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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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1. (S) SOVIET FORCES:

a. Some elements of the 10th Guards Tank Division have returned to their home station in Kramnitz. The rest of this division still held to be south of Berlin.

b. 19th Motorized Rifle Division is now held to be at home station and training locally. Elements that were deployed north of Berlin are believed to have returned on 21 September.

c. Major elements of 34th Artillery Division are at home station with remaining elements conducting training in training areas.

d. Elements of 6th Guards Motorized Rifle Division are at home stations.

e. No further information has been received concerning status of CSFG Headquarters which recently moved from home station.

f. Unidentified Soviet tank unit previously located in Installation 4231 departed the area on night of 20 September. Aerial photos had disclosed a total of 41 T-54 tanks in this installation.

2. (S) EAST GERMAN ARMY FORCES:

a. East German Army Forces that came into East Berlin on 13 August have departed the area. The following withdrawals took place during the reporting period:

(1) Elements of 29th Motorized Rifle Regiment, 8th Motorized Rifle Division evacuated Installation 4083 afternoon and evening of 20 Sep.

(2) Elements of 28th Motorized Rifle Regiment, 8th Motorized Rifle Division evacuated Installation 4225 night of 20 September.

(3) 8th Tank Regiment and 8th Division Engineer Battalion evacuated Installation 4121 during the period 20-22 September.

b. Present location of withdrawing units is unknown, but it is believed that they have returned to home stations.

c. The unidentified EGA tank regiment and Motorized Rifle regiment bivouaced vicinity New Zittau vacated the area night of 21 September. Present location of these units is unknown.

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d. 1st Motorized Rifle Regiment, 1st Motorized Rifle Division, is believed to have some elements deployed southeast of Berlin with remaining elements at home station in Oranienburg. 2d Motorized Rifle Regiment is at home station in Stahnsdorf. 3d Motorized Rifle Regiment and the tank regiment are still unlocated but may be the tank and motorized rifle regiments that departed Neu Zittau (par 2c, above) on night of 21 September.

e. A large number of troops wearing EGA uniforms arrived on the sector/sector border between Sonnen Allee and Grenz Allee Damm night of 25 September. First reports indicated this labor force to be East German Army. Some of the vehicles that transported this force, however, had bumper markings of V over P O O 18xx. SGP have been known to have vehicles with these markings. SGP also wear EGA uniforms with very minor differences in insignia and can be easily confused with EGA even from short distances. Efforts are in progress to fix the identity of this force.

G-2 BERLIN COMMAND COMMENT: Thus far, neither of the SGP regiments stationed in East Berlin have been involved in the Berlin situation. The reason for their not being used is presently unknown. They are considered more reliable, better trained and equipped than BSP, SAP or VOPO.

3. (C) EAST GERMAN GARRISONED SECURITY FORCES:

a. Sector/zonal border continues to be manned primarily by BSP with some assistance from VOPO's.

b. Beginning about 1200 A. 24 September, personnel in BSP uniform began appearing along the US-Soviet Sector border from UU897183-UU961149. These BSP personnel were mixed with VOPO's. The sector/sector border from UU 952135 south to the sector/zonal border is still manned entirely by BSP. West Berlin Customs Police reported BSP were working on fencing opposite French Sector in the Lubars area.

G-2 BERLIN COMMAND COMMENT: It is believed that very soon the entire sector/sector border will come under control of BSP.

4. (C) ACCESS SITUATION:

a. Railways:

(1) During this reporting period, no attempts were made by the East Germans to interfere with railway operations.

(2) Reference WISC 37: USMLM reported that laying of new railroad spur from SATZKORN (UU5215) to WUSTERMARK (UU6024) continuing on crash basis. Heavy concentration of machines and equipment observed along entire route.

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COMMENT: Report further illustrates stress placed on crash completion of double-track Berlin railroad by-pass.

d. Autobahn: Two American soldiers on their way to Helmstedt on 22 September were halted, taken from their vehicle, carried to Potsdam and held for six hours. They were finally released on orders from a Soviet officer.

G-2 BERLIN COMMAND COMMENT: CIC debriefing and interrogation indicated that EM conformed to Code of Conduct and did not divulge any defense information during their detention.

c. Air Corridors: During this reporting period, there were no attempts by the East Germans to interfere with civilian and military air traffic in the corridors to Berlin.

d. East Berlin: During this reporting period, there was one incident of a US Military vehicle being detained in East Berlin. On 18 September, a Berlin Command Staff Officer Visit vehicle was detained by VOPO's approximately 5 blocks north of the Friedrichstrasse Check Point. The reason for detention was given as an alleged traffic violation. The attitude of the VOPO's was extremely disrespectful, and they went out of their way to disrupt radio-telephone communications. When a Soviet Officer arrived, he refused to speak to the American Officer on the grounds that he was drunk and making too much noise. The Soviet Officer left, returned 20 minutes later and released the vehicle. The total time of detention was approximately 2 hours.

e. Canals: During this reporting period there were no changes in canal traffic or attempts by East German authorities to interfere with canal traffic.

f. Telecommunications: Omitted

g. U-Bahns, S-Bahns: Berlin Command ground and aerial reconnaissance reports activity observed on S-Bahn lines outside the Sector/Zonal border. It appears that more rail lines are being removed.

5. (C) HOSTILE RECONNAISSANCE: Hostile reconnaissance patrols continue to maintain surveillance of installations in West Berlin at an approximate average of 4 Soviet reconnaissance vehicles per day.

6. (C) REFUGEES: During this reporting period an approximate average of 45 refugees per day were processed at the Marienfelde Refugee Center.

7. (C) POPULATION ATTITUDES: This reporting period witnessed the removal of East Berlin residents living on the sector/sector border from their homes. Moving activity was observed from all 3 West Berlin sectors. The East German newspaper Neues Deutschland proclaimed these people were being moved to protect them from the disturbances being caused in these areas.

8. (C) PROPAGANDA: East German propaganda themes continue to center on the alleged "misus." of the air corridors to fly West German revanchists into West Berlin and the assignment of General Clay in West Berlin.

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9. (C) OBSTACLES AND BARRIERS: During this reporting period, the East Germans have begun digging a large ditch in front of the barriers and fences on the sector/sector and sector/zonal borders. This ditch, while not yet completed, is presumably to discourage barrier crashers.

10. (C) NEW MATERIEL IDENTIFICATIONS: No new materiel identifications were made during this reporting period.

11. (C) NEW UNIT IDENTIFICATIONS: No new units have been identified during this reporting period.

12. (C) AIR ACTIVITY: During this reporting period no overt flights or penetrations were observed; however, Soviet helicopters continue to maintain a close-in aerial reconnaissance on the southern sector/zonal border.

13. (C) STATISTICAL SUMMARY OF INTELLIGENCE OPERATIONS: During this reporting period, there were 16 ground reconnaissance patrols dispatched to East Berlin; 56 staff tours were made in East Berlin; 16 helicopter flights were made over the sector/sector and sector/zonal borders; one C-47 flight was made around the Berlin Ring; 30 ground reconnaissance patrols were made of the sector/sector border from the American side; 17 ground reconnaissance patrols were made along the sector/zonal border; and 8 reconnaissance patrols were made of the S-Bahn stations and lines on the sector/sector and sector/zonal borders.

14. (C) COUNTERINTELLIGENCE:

a. Missions to obtain U. S. military employment by hostile intelligence agents indicate interest in obtaining sources with even peripheral access. The majority of agents who received this mission would have been eligible by background to be employed in only routine work such as clerks, drivers, laborers, kitchen helpers, etc. While some may be eventually expected to obtain jobs of greater intelligence value, most could apparently satisfy hostile intelligence requirements in low-level positions.

Of 127 hostile intelligence agents who were neutralized, fourteen (14) had the mission to obtain work in Labor Service units, four (4) were to report on the hiring procedures in local civilian personnel offices, while nine (9) known missions were to obtain work as maids for U. S. military personnel. Essential Elements of Information assigned to agents in these general categories would probably have led to spotting and assessing requirements. It is also interesting to note that agents working in U. S. military offices and/or quarters have been frequently instructed to obtain CLASSIFIED DOCUMENTS (TMs, FMs, etc.). This reflects the possibility that in some past instances there has been a lack of understanding of document security procedures in that some hostile agents have previously obtained information of a classified nature. The Department of the Army and CINCUSAREUR have expressed concern regarding the improper reporting of security violations. The primary cause can be attributed to an apparent disregard for published

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regulations. This laxity in the administrative processing of known or suspected violations could seriously endanger national security.

There were nineteen (19) known missions to "establish contact" with U.S. personnel; these may be considered to be designed in many instances to advance spotting and assessing assignments. However, the missions included here were phrased in only general terms. Many were given to agents who were directed to establish residence in areas where U. S. Forces are concentrated.

Hostile requirements to bring U. S. personnel to East Germany or East Berlin pose a particular threat. Several of these missions were well-planned and involved elaborate preparations. In one case, personnel in WEST BERLIN who had previously been offered bargains in antiques were to be told that even better purchases could be made in EAST BERLIN. In other reports, certain EAST BERLIN bars were to be described as the best places to continue a night of drinking. From cases of U. S. personnel who were detained in EAST BERLIN and did not voluntarily report their detentions, it must be assumed that some personnel may have been contacted in EAST GERMANY and EAST BERLIN without notifying their superiors.

b. Pending re-publication of BC Circular 380-5, the following item is published for information: USE OF EFTO: Paragraph 9b, USAREUR Circular 380-40, prescribes that electrically-transmitted military information which is considered to be UNCLASSIFIED in peacetime but which would become classified in time of war will be encrypted and transmitted during peacetime using the Encrypted for Transmission Only (EFTO) procedure. Berlin Command has adequate signal division available to handle unlimited EFTO traffic. The EFTO procedure applies to all information designed "FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY" which is to be transmitted electrically.

15. (C) MISCELLANEOUS: Omitted.

16. (C) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENTS:

a. On 20 September the East German Volkskammer passed a law on the defense of the DDR. The effect of this law gives Ulbricht powers to proclaim a state of national emergency. While in a state of national emergency, he has a free hand with the population and their possessions.

b. On 21 September General Clay landed by helicopter in the West Berlin enclave of Steinstuecken. He spent nearly an hour visiting with the West Berliners living there. This is the first time a helicopter has been used ~~to fly~~ outside the sector/zonal border of West Berlin.

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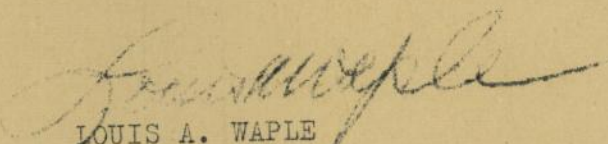
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c. On 22 September, at 1640 hours, a helicopter landed in Steinstuecken and deposited 3 armed US soldiers and equipment. The soldiers remained there until 25 September, at which time they were relieved by 3 more US soldiers.

d. The Provost Marshal Patrols along the Autobahn were increased to 6 a day. Beginning 26 September, they will be decreased to 3 patrols a day.


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