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25X1 1. After 10 August 1952, the Infanterie Kaserne in Jena-Zwaetzen (N 51/J 76) was vacant. No lighted windows were observed at dusk. [redacted] The installation had allegedly been vacated for the Volkspolizei.

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2. On 16 August, the Artillery Kaserne was still occupied by a rear detail. The strength of the detail was that of one company. Soldiers wore red-bordered black epaulets with tank insignia. On 12 August, truck [redacted] occupied by 6 Volkspolizei members and 8 to 10 soldiers entered the billeting area. From 4 to 5 p.m. on 12 August, 30 to 40 soldiers practiced with the JS tanks. An SP gun, was in front of a garage. At 5:30 p.m. on 15 August, 5 canvas-covered SP guns and 1 rocket launcher were in the barracks yard. Trucks [redacted] were in the yard.

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3. Prior to 16 August, the Forst Kaserne was occupied only by a small rear detail. *

[redacted] Comment. The majority of the 20th Gds Mecz Div stationed in Jena is carried at the Ohrdruf troop training grounds. This is the first information on the possible transfer of a barracks installation in Zwaetzen to the Volkspolizei. The Artillerie Kaserne in Loebstaedt appears to still quarter the tank training battalion. A large rear unit with tanks has been reported there since May 1952. [redacted]

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