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1. During July 1951, the following Soviet naval vessels were observed:

a. The battleship Oktyabrskaya Revolyutsiya, in the roads at Kronstadt, recently painted and to all appearances in good condition.

b. The battleship Patropavlovsk, alongside the central pier in Kronstadt's commercial harbor, partially concealed by the SS Admiral Nakhimov. The fighting top (sic) and the forward stack had been removed, and the after stack and control tower were in place. The ship was newly painted and seemed to be floating trimly.

c. The cruiser Sverdlov was at anchor near the Leningrad lightship. The ship seemed to be completely equipped, and target practice with the main battery was in progress.

2. Two cruisers were observed in the Baltiski Zavod shipyard. Each had two large raked stacks with slanting tops. The ships were partially gray, and partially red-lead. Their superstructures were encased in scaffolding, and the details could not be made out. From a general impression, the ships are approaching completion.

3. A torpedo cruiser (sic) was seen in the south bay at Marti yard. It had a bridge resembling that of the destroyer Stockholm /Swedish/. The hull's declivity was unbroken. It seemed to be a newly built vessel.

4. A torpedo cruiser of the same type as above, with its hull red-lead, and almost fully completed, was at the southern quay of the Zhdanov yard. Alongside the eastern transverse quay were two large destroyers or torpedo cruisers, smaller than that at the southern quay and with their decklines broken by a tower as in the case of the Z-33's. They had two stacks raked aft, with slanting caps, and with a long distance between them. The guns seemed to be mounted in the same manner as on the Z-33. The ships were generally similar to the Z-33. They were painted gray and carried no flags.

5. The Komsomolets and a ship resembling the Ural were in the bay at Leningrad. A number of guard or patrol vessels, some similar to the former German "Schnellbooten" /E-boats/ were observed in the Gulf of Finland.

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