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1. The Optics Institute of the DDR Akademie was moved from Berlin-Farow to Berlin-Adlershof in the spring of 1952. It has become one of the largest optical institutes in all of Germany and maintains its own test station and lens grinding shop. The budget is reportedly large. The following departments have been identified:

- Teleoptics (Fernrohroptik)
- Wave Optics (Wellenoptik)
- Photographic Optics (Photooptik)
- Optical Testing (Optische Pruefung)

2. About 80 persons are employed at the Institute. The chief is Dr. Ernst Lau, and Dr. (fnu) Krug, who is regarded as highly capable, is his assistant. Dr. (fnu) Hodam is chief of the Photographic Optics Department.

3. The emphasis being given to the development of the Institute may indicate that the DDR government intends to centralize East Zonal optical research in the Institute, with a corresponding decrease in research at Zeiss/Jena.

4. Herr (fnu) Zoellner is now chief of the Calculations Department at Zeiss/Jena. In addition he has been made chief of the Photographic Optics Department and chief of the Geodesy and Aerial Photography Department. He is a member of the Scientific Council (Wissenschaftliche Hauptleitung) of Zeiss/Jena and one of the most important men in the firm.

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5. Herr Robert Mueller, chief of the Assembly Department (Fertigung) at Zeiss/Jena, stated recently that former Zeiss personnel returning from the USSR have introduced new measuring techniques at Zeiss. The new methods enable establishment of appreciably smaller tolerances and may be applied by unskilled technicians.

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