

COUNTRY Germany (Soviet Zone) REPORT NO. [redacted]

TOPIC Military Information from Potsdam, Wuenstorf and Jueterbog

EVALUATION see below [redacted]

DATE OF CONTENT 21 to 31 May 1952

[redacted] DATE PREPARED 16 June 1952 25X1

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REMARKS An extract of this information was previously

reported [redacted]

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1. Numerous personnel wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia and tank insignia, an undetermined amount of billeting equipment which was picked up by trucks [redacted] 25X1

[redacted] and 4 T-34/85 tanks which later entered the Kriegsschule at the corner of Pappel Allee and Kirsch Allee were unloaded at the Potsdam (N 53/Z 63) railroad station during the period from 29 to 31 May 1952. The shipment was for the Kriegsschule. (1) 25X1

2. During the period from 29 to 31 May 1952, billeting equipment and signal equipment which trucks [redacted] shipped to the station from the Ruinenberg Kaserne south of Pappel Allee and 10 jeeps and 12 sedans [redacted] were loaded at the Wildpark railroad station, near Potsdam. (?) 25X1

3. Billeting equipment from the first and second building of the Adolf Hitler Kaserne, north of Pappel Allee, was loaded at the Wildpark railroad station on 31 May. It had been shipped to the station by trucks [redacted] (3) 25X1

4. A large number of trucks [redacted] and about as many trailers, with numerous soldiers standing nearby who wore red-bordered black epaulets with motor transport insignia were seen at the Wildpark West barracks installation east of the Grosser Entenfaengersee on 31 May. (4) 25X1

5. On 29 May, the Garde du Corps Kaserne on Stalin Allee was reoccupied. [redacted] 25X1

6. [redacted] 25X1

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billeting equipment, horses and hay as well as about 80 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia, 48 officer candidates and an undetermined number of uniformed women were unloaded at the Potsdam railroad station from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. on 30 May. (1)

7. A total of 9 trucks and 1 jeep [redacted] and about 40 troops wearing black-bordered black epaulets with signal insignia were entrained at the Wildpark railroad station from 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on 30 May. (2)

8. A transfer of numerous units previously stationed in Wuensdorf-Zossen (N 53/Z 91) was observed beginning 25 May. A total of 22 BA-64 armored scout cars were entrained at the Wuensdorf railroad station on 27 May. A total of 28 T-34/85 tanks and about 20 x 57-mm AT guns were loaded on 28 May. An undetermined number of trucks, as well as billeting equipment, were loaded daily during the period from 27 to 31 May. Units which source believed came from Potsdam tented between Camp Zossen and Wuensdorf. The AA emplacement near the Wildpark railroad station was manned as previously. (6) Source expressed the belief that the tank repair shop in the Panzertruppen Schule and the officer candidates in the Hindenburg Kaserne would remain at the post. (C-3) (7)

9. During the period from 21 to 26 May, [redacted] the units stationed in the Panzertruppen Schule and the Lutz Kaserne in Wuensdorf on Highway 96 were transferred, allegedly to Kloster Zinna, north of Jueterbog (N 52/E 69).

The Soviet depot which employed about 60 German workers was also deactivated.

10. On 24 May 1952, [redacted] 14 workers of an establishment which worked for the occupation forces in Wuensdorf received notice on 24 May that the employing unit would move to the former Adolf Hitler Camp in Forst Zinna, near Jueterbog, during the following week. (6)

11. An advance detail of personnel wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia arrived at the Neuss Lager, south of the Jueterbog-Treuenbrietzen road on 23 May 1952. All German workers were directed to leave the camp about noon. Source believed that the camp which had been vacant would be occupied soon. (8)

Comments.

(1) It can be assumed that elements of the officers' instruction course of the GOFG were unloaded; their transfer from Wuensdorf to the Kriegsschule in Potsdam was previously reported [redacted]

[redacted]. The T-34 tanks seen probably are instruction tanks. The motor vehicles mentioned belong to the GOFG Rear Services.

(2) On 22 May 1952, [redacted] a signal unit of the GOFG stationed in the Ruinenberg Kaserne was entrained. See [redacted] The information contained in the present report indicates that the signal units of the GOFG continued to be shipped away until 31 May, most probably to Wuensdorf-Zossen.

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- (3) The present report confirms that offices of the Chief of the Rear Services of the GDFG left the Adolf Hitler Kaserne, probably for Wuensdorf. [redacted] The motor vehicles observed belong to these offices.
- (4) The motor vehicles observed indicate that the Wildpark West Kaserne was occupied by units of the 56th Motor Trans Regt of the GDFG. [redacted] Further information is needed to determine whether the regiment will stay there only as long as the reshuffling of units in the Potsdam-Wuensdorf-Jueterbog area is underway or whether it will be permanently stationed there.
- (5) [redacted] the Garde du Corps Kaserne was completely vacated on 28 May and would be reoccupied by Volkspolizei. [redacted] The information contained in the present report indicates that trucks of the GDFG were observed with the reoccupying troops.
- (6) The present report confirms the transfer to the area of Jueterbog of Hq units of the Third Gds Mecz Army previously stationed in Wuensdorf. The Adolf Hitler Camp mentioned in paragraph 10 of the present report is located about 3 km north of Kloster Zinna. Information [redacted] in October 1951 indicated that it previously housed the Deutsche Verwaltungsakademie Walter Ulbricht.
- (7) No information is available to date to indicate a transfer of the tank repair shop. The officers' school of the GDFG is moving from the Hinlenburg Kaserne to Potsdam-Bornstedt. [redacted]
- (8) [redacted] the Hq of the Third Guards Mecz Army moved to the Neues Lager during the period from 24 to 29 May 1952. [redacted].

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