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OPIC Volkspolizei Dienststelle 2915 in Halle

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1. Prior to 26 April 1951, Volkspolizei Dienststelle (VPD) 2915 in Halle numbered about 2,000 police, about 200 of whom having been recruited from January to April 1951. It was organized into a headquarters; 3 infantry Kommandos with 5 Abteilungen each, including a mortar Sonderabteilung; 1 artillery Kommando; and 7 Sonderabteilungen, the 1st being a motorcycle unit, the 2d a signal unit, the 3d an engineer unit, the 4th a reconnaissance unit, the 5th a motor transport unit, the 6th an undetermined unit, and the 7th an armored unit.
2. The officers of the VPD included:
 - VP Kommandeur Heinz Kiep, commanding officer, an ex-officer.
 - VP Kommissar Juergen Werner, adjutant.
 - VP Kommandeur Mehle, (fnu), PK officer.
 - VP Oberkommissar Gippe, (fnu), SED secretary.
 - VP Kommandeur Schwarz, (fnu), chief of staff.
 - VP Kommissar Schulze, (fnu), adjutant to chief of staff.
 - VP Kommandeur Danschke, (fnu), director of training.
 - VP Kommandeur Larisch, (fnu), administrative officer.
 - VP Oberkommissar Bruemmer, (fnu), quartermaster officer.
 - VP Rat Lehnebach, (fnu), mess officer.
 - VP Rat Hendrich, (fnu), ordnance officer.
 - VP Kommissar Wickhold, (fnu), motor transport officer.
 - VP Kommissar Kreienbrink, PK officer of the motor transport Abteilung.
 - VP Oberkommissar Paul Noechel, liaison officer.

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VP Oberrat Kinne, (fnu), commanding officer of 1st Kommando.

VP Oberrat Milutin, (fnu), Soviet liaison officer supervising artillery training.

VP Kommandeur Parashov, (fnu), Soviet liaison officer supervising armored training.

Two unidentified Soviet liaison officers with the rank of VP Kommandeur.

3. The VPD was equipped with infantry weapons of all types, German and Soviet 80-mm and 120-mm mortars, Soviet guns of about 80-mm and 120-mm, 1 T-34 tank, 2 SP guns, one of US origin.
4. The vehicles of the VPD included 7 trucks, 1 delivery van, 1 ambulance, 13 passenger cars and 15 motorcycles.
5. The artillery and armored components of the VPD were scheduled to receive joint training with Soviet units in the near future. A new uniform, similar to that of the Soviet tank troops, was issued for this purpose. *

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- * **Comment.** A previous report stated that a VP summer camp was under construction in the Zeitz Forest west of Lenzig (K 51/K 07), where units of the VPDs in Cera, Weissenfels and Halle were probably to be trained. It is possible that Soviet instructors will be furnished by the 67th Gds Mecz Regt in Zeitz.

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