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TOPIC Strausberg Air Force Depot

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REMARKS

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1. The previously reported test stand for jet engines in the Strausberg (W 53/V 15) air force depot was in operation at irregular intervals. The jet engines ran for 10 to 15 minutes. At top speed, there was a high-pitched sound which turned to a low-pitched sound and ultimately into a bubbling sound when the engine was throttled. *

2. On 13 December 1951, jeeps [Redacted] moved into the depot.

3. [Redacted] On 16 December, six flatcars each carrying a caterpillar tractor and a trailer with hoisting gear were being unloaded. The projecting arms of the cranes which were about 8 meters long [Redacted]. Trucks [Redacted] moved into the depot.

4. On 30 December, several railroad cars arrived at the Strausberg-Stadt railroad station and were then shunted to the air force depot. Three trucks, ten sedans, personnel carriers with benches and back rests and a small pneumatic-tired trailer similar to a mobile generator, were being unloaded for the depot. The motor vehicles which were new and [Redacted] moved into the depot. Between 21 December and 4 January 1952, the following motor vehicles were observed: truck [Redacted] came from the direction of Werneuchen and moved toward the field; sedans [Redacted] occupied by air force soldiers, were observed in the town; and truck [Redacted] loaded with coal, moved to the field on 4 January. *

* [Redacted] Comment. The report confirms the presence of a jet engine test stand in Strausberg air force depot. [Redacted] Besides the possibility mentioned in reference report it may be that the reported test stand belongs to a recently activated jet engine repair shop.

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