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1. A Soviet airfield, about four kilometers square, is located about six kilometers south of Legnica (Liegnitz). The field is bounded on the east by the Legnica-Jawor (Liegnitz-Jauer) railroad line and on the west by the road running to Nowa Wies (Neudorf), and is connected with the main railroad line to Legnica by a single branch line. In 1952, the field was extended and modernized, and specially adapted for the training of fliers for which it is, at present, being used.
2. Soviet fliers, who have previously been trained at some other place, come to the field to receive advanced flight training (doskonalenie w lotach) in propeller-driven planes, such as IIs and YAKs. After the fliers have passed their advanced training course in propeller-driven planes, they are sent to other airfields in Silesia to receive training in jet planes. No jets are located on the Legnica field (sic). The training classes are changed twice a year, in the spring and in the fall.
3. The commander of the airfield and the garrison located on the field which numbers over 1,000 men, including fliers, technical and ground personnel, is Morozow (fnu), a Soviet general. The instructor's group on the field numbers about 50 men, among whom are some so-called war heroes of the Soviet Union. The instructors are changed relatively often, but only singly and not in groups as the trainees.

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