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1. [redacted] Between 22 December 1951 and 15 January 1952, one building of the Panzer Kaserne, Neubrandenburg (N 54/0 66), quartered an engineer unit; a second building, the officers and men of a tank training unit; a third building, the recruits of the tank unit and a radio station; and a fourth building, the trained personnel of a tank unit. A fifth building contained the apartment of Colonel Sokolovski (fnu), commanding officer of the tank unit. [redacted] The building also housed offices and billets of the headquarters personnel of the tank unit, a club and a motion picture theater. The building quartering the engineer unit was separated from the billeting area of the tank unit by a board fence. The engineer troops prepared their own meals. [redacted] following the return of the tank troops from the 1951 fall maneuvers, 600 liters of soup were prepared twice a day for the tank troops, each soldier receiving 0.5 liters of soup twice daily.

2. On 22 December 1951, 65 recruits arrived in that section of the billeting area of the tank unit which contained the quarters of the tank training battalion. From 60 to 65 trucks on blocks were seen in the garages of the installation up to 15 January.

3. Prior to 15 January, the duty schedule of the tank unit listed reveille at 6 a.m., callisthenics from 6 to 6:15 a.m.; policing of quarters and breakfast from 6:15 to 8 a.m.; drill, field training and instruction from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. dinner and supper recesses from 3 to 4 and from 8 to 9 p.m. respectively and theoretical instruction from 9 to 10:30 p.m. This was followed by singing and marching around the barracks yard.

4. [redacted] Major Merzikov (fnu), supply officer in the Panzer Kaserne, left for reassignment and was succeeded by a lieutenant colonel. *

Comment. The information confirms the Panzer Kaserne as quartering components of the 113th Indep Pon Bridge Bn of the Second Gds Mecz Army and components of the unidentified Gds Hw Tank SP regiment of the 9th Gds Tank Div. The hitherto unidentified Colonel Sokolovski (fnu) will be tentatively carried as commanding officer of the latter regiment. [redacted]

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