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1. On 27 October 1951, according to a laborer employed at the field, a train of 21 empty boxcars was shunted to the spur track of Brandis airfield. The train left on the same day. Later, the aircraft at the field and the crates which were previously stored on the northern edge had disappeared. The crates looked like small houses with tops similar to gabled roofs. Since the crates were very large it appeared improbable that they had been loaded on the cars. However, no other shipments were observed. The laborer also said that only the flying personnel had been transferred while the supply unit was still stationed at the field. He further stated that all the Soviets who had uniforms made at the village tailor suddenly picked them up. Another laborer at the field said that the field was still occupied by about 1,000 soldiers including some who had recently arrived. Since their arrival, the personnel at the field were allegedly restricted to quarters.

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All of the planes recently observed at the field had blue upper edges on their rudder assemblies. Yellow upper edges on the rudder assemblies were also observed for some time. Only a few biplanes were stationed at the field. Since the departure of the jet fighters, there was day and night flying by biplanes.

3. A small bunker about 1 meter above the ground and covered with a roof had been erected close to a hatch just north of the east end of the runway. A similar bunker was south of the east end of the runway. The boundary lighting facility was intact. During night landings, the runway was illuminated by lamps installed on trucks and by spotlights set up on the take-off and landings edges of the runway. The lights were switched off as soon as the planes touched the ground.

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4. A radio installation with four masts was south of the runway, about in line with the first western third of the runway. Another radio installation was allegedly on Schlossberg.

5. No jet plane was observed at the field on 1 November, but a large plane was parked there. The jet planes had allegedly been shipped away one week before. Only a few troops were observed at the field. \*

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\* [Redacted] Comment. Brandis airfield was previously occupied by a fighter regiment equipped with MiG-15s. According to the present report it appears that the regiment left the field in late October. No additional information has been [Redacted]. It is believed that the regiment together with its division headquarters and the two fighter regiments in Grossenhain were shipped by rail to the U.S.S.R. about 20 October 1951. [Redacted] The aircraft with blue and yellow upper edges on their rudder assemblies were assigned to the fighter division stationed in Grossenhain and Brandis.

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