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1. About 40 single-engine low-wing monoplanes with in-line engine and about 20 twin-engine aircraft were parked at Schoenwalde (N 53/Z 66) airfield on 4 April 1950. The open hangars were vacant as far as could be seen. There was no flying.

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2. () on 11 April 1950. Nine twin-engine aircraft were parked in front of the two eastern hangars and about 30 single-engine aircraft in front of the western hangars. A radio station, surrounded by a 1-meter high board fence, was in the southwest corner of the field. It consisted of a small wooden cabin with an antenna rod on its roof and four steel masts, each from 6 to 8 meters high, around.

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(), A sentry wearing black-bordered, blue epaulets was on guard at the field entrance gate. Soldiers wearing red-bordered, black epaulets practiced firing on the firing ranges north of the field entrance.

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3. Many sentries wearing blue epaulets guarded the field area and the road along the field border on 11 April 1950. They were allegedly searching

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4. There was continuous flying with single-engine ground attack aircraft between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. on 13 April 1950 in usually fair weather. The planes were of the usual configuration with an antenna rod forward of cockpit, some with a weapon projecting beyond the rear, [REDACTED]. Only local flights were made in the morning but formation flying with two, three, four and nine planes was done in the afternoon. Flying activity was not interrupted at noon. It was again noticed that the landing flaps were three-sectional with one section under the fuselage.

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[REDACTED] Comment : [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] The occupation by single- and twin-engine aircraft is concordantly reported. **This is evidence that** the single-engine planes are IL-10s. This confirms the observations [REDACTED] according to which the field is occupied by a ground attack regiment and a unit equipped with twin-engine aircraft (presumably a training regiment of the III Bmr Corps). In addition to the air force units a Soviet Army unit is quartered in the field quarters. The presence of a radio station (presumably an Adcock DF station) in the southwest corner of the field was confirmed [REDACTED].

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