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TOPIC Military Information from Jueterbog and the Terder-Markendorf Troop Training

Grounds

EVALUATION

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1. During the period from 8 to 14 August 1952, all barracks were occupied, and all kitchens in operation, at the Terder-Markendorf troop training grounds east of Jueterbog (N 52/E 69). However, only a few soldiers were seen in the quarters during the day. Some soldiers stated that they would return to Wittenberg (N 52/E 37) in October 1952. Source learned from German laborers that Lieutenant Colonel Molochen (fnu) was supply officer of Sections 1 and 2, and Major Dantsov (fnu) was supply officer of Section 15. On 8 August, six groups each consisting of 1 officer and 12 men wearing red-bordered black epaulets including a few with tank insignia received instruction outdoors in Section 12. Lieutenant Colonel Zeevay (fnu) was supply officer in this section. On 12 August, 38 T-34/85 tanks covered with tarpaulins were in the parking lot of Section 13. Tanks [redacted] were being worked on. From 50 to 60 trucks and 3 x 57-mm AT guns were in sheds. Lieutenant Colonel Krazilnikov (fnu) was supply officer in that section. On 13 August, trucks [redacted] left Section 13. Individual soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets with tank insignia were seen near the quarters in Section 14, and supply officer Lieutenant Colonel Shmiedloff (fnu) was identified there. Twelve trucks, 5 armored scout cars, 9 armored personnel carriers and 15 JS tanks were in the parking lot with other vehicles. On 14 August, only a few officers and 21 wearing red-bordered black epaulets were seen in Section 4. Type T-34/85 tank [redacted] proceeded toward Kloster Zinna. Truck [redacted] near the barracks. Truck [redacted] left Section 15. (1)

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4. During the period from 3 to 14 August, the following shipments were determined on the Jueterbog-Kloster Zinna line:

At noon on 3 August. A train consisting of eight boxcars with troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia, 14 trucks, [redacted], 6 rocket launchers, 6 x 57-mm AT guns, 1 field kitchen. The train pulled out at 12:30 p.m. and proceeded toward Wittenberg.

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At 5:30 p.m. on 4 August.

The regular freight train heading toward Zossen (N 53/2 91) carried 8 ambulances, 2 command cars and 1 T-34/85 tank. All cars were unnumbered.

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At 3 p.m. on 5 August.

A train without locomotive was at the ramp of the 4^{orst} Zinna railroad station. It was loaded with 34 trucks [redacted]

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[redacted] 6 x 57-mm AT guns of model 41; 8 x 57-mm AT guns of model 43, 12 x 120-mm mortars, and 14 boxcars carrying troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia.

At 5:30 a.m. on 6 August.

A train headed toward Jueterbog stopped on the Bruena-Jueterbog railroad line with the following material: 46 trucks [redacted]

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[redacted] 16 x 57-mm AT guns of model 41; 16 x 57-mm AT guns of model 43; 16 x 120-mm mortars; and 18 boxcars with troops.

At 5:30 p.m. on 9 August.

A train at the Jueterbog freight station, headed toward Wittenberg, carried 14 trucks [redacted] 6 x 57-mm AT guns of model 41; 3 rocket launchers and 6 boxcars with troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia.

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At 7:10 p.m. on 11 August.

Eight JS-3 tanks [redacted] and 1 JSU-122 gun were on a train at the Jueterbog railroad station.

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From 3 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. on 14 August.

At the 4^{orst} Zinna railroad station, the following equipment was unloaded: 16 trucks, [redacted]

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[redacted] 6 model 41 57-mm AT guns. Troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia were unloaded from 10 boxcars. Source stated that some trucks had already been unloaded before he made his observations.

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5. Prior to 18 July, source learned from a craftsman employed in Camp Warden-Markendorf that the camp quartered 8,000 to 10,000 troops who belonged to a tank unit from Wittenberg. The informant identified the following officers by last name and rank: Colonel Malishki, Lieutenant Colonel Shmedlov, Lieutenant Colonel Patushin, Major Bamtsov, Major Krainikov, Senior Lieutenant Richkov

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and Senior Lieutenant Masov. The division commander, a colonel, was billeted in the Heidehof Estate and drove sedan [redacted]. The camp also quartered tank units from Jueterbog-Altas Lager which included Major Moldeshenko (fnu). Colonel Nosel (fnu) wearing tank insignia and riding sedan [redacted] was camp commandant in administrative matters. (1)

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5. Between 28 and 30 July, the quarters of the "Lienkerhorst Dam" south of Jueterbog was about 50 percent occupied. [redacted]

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[redacted] the paint shop and the carpentry shop were operating on a 24-hour schedule. On 28 July, 20 gondola cars with 20 [redacted] trucks were on the spur track. On 29 July, five unnumbered trucks escorted by a senior lieutenant with artillery insignia, arrived in the barracks installation. Forty soldiers practiced with 6 x 76.2-mm 2IG-3 field guns; 10 men received instruction with a 37-mm AA gun; and 30 men practiced firing with 3 heavy AA machine guns. Five hundred meters south of the barracks installation was a tent with 2 radio masts, about 8 meters high, and 2 soldiers.

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7. During the period from 21 to 24 July, source learned in the Fuchsberg Kaserne east of the railroad line that a clothing depot and ration supply depot guarded by sentries with red-bordered black epaulets and tank insignia were in the former laundry area. Eight tank trucks and tank trailers were in a wooden shed opposite the old veterinary hospital. During the period of observation, the troops in the billeting area engaged in athletics in groups of 30 to 40 men, and in drilling without arms in groups of 40 men. The latter wore red-bordered black epaulets. Other troops were seen marching out in groups up to 20 men. They wore red-bordered black epaulets and carried rifles, submachine guns, light machine guns and practice targets. Two T-34 tanks were repeatedly seen moving out of the billeting area toward the slaughterhouse. On 23 July, 40 to 50 trucks were closely lined up in the barracks yard. [redacted]

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8. On 11 August, five trucks, each towing a 37-mm AA gun [redacted] entered the Altas Lager ammunition depot 3 km northwest of Jueterbog. Source noticed that, as soon as the trucks had entered the camp, they individually went in a different direction. Rocket launcher [redacted]

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9. On 14 and 15 August, source learned in the Fuchsberg Kaserne east of the railroad line that two buildings of the barracks installation each quartered three units of about 120 soldiers each who wore red-bordered black epaulets, most of them with tank insignia. A third building was partly occupied by a motorcycle unit. At about 6 p.m. on 13 August, 25 T-34/05 tanks, [redacted]

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[redacted] drove to the Fuchsberg Kaserne from the direction of the Wender-Markendorf troop training grounds. Trucks observed in the western section of the billeting area [redacted]

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10. On 21 July, source learned that Lieutenant Colonel Pushkov (fnu) who wore silver epaulets with artillery insignia was in charge of the construction of bunker doors at the Jueterbog troop training grounds and rode in jeep [redacted]. On 22 July, source learned that Lieutenant Colonel Yarovenko (fnu), who rode jeep [redacted] was in charge of the construction work in the Jueterbog ammunition depot near Tiefenbrunn. (1)

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11. During the period from 4 to 15 August, a tent camp with up to 50 trucks was observed about 3 km west-southwest of the Luckenwalde railroad station on the eastern perimeter of the Jueterbog troop training grounds. Source noticed that the number of weapons and trucks continually changed. The following details were observed:

4 August. About 80 trucks, including ambulance [redacted] 30 x 76.2-mm ZIS-3 guns, 12 x 122-mm field howitzers, and 8 model 13 rocket launchers.

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5 August. About 60 trucks, 20 x 76.2-mm field guns.

6 August. The camp was moved about 500 meters to the northwest. Observed were only 20 x 76.2-mm field guns, 5 rocket launchers and 60 trucks [redacted].

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11 August. 20 trucks and 2 model 13 rocket launchers.

12 August. 55 trucks and 10 heavy mortars.

13 August. 50 trucks, 12 heavy mortars of about 120-mm, radio truck [redacted] and a tent with 8 men wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia.

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15 August. 30 trucks and 12 heavy mortars. (4)

12. On 6 August, an AA gun emplacement with six 25-mm AA guns and seven 4-man tents were observed about 600 meters southwest of the Forst Linna railroad station. Quarters were observed southeast of the same railroad station. The gate just opposite the railroad station was guarded by a sentry who wore red-bordered black epaulets. About 12 trucks, several sedans and an ambulance were at the gate of the installation. [redacted] (7)

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13. The following units turned in their laundry in Jueterbog during the period from 4 to 7 August:

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<u>Number and Kind of Articles of Clothing</u>	<u>Epaulets and Branch-of-Service</u>
1,225 shirts	red-bordered black
1,222 drawers	
2,422 bedsheets	
1,203 pillowcases	
1,238 towels	
586 footwraps	
185 shirts	red-bordered black
183 drawers	
218 bedsheets	
195 pillowcases	
190 towels	
213 footwraps	
42 shirts	red-bordered black
42 drawers	
51 bedsheets	
48 pillowcases	
47 towels	
54 footwraps	

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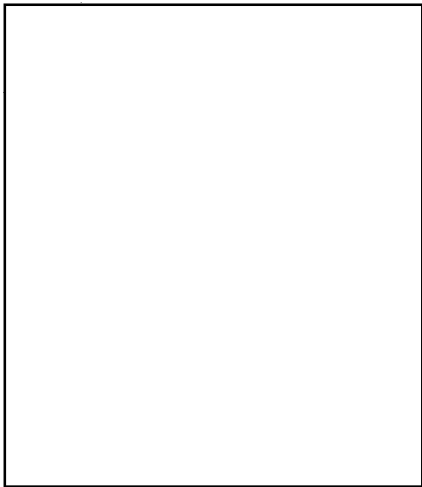
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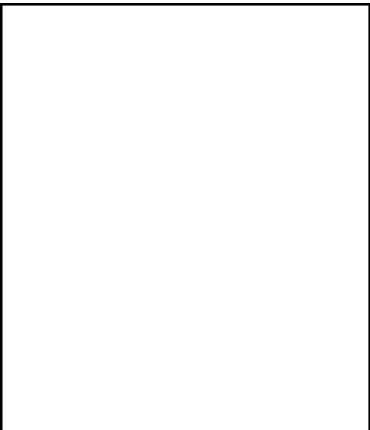
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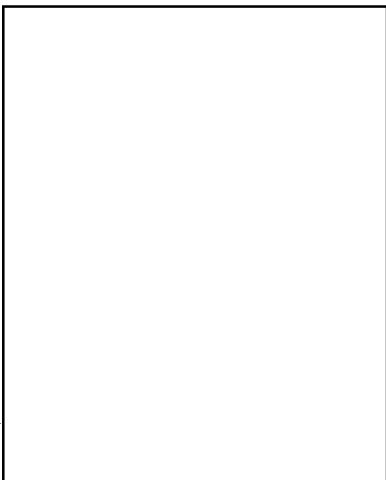
<u>Number and Kind of Articles of Clothing</u>	<u>Shoulders and Branch-of-Service</u>
120 shirts	red-bordered black with tank insignia
120 drawers	
235 bedsheets	
125 pillowcases	
125 towels	
74 footwraps	
810 shirts	red-bordered black with tank insignia
813 drawers	
1,672 bedsheets	
794 pillowcases	
809 towels	
1,177 footwraps	

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235 shirts	red-bordered black
233 drawers	
473 bedsheets	
224 pillowcases	
276 towels	
468 footwraps	
473 shirts	red-bordered black with tank insignia
468 drawers	
1,000 bedsheets	
512 pillowcases	
815 towels	
363 footwraps	

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511 shirts	red-bordered black with tank insignia
513 drawers	
762 bedsheets	
568 pillowcases	
534 towels	
727 footwraps	
87 shirts	red-bordered black with motor transport insignia
89 drawers	
166 bedsheets	
90 pillowcases	
97 towels	
63 footwraps	
61 shirts	red-bordered black
35 drawers	
37 bedsheets	
35 pillowcases	
63 towels	
70 footwraps	
128 shirts	red-bordered black
125 drawers	
229 bedsheets	
217 pillowcases	
152 towels	
89 footwraps	
330 bedsheets	
175 pillowcases	
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[Redacted] Comments.

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Sources of paragraphs 1 and 5 confirm the majority of the 6th Gds Tank Div in their summer camp at Jerder-Markendorf until 14 August 1952. The numbered camp sections are keyed to a sketch previously forwarded. [Redacted]

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[Redacted] The officers mentioned in paragraph 1 were previously reported by the same source in 1941 to have been supply officers in the same sections. [Redacted]

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Malishki (fnu) and Patusin (fnu) are reported for the first time. Krainikov is possibly identical with Lieutenant Colonel Krasilnikov (fnu) who belongs to the 53d Gds Tank Regt. Compared with previous information

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[redacted] it appears that Senior Lieutenant Masov (fnu) is identical with Major Masov (fnu) and Colonel Mosel (fnu) is identical with Colonel Mosul (fnu). Major Moldoshenko (fnu) is believed to be one Major Kollochen (fnu) also reported by source of paragraph 1 in 1951 and 1952, as being officer in Section 1. Major Kollochen (fnu) presumably belongs to the 272d Gds Mort Regt of the 6th Gds Tank Div from Jucterbog-Altes Lager which was stationed in Sections 1 and 2 of Camp Jender-Markendorf last year

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[redacted] confirms this regiment as being stationed there until 5 February 1952. According to records available, it is possible that Lieutenant Colonel Pushkov (fnu) also reported by source of paragraph 10 is identical with Lieutenant Colonel Pushkin (fnu) of the 272d Gds Mort Regt.

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The occupation of the Fuchsberg Kaserne is not known. On the basis of previous reports, it can be assumed that battalions are stationed there which are subordinate directly to the Hq 14th Gds Mecz Div in the nearby Neue Finanzant and that other units are also stationed there. Recent information predominantly indicated the presence of the engineer battalion and the motorcycle battalion. See paragraph 2 of this report and [redacted].

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[redacted] it appears that a tank battalion is also stationed there. [redacted] the 14th Gds Mecz Div or to other units of the Third Gds Mecz Army.

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The columns were composed of motor vehicles of the 14th Gds Mecz Div.

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[redacted] these trains carried elements of the Second Gds Mecz Army. [redacted] indicated that components of the 1st Mecz Div and of the 9th Gds Tank Div were rotated to the Jucterbog troop training grounds for firing practice as of late July. According to the information contained in paragraph 11 of the present report, it appears that these units and, especially the 9th Gds Tank Div, are alternately quartered in the tent camp which has been reported twice [redacted]. See [redacted]

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The light occupation of the Fliegerhorst is possibly because elements of the 14th Gds Mecz Div stationed there are temporarily out for practices near the military post.

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[redacted] the AAA unit observed belongs to the air force and was presumably engaged in practices. [redacted]

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According to a sketch submitted by source but not forwarded, the AAA emplacement is near the Adolf Hitler Camp which houses the Hq Third Gds Army.

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Wittenberg training area in July. Moreover, reports from this training area indicated that the engineer training of units of the Third Gds Mecz Army was completed about that time. [redacted]

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