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- On 7 June 1951, heavy traffic of motor vehicles and pedestrians, mostly high-ranking officers, orderlies and women in uniform and civilian clothes, was observed as usual at the restricted area on Roebelin Lake, Fuerstenberg (N 54/U 62). The large buildings in the restricted area still had red flags on their roofs. No changes were noticed regarding the arrangement of telephone lines. Officers observed walking to and from the restricted area included 2 lieutenant colonels with tank insignia, 2 lieutenant colonels wearing red-bordered black epaulets without branch-of-service insignia, 1 lieutenant colonel with artillery insignia, 1 infantry lieutenant colonel, 1 lieutenant colonel wearing black-bordered black epaulets, 8 to 10 majors wearing red-bordered black epaulets, 5 infantry majors, 1 lieutenant colonel with medical insignia, 3 majors with medical insignia, and 1 airforce captain. Motor

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- No change in the occupation of the restricted area on Baalensee-strasse in the center of Fuerstenberg was noticed prior to 7 June. Sentries there wore red-bordered black epaulets. Telephone lines from all military installations at the post converged at the restricted area. Motor vehicles observed there

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- The sound of work was heard from the tank repair shop on the factory premises on the southeastern perimeter of the city. [redacted] and a tank chassis stood in front of the workshop. The castle was still used as a hospital.
- The western section of the hutment near Ravensbrueck, which is between the railroad line and the road from Fuerstenberg to Iychen, still quartered about 200 troops with black-bordered black epaulets and red-bordered black epaulets on 7 June. The garages in the central section of the hutment were about 60 percent filled with trucks. The supply installation in the eastern section was guarded by sentries. No activity was noticed.
- On 7 June, trucks were being repaired in the repair shop opposite the western gate of the so-called outer concentration camp on the north shore of Schwedt Lake. The doors of the garage belonging to the repair shop were closed.

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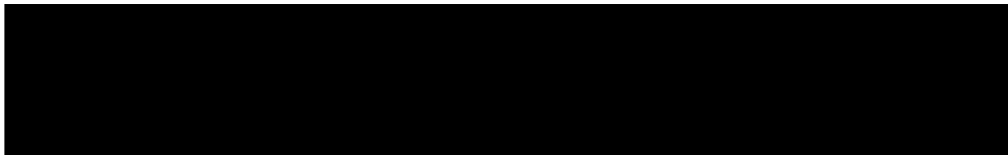
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The quarters on the north side of the west-east road billeted about 40 troops who wore red-bordered black epaulets and black-bordered black epaulets with signal insignia. The supply installation in the former sawmill in the western section of the outer concentration camp was guarded by a detail of six soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets. There was no vehicular traffic. No guards were noticed at the underground supply installation adjoining the former sawmill on the east. The long garage on the road to the southeast was filled with trucks. Sentries there wore red-bordered black epaulets. The officers' billets on the lake shore were occupied. Little traffic of officers and EM was observed as usual.

- 6. The traffic to the so-called inner concentration camp on the northeast shore of Schwedt Lake indicated that storage installations and workshops were located there. Movements to the camp area and inside it were very light. New truck tires were unloaded from four boxcars standing on the railroad spur. The tires were hauled toward Fuerstenberg on trucks, including [REDACTED] 25X1C
- About 40 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets were seen erecting wooden poles with cross beams and porcelain insulators, probably for a telephone or a lighting circuit, in the area north of the inner concentration camp. The line came from the direction of the hutment between the Fuerstenberg-Lychen road and railroad line and ran toward the south. The villa on top of the hill north of the point where the Fuerstenberg-Lychen road crosses the railroad line was vacant. A radar set was previously seen at the villa.

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