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1. The following information

for the period from 16 to 21 October

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1952:

a. Coal stocks and consumption of coal for operational use (in metric tons):

	Date in October	Hard Coal	Crude Brown Coal	Brown Coal Briquettes	Coke	Brown Coal Dust
Total Stocks	16	134,981	16,417	18,261	1,881	752
	17	133,761	16,292	80,921	1,875	654
	18 and 19	131,715	16,141	78,457	2,000	896
	20	131,540	15,823	81,595	2,034	1,003
	21	131,339	15,484	80,921	2,003	938
Daily Consumption	16	2,735 (2,633)	1,590 (532)	17,854 (16,061)	21 (-)	530 (530)
	17	2,957 (2,866)	1,495 (232)	17,617 (15,837)	21 (-)	335 (335)
	18 and 19	5,841 (5,765)	1,884 (432)	31,815 (30,412)	16 (-)	639 (639)
	20	2,555 (2,481)	1,233 (299)	17,684 (15,593)	23 (-)	283 (283)
	21	2,725 (2,648)	1,192 (231)	17,330 (15,948)	51 (-)	333 (333)

Note: The figures in parentheses refer to the coal consumed by locomotives.

b. Backlog of loaded cars:

Date in October	U.S.S.R. and Poland	East Germany	Baltic Sea Ports	Total
16	298	1,005	39	1,419
17	242	901	27	1,190
18	180	1,132	26	1,530
19	329	903	20	1,322
20	262	534	37	1,242
21	204	632	32	1,180

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c. Park of damaged railroad cars:

<u>Date in October:</u>	<u>Number of Cars:</u>
16	11,157
17	10,710
18	10,776
19	10,776
20	10,781
21	10,331

d. Park of operational railroad cars:

<u>Date in October:</u>	<u>Number of Cars:</u>
16	96,605
17	96,326
18	96,324
19	96,657
20	96,773
21	96,757 (1)

2. [redacted] a reserve of 120,000 tons of brown coal was being maintained at brown coal briquette plants for the East German railroads administration. 25X1

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1. [redacted] Comment. As compared with the last reported status of 15 October, coal stocks decreased by 8,743 tons to a total of 230,675 tons. Hard coal stocks dropped by 5,500 tons. According to the present daily coal consumption quota of 19,300 tons, coal stocks available on 21 October were adequate for 11,9 days' requirements. [redacted] The backlog of undispached cars, although decreasing slightly, was still far above the normal level of 500 to 600 cars. Since October, the number of damaged railroad cars has been listed in the daily operations report. This number includes all the railroad cars which are under repair at railroad repair installations. According to an official tabulation of freight cars, status of 1 April 1952, the park of damaged cars numbered 5,526 cars. [redacted] The present report lists an average of 10,700 damaged cars. However, 5,000 of these cars had only minor damages, which can be quickly repaired. The park of operational railroad cars continued to increase. 25X1

2. [redacted] Comment. This information is unconfirmed. The storage at briquette factories of about six days' coal requirements is credible, because railroad coal storage facilities are limited. The measure is possibly connected with the planned establishment of a coal reserve for 60 days' requirements by the end of this year. [redacted] 25X1

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