

COUNTRY Hungary REPORT

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25X1 Soviet Troops near Miskole.

1. On two days in about mid-July 1951, Soviet troops with trucks, artillery pieces and armored vehicles were unloaded at the Gomoer Railroad station in Miskole (R-49/J C7). No details could be obtained. The railroad station was cordoned off by AVH members during the unloading process. During the week following the arrival of the Soviet troops, Soviet military goods packed in boxes and six-cornered containers about 30 cm high, were unloaded at the railroad station. Prior to the middle of September 1951 an additional 2 to 3 railroad cars with military goods were unloaded weekly. These unloadings were also supervised by AVH members.

25X1 [] the Soviet troops and equipment were shipped to Pinyomvoelgy, about 10 km southwest of Miskole. (1)

Hungarian Troops.

2. Prior to November 1951, the Rudolf Barracks at Esolcai Gate in Miskole was occupied by Hungarian troops. Four or five T-34 tanks were repeatedly seen leaving the installation in August and September 1951. During the same period, 8 to 10 artillery pieces, 2 sedans, and 4 trucks left the installation for practices. The guns were drawn by American 3-axle trucks, had four solid tires, cylindrical muzzle brakes and were longer than the trucks. (2)

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- 25X1 3. Prior to September 1951, an infantry unit was quartered in a
 25X1 barracks installation on Andrássy Street, Dékésosaba (R 16/0 91).
 25X1 This information was learned [redacted]
 25X1 [redacted] The replacement unit [redacted]
 25X1 [redacted] was housed in the former Border Guard
 Barracks at the intersection of Andrássy Street and Gyula Street
 prior to the summer of 1951. (3)
- 25X1 4. Prior to August 1951, an undetermined number of low temporary
 25X1 buildings was located in a woods west of Nagykata (Q 40/0 00),
 25X1 south of the Budapest-Szolnok (Q 40/0 37) railroad line. [redacted]
 [redacted] an artillery unit was
 quartered in these buildings. (4)
- [redacted] 5. Prior to November 1951, a unit of soldiers wearing green service
 color was stationed in the former Horthy Miklós Barracks in
 Hodmezoe-Vasárhely (Y 7/T 39). The installation was situated
 in the southern sector of the town, south of the Hodmezoe-
 Vasárhely-Nepkert railroad stop on the south side of the road
 to Szeged (Y 7/T 17). The strength of the unit which had been
 engaged in summer exercises in the area of Mistelek (Y 7/0 00)
 from late May to mid-August was estimated at 500 troops. It was
 repeatedly observed that troops leaving for training were equipped
 with 50-mm, 32-mm and four 120-mm mortars and 6 to 8 x 45-mm AT
 guns. Four or five weapon carriers were also seen with the unit,
 which received recruits in late September 1951. (5)
6. In October 1951, an artillery unit organized into 3 or 9 groups
 of 40 men each, moved into the new barracks installation east of
 the former Horthy Miklós Barracks in Hodmezoe-Vasárhely. The
 installation was built in the spring of 1951. The artillery
 troops wore red service color. No artillery pieces were noticed
 with them. (6)

[redacted] Comments.

- 25X1 (1) [redacted] intensive training activity of troops,
 25X1 allegedly Soviet troops, in the hills west of Miskolc. This is
 an indication that Soviet troops are stationed in that area.
- 25X1 (2) The information on the occupation of the Rudolf Barracks partly
 corresponds to previous reports. [redacted]
 According to the description, the guns may be heavy AT guns.
- 25X1 (3) According to previous reports, the second battalion of the infantry
 regiment in Szentes is stationed in Dékésosaba.
- (4) The installation most probably is a summer camp for artillery troops
 rather than a permanent post.
- (5) According to previous information, the installation houses the
 third battalion of the infantry regiment in Szentes. The composition
 of the weapons observed is also indicative of an infantry battalion.
 Elements of the infantry division in Miskunhalas to which the
 battalion in Hodmezoe-Vasárhely belongs were near Mistelek in the
 summer of 1951.
- 25X1 (6) The new barracks installation was mentioned in a previous report.
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