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TOPIC Staaken Airfield

EVALUATION see below PLACE OBTAINED 25X1C

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1. Between 11 and 17 December 1951, there was no flying at Staaken airfield. The boundary lights were on.
2. Between 2:15 and 5 p.m. on 28 December, 2 twin-engine high-wing monoplanes and 1 twin-engine, low-wing monoplane with a single rudder assembly were counted at the field. The hangars were closed. The radio installations were unchanged. No Soviet soldiers were observed at the field.

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3. About 10 a.m. on 4 January, a twin-engine, high-wing monoplane with two radial engines and single rudder assembly took off heading north. Two men were observed in the plexiglass nose. A white circle was painted on the rudder assembly. Two additional twin-engine planes were parked at the field.
4. Between 16 and 21 December, there was no flying at the field. Every day after 8 p.m., three multi-engine planes were heard coming in to land at intervals of 5 minutes. The searchlights at the field, one of which rotated continually while the other one occasionally beamed its lights on to the landing strip, were in operation only during the landings. The tank installation on the northern edge of the field was fenced in and guarded. Between 2 and 5 January, the field was still occupied by an air unit. *

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25X1A * Comment. Staaken airfield is still occupied by a transport squadron. The exact strength has not been determined but appears to consist of about 5 LI-2s and some Yak-11s and PO-2s. The twin-engine high-wing monoplane which took off on 4 January is probably a TU-2 which possibly made an intermediate landing at the field since it was not observed previously with the unit.

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