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Flying by biplanes was observed at Koethen airfield between 8 and 10 p.m. on 11 February 1952 and about 7 p.m. on 13 February. Between noon and 4 p.m. on 14 February, there was intensive air activity by swept-back jet fighters. At 2:20 p.m. on 16 February, 12 swept-back jet fighters were in front of Hangar 1. The planes were arranged in a group of seven, including [Redacted] and a group of five, [Redacted] were observed. Four other swept-back jet fighters were parked in front of Hangars 2 and 3. At 2:40 p.m., 16 swept-back jet fighters were in front of Hangar 1. There was no flying in slightly hazy weather. About 20 young air force soldiers commanded by a senior lieutenant visited stores in Koethen. [Redacted]

[Redacted] Comment. The report confirms that Koethen airfield is occupied by jet fighters. According to previous information, the field is occupied by a recently activated fighter regiment and an unidentified unit which also appears to be equipped with MiG-15s. A total of 50 aircraft crates arrived from the U.S.S.R. for the latter unit on 19 January and 1 and 3 February. [Redacted]

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