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1. A VP unit of company strength, which was reassigned from the Havelberg VP school to the "Ring um Berlin" on 28 March 1950, was motorized during the week of 7 to 14 May 1950. * The unit was issued 16 trucks, 4 passenger cars, 6 motorcycles and 2 motorcycles with sidecars. The motor vehicles [REDACTED] 5X1B

25X1B [REDACTED] The drivers of the vehicles had been detached from a motor transport unit in Wriezen.

2. The trucks were Dodges and came from Soviet Army stocks. They were allegedly duplicated in the U.S.S.R. They were designed as personnel carriers, having benches to seat one squad and facilities for equipment and ammunition. The passenger cars were Volkswagen and came from former German army stocks and stocks of requisitioned civilian cars. They were allotted by the Potsdam motor traffic control office. The motorcycles were recent models from the Eisenach BMW plant.

3. It was said that all VP units belonging to the "Ring um Berlin" were to be motorized. For this the Soviet Army has placed an adequate number of motor vehicles at the disposal of the Volkspolizei.

25X1A * [REDACTED] Comment. The Havelberg VP school has been reported twice by the same source but has not been confirmed. See [REDACTED] It was probably confused with 25X1A the VP school in Gloewen, north of Havelberg, which is confirmed.

25X1A ** [REDACTED] Comment. Apparently Soviet GAZ-63 trucks.

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