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Return of specialists from the USSR.

1. Most of the former Zeiss specialists who, as already reported, returned from the USSR during the months of January and February 1952, have already been reinstated in the plant. They have not yet, however, been given permanent positions, as the re-shuffle of personnel which this will necessitate has not yet been fully worked out.

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2. An additional group of scientists and specialists from Leningrad and Krasnogorsk is expected to arrive on about 6 or 7 June 1952.

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3. [redacted] ten specialists were still left there, whose sole duties were the supervision of factory production. [redacted] the former Zeiss scientists and technicians who were sent to the USSR originally were assigned to assist in the erection of factories with machines and equipment which were, at the time, being dismantled and removed from Zeiss. Priority was given to factories for the production of astronomical equipment. The technicians were housed the entire time in camps and received an average salary of 1,500 to 2,000 rubles monthly. The work was supervised by Russian military engineer officers and the workers were all civilians; about 75% were women. A forty-eight hour week was worked. The construction of the factories is now complete and the technicians are being returned to East Germany, except in a few cases where they are being kept on until initial production difficulties are overcome.

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Orders for Seepolizei and Volkspolizei.

4. With regard to the order, previously reported, for range finders to be delivered to the Seepolizei in Gdynia and Volkspolizei in Liegnitz, it has now been possible to obtain a glimpse of the relevant entry in the order book in the section for assembly of large equipment in the main planning department (Planungshauptabteilung, Sachgebiet: GGM - Gross Gerate-Montage), the head of which is named Sessler.² Apart from confirming the quantities and type of equipment, the entry shows the order to have been received from the Ministry of the Interior under Order No. M.d.I. 131 72/22/52, and in the "Place of delivery" column gives "SP Gdingen" and "VP Liegnitz" for the respective orders.

Anti-mine equipment.

5. [redacted] anti-mine equipment is to be developed by Zeiss. The equipment concerned is for the neutralizing of electric mines (Elektro-Minen) and is of a type produced jointly by Zeiss and Askania-Werke, Teltow, during the war. Zeiss made the mechanical precision parts and Askania the electrical components. The apparatus consists of a transmitter which sends out short-wave impulses at fixed intervals, and a three-pole cable (dreipolige Leitung) around the ship's hull below the water line. The equipment used during the war was mostly fitted onto smaller craft such as E-boats and minesweepers.

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Air gunnery trainer (A2 Gerat).

6. [redacted] a special version of the air gunnery trainer is to be built as a blind flying trainer. It is basically similar to the existing trainer as already reported, but lacks the projectors and motion picture screen and has special panel instruments with double indicators. One set of indicators can be set by the instructor to conform with conditions of flight which he requires the pupil to simulate; the second set responds to the controls, the correct manipulation of which by the pupil causes both sets of indicators to coincide.

Rebuilding of the south works.

7. The target date of 15 May 1952 for completion of the rebuilding of the south works was met as far as the building itself was concerned, but it was not found possible to complete the installation of special machinery to enable production to recommence by that date, as had been desired. The more important items still to be installed are:
- the electric motors for the long-spindle lathes, to be delivered by EKM Hallesche Pumpenwerke, Halle.
 - the electric components for the light-reflex testing apparatus for testing and adjusting periscopes and long-base range finders; these components to be delivered by Askania.
 - the assembly mechanism (Zug- und Fuehrungseinrichtung) for the periscope tunnel, to be delivered by Bleichert, of Leipzig.

Range finders.

8. Because of the delay in completing the light-reflex testing apparatus, it is doubtful whether a current order for long-base range finders can be completed by the target date.

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Periscopes.

9. It is planned that the periscope heads shall be completely assembled in the subsidiary Zeiss works at Weimar and then sent to Jena, where the periscope shafts will be built and final assembly carried out. The work in Weimar will commence when the periscope tunnel in Jena is ready and the complete periscopes can be assembled.

Searchlights.

10. With regard to the searchlights on which, as already reported, work has commenced in Zeiss, it is now provisionally planned that final assembly will be carried out by Signalbau Halle ³ and that Zeiss will produce only the concave mirrors and the blinker device (Streifenklappenscheiben fuer Tag -und Nachtlande).

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2. [redacted] Comment: [redacted] Sessler is not the head of the main planning department but a chief expert (Hauptsachbearbeiter) in the department.

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3. [redacted] Comment: [redacted] checked on Troeger's position and reported that he is not head but is also chief expert (Hauptsachbearbeiter) in the department.

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4. [redacted] Comment: VVB RFT Signalbau Halle.

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