





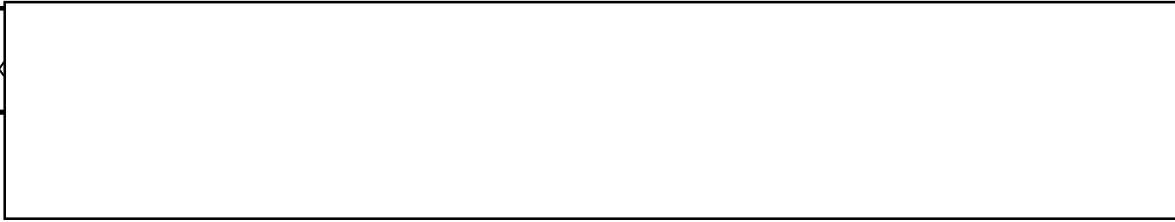
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1. The administration building, command headquarters, barracks for the air corps personnel, and the majority of the workshops are located along the north side of Legnica (Liegnitz) Airfield. Many of these buildings are wooden structures on brick foundations which were constructed by the Germans before and during the war and by the Soviets after the war. About 14 buildings are one or two-story structures. The liquid fuel stores and some lubrication stores are located, mostly underground, along the southern border of the field along the highway leading east to Wroclaw (Breslau). This highway by-passes the town of Legnica.

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2. The airfield has about 70 trucks of between 1.5 to 3 tons, type ZIS, and about 12 tank trucks.



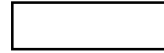
The crews for these trucks, i.e., the drivers, technical personnel, etc., are billeted in the northern part of the village of Nowa Wies (Neudorf).

3. The airfield is utilized by courier planes arriving from Vienna, Prague, Berlin, and Moscow which carry Soviet military and civilian dignitaries and Communist dignitaries from East Germany, Czechoslovakia, and Austria. Marshal Rokossowski also uses the airfield at Legnica for making trips to Moscow, and on these occasions he is always garbed in a Soviet uniform. His trips are never publicized in the newspapers or on the radio, and the Warsaw government itself probably does not know about many of these trips. The other Communist dignitaries usually use the Warsaw airfield in making their journeys to Moscow, and on occasions the Bialystok airfield when they wish to keep their trip a secret from the public. When any of the aforementioned dignitaries come to the Legnica airfield, the entire southern part of Legnica is shut off from the other parts of Legnica and is surrounded by Soviet troops. Unauthorized people are forbidden to approach the cordoned area and people who may be passing the area some distance away are

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forbidden to stop and observe the activities. Furthermore, the identities of the arriving or departing passengers are not revealed to the Soviet ground crews stationed on the field.

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