

COUNTRY: Eastern Germany REPORT

TOPIC: Military Information from the Engineer Camp North of the Dessau-Aken 25X1

Road and from Bernburg

EVALUATION: [redacted] 25X1 PLACE OBTAINED: [redacted] 25X1

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- 25X1 1. During the period from 15 August to 4 September 1952, [redacted]
- 25X1 the commanding officer of the unit in the engineer camp in the area north
- 25X1 of Dessau-Aken (M 52/R 17) had returned from furlough. The camp quartered
- 25X1 an engineer unit from Bernburg (M 52/D 76). The deputy commanding officer
- 25X1 was Lieutenant Colonel Drakhtlow (fnu). [redacted] camp
- 25X1 would be broken on 25 September, [redacted] the unit would return to Bernburg
- 25X1 and [redacted] the majority of the unit would then move out to maneuvers. A German
- 25X1 construction firm from Dessau was ordered to start reconditioning the concrete
- 25X1 and brick buildings in the summer camp immediately after the departure of
- 25X1 the troops on 25 September. The tents were to be replaced by winterized
- 25X1 quarters. The foreman employed in the barracks installation in Bernburg arrived
- 25X1 in the camp and was ordered to speed up reconditioning work in the installation
- 25X1 in Bernburg in order to have the quarters ready when the troops returned on
- 25X1 25 September. [redacted] the Adolf Hitler Kaserne in Bernburg was
- 25X1 occupied by a guard unit of 35 men equipped with a T-34/85 tank. [redacted]
- 25X1 [redacted] these
- 25X1 tanks belonged to the engineer regiment as both units engaged in joint training
- 25X1 activity. The tank troops were quartered in a special tent camp and catered to
- 25X1 by a special kitchen. Other armored vehicles included two half-track armored
- 25X1 personnel carriers with AA machine guns. Trucks [redacted]
- 25X1 [redacted] were observed in the camp. *
- 25X1 2. Another camp was seen about 3 km east of the engineer camp. Three trucks, each
- 25X1 towing a 120-mm mortar [redacted] were seen leaving the camp. **
- * [redacted] Comment. [redacted]
- [redacted] the information can be considered a confirmation of
- the regiment in the summer camp on Hirschleckerdamm until 4 September 1952.
- ** [redacted] Comment. It is known that engineer camps are located in the area west
- and northwest of Gross-Kuchnau. The water-training sites are located south
- of Brambach. The unit equipped with mortars cannot be identified [redacted]

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