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REPORT

TOPIC Dessau Airfield

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REMARKS

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1. [redacted] flying with jet fighters was conducted at the Dessau airfield during the night of 13 April 1951. The runway was lighted by three spotlights.

2. At 10:30 a. m. on 18 April 1951, 22 jet fighters, three single-engine low-wing monoplanes equipped with radial engines, two biplanes, and a single-engine high-wing monoplane were observed at the airfield. Four of the jet fighters, parked at the southern edge of the field, were covered with canvas. The jet fighters had white-bordered Soviet stars [redacted] Flying was not observed. Since the aircraft were parked very closely it is possible that more than the reported number of planes were at the field.

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3. From 1:45 to 2:15 p. m. on 21 April, 20 jet fighters, four of them ready for take-off, three single-engine planes, and four biplanes were seen at the Dessau airfield. [redacted] Flying was not observed. No aircraft dispersal areas were seen in the small wooded area west of the landing field. The construction work at the Schwarzer Weg was suspended and the cable previously seen there was removed. \*

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\* Comment. A fighter regiment equipped with MiG-15 aircraft is still believed to be stationed at the field. [redacted]

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