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The following information comes from a well-situated source who is reliable and well-trained:

1. There are three staff sections "attached" to the office of Major General KOTIKOV, Military Commandant of the Central Kommandatura on Luisenstrasse, but only nominally under his command. These sections are not to be confused with those offices directly commanded by KOTIKOV and his staff. The three sections are:

- a. Office of the Prosecutor, Attorney
- b. Military Court
- c. A so-called SIKRSK Department

The above three sections are under the supervision of Brigadier Gen. KART, but take orders from and report directly to their superiors at SIA Karlshorst, while Gen. KART is only kept informed of their activities.

2. The SIKRSK Department of the Soviet Central Kommandatura in Luisenstrasse is commanded by Colonel KOLZNIK, who has about fifty officers under him. Its function is the close surveillance of all personnel in Berlin; Soviet, Allied and German civilians, especially in regard to their contacts with Soviet military personnel. It is also concerned with the "political integrity" of Soviet officers and keeps close check on the activities of all Soviet personnel. At least one of the officers in each department of KOTIKOV's Central Kommandatura is working for this SIKRSK Department at the same time; hence all are in the same building. It is not known whether all officers in the SIKRSK Department play a dual role. NOTE: According to source, this SIKRSK Department comes under the jurisdiction of the MVD (Ministry of State Security), through Karlshorst. Here again we find the term SIKRSK used in a purely functional sense as indicating counter-intelligence, whereas we are dealing probably with an echelon of the KGB, otherwise known as the Third Administration of the KGB.

3. In addition to the SIKRSK Department of the Office of the Military Commandant, there is a so-called SIKRSK Group in Luisenstrasse under the command of Major SPILSKO. This group consists of about four officers. Its

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Its particular job is the checking and surveying of all Soviet personnel at the Soviet Central Kommandatura.

4. General SIDNEV's Department, on the other hand, is MVD (Ministry of Internal Affairs) and entirely independent of the Office of the Military Commandant of the Central Kommandatura, even though they occupy the same building. SIDNEV is directly responsible to Colonel General SEROV and is more concerned with Public Safety and GI activities.

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