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TOPIC Soviet Troops in the Prinz-Louis-Ferdinand Kaserne at Saalfeld 25X1

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REMARKS



25X1 1. On 12 January 1952, the Prinz-Louis-Ferdinand Kaserne on Meulwitzer Strasse, Saalfeld (N 51/J 53), quartered about 100 troops who wore red-bordered black and black-bordered red epaulets. Training activity observed in the billeting area between 1 and 12 January was substantially more intensive than during the past weeks. Two units of about 50 men each with rifles were seen marching out of the installation toward Bad Blankenburg on 2 January, while about 60 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets received close-order drill with and without rifles in the barracks yard. About 30 soldiers were seen performing maintenance work on trucks. About 250 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets and black-bordered red epaulets were engaged in rifle drill in the barracks yard on 7 January. About the same number of troops engaged in training were observed on 12 January. Numerous soldiers were seen around 6 trucks and 1 sedan parked near the garages, and 12 officers were seen passing through the barracks gate in rapid succession. 25X1

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25X1 * [] Comment. The identity of the units in the Prinz-Louis-Ferdinand Kaserne has not been determined. []

25X1 [] The 39th Gds Mtz Rifle Div is believed to have been largely withdrawn from its previous post in Saalfeld and Rudolstadt and is now believed stationed in Ohrdruf. []

25X1 [] the Hq XXVIII Gds Mtz Rifle Corps and []

25X1 [] the corps's unidentified rocket launcher regiment []

25X1 [] may have been transferred from its previous quarters in the Russ Kaserne, Gera, to the Prinz-Louis-Ferdinand Kaserne, Saalfeld. It is now tentatively carried in Saalfeld. However, no rocket launchers have been reported in connection with this barracks installation to date. []

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