [redacted] Comment: It is possible that the 5 carloads of gasoline drums reported [redacted] were also shipped from Dreibholz & Co. [redacted] Comment: [redacted] Juschneschtrans despatched 20 carloads of gasoline drums from this firm to Rumania some time before Christmas 1949.

*(7) [redacted] Comment: [redacted] hollow hand-blown glass bulbs which apparently will be used to manufacture electric light bulbs in the Soviet Union.

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*(8) [Redacted] Comment: These shipments of corrugated metal barracks represent part of a Soviet order for 400 corrugated steel sheds [Redacted]

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*(9) [Redacted]

*(10) [Redacted] Comment: Kaernten Magnesitwerke probably refers to Oesterreichisch-Amerikanische Magnesit A.G., Radenthein, Carinthia.

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*(11) [Redacted] Comment: It is possible that this shipment of bricks may be part of an Austro-Czechoslovak compensation agreement [Redacted]

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According to the terms of this transaction, Czechoslovakia agreed to deliver 1,000 carloads of wall bricks to Austria in exchange for a total of 1,000 tons of paving stones.

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*(12) [Redacted]

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