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1. The following German and Soviet border guard details were observed along the zonal border of Thuringia on 5 and 6 August 1950:

Marksuhl (L 51/H 75):	About 35 police
Frauensee (L 51/H 65):	About 40 police
Dorndorf and Vacha (L 51/H 64):	About 200 police
Vacha	50 Soviet soldiers
Abterode (L 52/H 59):	25 to 30 police, 30 Soviet soldiers
Berka/Terra:	50 police
Gerstungen:	100 police
Oechsen:	35 police, 50 Soviet soldiers
Warta:	50 police, 100 Soviet soldiers
Kreuzburg:	300 police
Ifta:	20 police
Mihla:	100 to 120 police

Most of the VP personnel and Soviet soldiers were young. *

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* [REDACTED] Comment. Previous information indicates that the Grenzpolizei in this border area belong to the Grenzbereitschaft Mihla with subordinate Kommandanturen in Trenshausen, Mihla and Kreuzburg and to the Grenzbereitschaft in Dornbach with Kommandanturen in Gerstungen and Vacha. See [REDACTED] Grenzkommandos are known to be located in the other towns mentioned in the report. The strength of the Grenzpolizei personnel in Kreuzburg appears too high.

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