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REMARKS

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1. Prior to 8 July 1951, the only military personnel stationed in Jimbolia (Y 7/T 52) were Rumanian border guard troops who wore army-style uniforms with green service color. One unit, about the size of a company, was quartered in the Olinger House; another unit had about 40 horses; and a small detail had 15 to 20 dogs. No motor vehicles were observed with the border guard troops whose mission was confined to border control. In additon to the border guard troops, a detachment of Securitate personnel wearing blue service color was stationed in Jimbolia.

2. The border area was subdivided into three zones, with the first zone extending from the Jimbolia-Comlosul Mare (Y 7/T 53) sector as far inland as the Carpinis (R 16/T 72) - Lovrin (Y 7/T 64) line; and the second zone extending from example, from Carpinis as far as the area west of Timisoara (R 16/T 91). It was said that Arad (R 16/U 16) was in the third zone. The borderline was blocked by a barbed-wire fence which was parallel to a strip of land cleared of vegetation and harrowed by local farmers at regular intervals. Observation towers were along the Rumanian side of the border. No field fortifications and concrete bunkers [redacted] On Yugoslav territory, the border was blocked by ditches in the area of Klarija (Y 7/T 61). 25X1

3. Up to the summer of 1950, Soviet soldiers were still observed in the first border zone, particularly at Carpinis and Lovrin, but none were noticed in Carpinis in 1951. However, Soviet officers occasionally came to the border area. [redacted] the nearest Soviet troop units were tenting in the area west of Timisoara between Macalaz (R 17/T 81) and the Mehala borough of Timisoara. [redacted] 25X1 25X1

25X1 * [redacted] Comment. The information confirms a report of June 1951 [redacted] 25X1
25X1 [redacted] a large Soviet tent camp between Timisoara and Mehala.

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