

COUNTRY Germany (Soviet Zone) REPORT NO. [REDACTED]

TOPIC Military Information from Ohrdruf.

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EVALUATION [REDACTED] PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED]

DATE OF CONTENT 1 to 14 May 1951

DATE OBTAINED [REDACTED] 25X1A DATE PREPARED 19 June 1951

REFERENCES [REDACTED] 25X1A

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REMARKS

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1. On 1 May 1951, source learned from German civilians, who accompanied the Soviet units to Altes Lager and Neues Lager in Ohrdruf (M 51/I 15), that the troops there came from Saalfeld, Gera, and Plauen. The trucks seen in the camp area [REDACTED] 25X1B

2. On 1 May, 20 to 30 camouflaged guns of about 100-mm were seen just northeast of Camp Ohrdruf; and 10 heavy AA guns resembling German 88-mm AA guns, with outrigger-type mounts stood north of the road from Ohrdruf to Bittstadt. Four limbered light AA guns on four-wheel mounts were seen farther north of the road, while 20 full-track prime movers, each with an AT gun of probably 100-mm were observed south of the Ohrdruf-Bittstadt road, on which a truck [REDACTED] was identified. Another group of 20 tractors towing heavy guns of an unidentified type was seen farther to the west. (2) 25X1B

3. Camp Aug is situated northwest of Crawinkel (M 51/I 14), at the fork formed by the Crawinkel-Ohrdruf and Crawinkel-Neelfis roads. The camp was occupied to capacity, probably by troops from Weimar and Jena, because German civilian employees of the units, who were quartered in Neelfis, came from the two cities. Source observed a large collection of motor vehicles and 40 canvas-covered tanks there. Trucks [REDACTED] were seen there on 2 May. (3) 25X1B

4. An undetermined number of rocket launchers and artillery pieces were observed at Camp Georgenthal.

5. Soviet ration supplies were stored in large caves in the rocks near the Felsenkeller Restaurant at the southeastern exit of Ohrdruf. [REDACTED] and other trucks [REDACTED] picked up rations there on 14 May. (4) 25X1B

25X1A [REDACTED] Comments.

(1) Other sources confirmed that components of the 39th Gds Mtz Rifle Div from Saalfeld and Plauen have been at Ohrdruf since mid-April 1951. The motor vehicles [REDACTED] belong to this 25X1B

25X1A division. [REDACTED]. It is believed that, in addition to components of the 20th Gds Mecz Div, headquarters units of the XXVIII Gds Mtz Rifle Corps from Gera are at Ohrdruf, since the motor vehicles [REDACTED] belong to the latter. 25X1B

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(2) [redacted] the trucks, the AT guns probably belong to the unidentified AT artillery unit of the XXVIII Gds Mtz Rifle Corps which is stationed in Gera and Merseburg.

(3) Other sources also confirmed that components of the 20th Gds Mecz Div from Jena and Weimar have been at Ohrdruf since mid-April 1951. The

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[redacted] belongs to this division and the [redacted] 25X1B  
to the 39th Gds Mtz Rifle Div. [redacted]

(4) The trucks belong to the 20th Gds Mecz Div.

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