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TOPIC Crude Oil Shipments from Zistersdorf, Austria

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REMARKS

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- The following information on crude oil shipments from Zistersdorf, Austria, to the Soviet Zone of Germany was [Redacted] of the Central Railroad Tank Car Distribution Point. (1)
 - Total deliveries received prior to 31 December 1951 amounted to 79,613 tons, including: 3,224 tons dispatched to Boehlen; 24,566 tons to Espenhain; and 51,823 tons to Leuna.
 - After 1 January 1952, crude oil was delivered exclusively to Leuna because storage facilities of the Boehlen and Espenhain hydrogenation plants were filled to capacity. (2) During the period from 1 through 21 January, 13,000 tons of crude oil were shipped to the Leuna Works, and 645 and 2,592 tons were dispatched there on 22 and 23 January respectively. A total of 95,850 tons of crude oil have been delivered to the Soviet Zone of Germany since September 1951. (3)
 - On 24 and 25 January, 37 and 34 railroad tank carloads of crude oil respectively were shipped to Leuna via Bad Brambach. (4)
- Trains of railroad tank cars with crude oil passing through the Gera railroad station en route from Hohenau (5) Lower Austria, and bound for Grosskorbetha included:

| Date | No of Axles |
|-------------|-------------|
| 23 December | 76 |
| 24 December | 86 |
| 25 December | 72 |
| 26 December | 86 |
| 1 January | 68 |
| | 70 |
| 2 January | 105 |
| 4 January | 52 |
| 5 January | 90 |
| 6 January | 85 |
| 7 January | 60 |
| 8 January | 76 |

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A corresponding number of trains of empty railroad tank cars passed through Gera in the opposite direction during the reported period.

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- 25X1 [redacted] Comments.
- (1) For functions of the Central Railroad Tank Car Distribution Point, [redacted] 25X1
- (2) The distillation plant in Pirna/Lockethal also received minor crude oil shipments.
- 25X1 (3) [redacted] a total of 20,000 tank cars with crude oil were 25X1
scheduled to be sent to the Soviet Zone of Germany. [redacted]
- 25X1 [redacted] the delivery of 140,000 tons of crude oil was
arranged for in a trade agreement concluded between the U.S.S.R. and the Soviet
Zone of Germany. On 25 September 1951, it was arranged in direct negotiations
with the Soviet Naphta Administration in Austria that an additional 120,000 tons
of crude oil were to be shipped within three months. Representatives of the Leuna
Works were sent to Austria and to the Bad Schandau border crossing point in order
to direct the flow of crude oil shipments. After about 20 November 1951, an
increased number of railroad tank cars loaded with crude oil began to pass
through Bad Schandau. Until 10 January, the daily average of loaded tank cars
passing through that railroad station was 73 to 80 units, while a flow of 54
to 57 loaded cars was reported for the period from 11 to 26 January. [redacted] 25X1
- 25X1 (4) [redacted]
The crude oil shipments were generally directed via Bad Schandau. Since early
December 1951, some of these shipments have also been directed through Bad
Brambach in order to ease the traffic strain on the Bad Schandau border crossing
point.
- (5) It is believed that these shipments actually came from Zistersdorf, for Hohenau,
which is located on the Vienna-Lundenburg-Bruenn trunk line, is about 10 km
northeast of Zistersdorf. It is unknown whether these trains had been directed
via Bad Schandau or Bad Brambach. Therefore it cannot be determined whether these
shipments were reported [redacted] 25X1
- 25X1 [redacted]

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