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DATE	LOCATION	ACTIVITY	CHAIN OF COMMAND
1940/01/13	Vienna, Wehrkreis XVII, Bruck an der Leitha	Activation (source: Potsdam Catalog) (8. Welle), formation, training	C.O.: Gen.Lt. Max Pfeffer, 1940/02/06-1943/01/22. Subordinate to: Stellv.Gen.Kdo.XVII, 1940/02/06-1940/05/24
1940/05/21	Aachen, Walheim	Transfer, assembly	Heeresgruppe B, 1940/05/25-1940/05/29 OKH (Reserve), 1940/05/30-1940/05/31
1940/06/01	Eupen, Verviers, Huy, Namur, Ciney, Dinant, Chimay	Invasion of Belgium, advance	Heeresgruppe A, 1940/06/01-1940/06/04 AK 29, 1940/06/05-1940/06/25
1940/06/13	Fourmies, Hirson, Marle, Laon, Soissons, Crepy-en-Valois, Senlis, Creil, Montmorency	Advance into France	
1940/06/26	Beaumont-sur-Oise, Rouen, Cleres, Blangy, Neufchatel-en-Bray, Beauvais	Movement, security and occupation duty	
1940/07/02	Clermont, Laon, Marle, Hirson, Chambry, Vrizedy, Vandy	Movement, entraining	
1940/07/16	Cracow, Kielce, Rzeszow, Poland	Transfer	AK 17, 1940/07/16-1941/04/15
1940/07/23	Opatow, Lezajsk, Mielec, Rudnik, Tarnograd, Sandomierz, Tomaszow Lubelski	Training, border security, regrouping	
1941/04/10	Zamosc, Belzec, Velikiye Mosty, Szczepieszyn	Movement, training, construction of fortifications	AK 3, 1941/04/15-1941/05/03 AK 55, 1941/05/03-1941/06/10
1941/06/06	Telatin, Boratyn, Krystynopol (Chervonograd)	Assembly	
1941/06/22	Bug River, Krystynopol, Dobrotvor, Cholojow (Uzlovoye), Busk, Zloczow (Zolochov)	Advance, offensive engagements	AK 44, 1941/06/10-1941/07/15
1941/07/16	Ternopol, Cherny Ostrov, Ulanov, Kholonevskaya, Kordelevka, Priluka	Offensive engagements, advance into Russia	AK 4, 1941/07/15-1941/07/19 AK 34 Hoeheres Kommando, 1941/07/19-1941/07/30

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1941/07/23	Turbov, Tsybulev, Kapitanovka, Novo-Arkhanglesk, Zhabotin, Lomovatoye	Advance, offensive engagements	AK 44, 1941/07/30-1941/09/21
1941/08/22	Cherkassy, Dnieper River, Medvedovka, Chigrin	Defensive and assault operations	
1941/09/21	Omelnik, Dolina, Kulikovo, Voynovka, Chutovo	Advance, offensive engagements	AOK 17, 1941/09/21-1941/09/22 AK 55, 1941/09/22-1941/10/04
1941/10/17	Gryakova, Krestishche, Karavan, Merefa, Novo-Pokrovka, Chuguyev	Advance, offensive and defensive operations	AK 52, 1941/10/04-1941/10/14 AK 11, 1941/10/14-1941/12/01
1941/12/08	Donets River, Malinovka, Korobochkino	Position defense	AK 55, 1941/12/01-1941/12/22 AK 51, 1941/12/22-1942/06/12
1942/06/01	Pechenegi, Martovaya, Khotomlya, Gnilitza Vtoraya Nizhnyaya Dvurechnaya River, Oskol River, Aydar River, Topoli, Belolutskaya	Encirclement, offensive operations, advance	AK 3 mot, 1942/06/12-1942/06/15 AK 51, 1942/06/15-1942/08/05
1942/07/12	Markovka, Koshary, Pervomayskoye, Chir River, Ust'Gryaznovskiy, Surovikino, Chir and Don Rivers, Verkhne-Chirskiy, Potemkinskaya	Advance, offensive engagements	
1942/08/14	Verkhne-Kumskiy, Abganerovo,, Tinguta, Gavrilovka	Advance, offensive operations	AK 24 Pz, 1942/08/05-1942/08/12 PzAOK 4, 1942/08/12-1942/08/29 AK 4 (Gruppe von Schwedler), 1942/08/30-1942/11/22
1942/10/09 1942/11/22	Beketovka, Tsybenko (Mayskiy), Stalingrad	Offensive and defensive operations, encircled by the enemy	C.O.: Gen.Maj. Moritz von Drebber, 1943/01/22-1943/01/25 (POW)
1942/12/28	Bol'shaya Orlovka, Shakhty, Agrafenovka, Konstantinovka	Assembly of separated personnel, movement of Erfassungskommando 297	
1943/02/18	Dnepropetrovsk Blaye-et-Sainte-Luce, France	Preparations for entraining	

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1943/03/06	Blaye-et-Sainte-Luce, Jonzac, Libourne, Saint-Andre-de-Cubzac	Reorganized as Kampfgruppe 297, training, security duty, formation	Subordinate to: AOK 1, 1943/03/07-1943/05/31
1943/04/20	Blaye-et-Sainte-Luce	Reorganized as 297.ID	C.O.: Gen.Maj. Deutsch, 1943/04/16-1944/02/19
1943/06/05	Bordeaux, France	Movement for entraining	
1943/06/13	Pancevo, Zemun, Yugoslavia, Sabac, Loznica, Kragujevac, Danube River, Iron Gate	Transfer, security duty, antipartisan operations	Subordinate to: Kommandierender General und Befehlshaber in Serbien, 1943/06/01-1943/08/26
1943/07/11	Kosovska Mitrovica, Novi Pazar, Pristina, Prizren	Movement, antipartisan operations	
1943/09/08	Drin River, Albania, Kukes, Kruje, Tirana	Antipartisan operations, training	AK 21 Geb, 1943/08/26-1943/12/31
1943/10/23	Ulcinj, Lezhe, Kavaje, Durazzo	Coastal defense, antipartisan operations	

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Manuscript in the Foreign Military Studies series, MS P-055a (Partisan Warfare in the Balkans, 1943-44), by Gen. Hubert Lanz, contains reference to the 297.ID.

Although no records of this division dated later than 1943/12/31 were available at the National Archives, situation maps of Lage Suedost und Balkan and general staff officers personnel file show:

1944/01/01	Scutari, Tirana, Ulcinj, Kavaje, Elbasan, Ivanaj, Durazzo	Antipartisan operations, coastal defense, security duty	C.O.: Albrecht Baier, 1944/02/20-1945/04/29
1944/11/20	Visegrad, Yugoslavia, Tuzi, Titograd, Sarajevo, Matesevo, Gradac, Kolasin, Brodarevo, Pljevlja Celice	Movement, antipartisan operations	
1945/01/28	Slavonski, Brod, Nasice, Suho Polje, Koprivnica	Withdrawal, defensive operations	
1945/04/04	Nagykanizsa, Hungary	Withdrawal	
1945/04/12	Murska Sobota, Yugoslavia	Withdrawal	
1945/04/29	Radkersburg, Austria	Withdrawal (last date on situation map)	

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Ia, KTB 2. War journal concerning the transfer from Vienna, Wehrkreis XVII, to Aachen, 20-29 May; assembly south of Aachen, 30-31 May; invasion of and advance through Belgium from Eupen to Chimay, 1-12 Jun; advance into France as a reserve unit via Fourmies, Hirson, Marle, Laon, Soissons, Crepy-en-Valois, Senlis, Creil, and Montmorency; movement to, control of refugees in, and occupation duty in the Rouen, Blangy, Beauvais, and Neufchatel-en-Bray areas, 26 Jun-1 Jul; and movement to Bitburg, Speicher, and Koblenz, Germany, via Clermont, Soissons, Laon, Marle, and Hirson, France, and Echternach, Luxembourg, for transfer to Poland, 2-16 Jul 1940. Includes a register of officers.	1940/05/20-1940/07/16	297.ID W1089a	1968	1
Ia, Anlagen zum KTB 2. Daily reports, radio messages, orders, maps, and sketches pertaining to the transfer from Bruck an der Leitha and Vienna to Aachen and Walheim, 17-30 May; assembly south of Aachen; invasion of and advance through Belgium via Eupen, Verviers, Louveigne, Huy, Namur, Ciney, Dinant, Philippeville, Mariembourg, and Chimay, 1-12 Jun; and advance into France as a reserve division via Fourmies, Hirson, Vervins, Marle on the Serre River, Laon, Soissons on the Aisne River, and Crepy-en-Valois, 12-17, Jun 1940. Strength reports, order-of-battle charts, and lists of officers duty assignments.	1940/05/17-1940/06/17	297.ID W1089b	1968	52
Ia, Anlagen zum KTB 2. Daily reports, radio messages, orders, maps, and sketches pertaining to the advance in the Crepy-en-Valois, Senlis, Creil, and Montmorency areas, 17-25 Jun; and movement across the Oise River at Beaumont-sur-Oise and from Beauvais to the Seine-Inferieure Department to control refugees in the Rouen, Blangy, and Neufchatel-en-Bray areas, 26 Jun 1940. A copy of a French report concerning German tactics during the first months of the war and status and strength reports.	1940/06/17-1940/06/26	297.ID W1089c	1968	298

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Ia, Anlagen zum KTB 2. Daily reports, radio messages, orders, entraining surveys, maps, and sketches pertaining to quartering, control of refugees, and occupation duty in the Rouen, Cleres, Totes, Blangy, Neufchatel-en-Bray, and Beauvais areas, 27 Jun-1 Jul; movement from Beauvais to the Marle and Hirson area via the Clermont, Compiègne, Soissons, and Laon areas, 2-15 Jul; entraining at Chambry, Attigny, Novion-Porcien, Vrizey, and Vandy, France (motorized units entrained at Bitburg and Koblenz, Germany), 16-18 Jul 1940.	1940/06/27-1940/07/12	297.ID W1089d	1968	482
Ic, TB, Lageberichte West und Meldungen des drahtlosen Dienstes. Activity reports concerning the transfer from Vienna to Aachen, 26-28 May, intelligence services and troop entertainment during the advance in Belgium and France, 29 May-27 Jun, movement to and quartering in the Rouen and Beauvais areas, 28 Jun-1 Jul, and movement to Speicher, Germany, for transfer to Poland, 2-16 Jul 1940; reports on the political and military situation, west, 5 Jun-5 Jul; and war communiques, 6 Jun-13 Jul 1940.	1940/05/25-1940/07/16	297.ID W1089f	1968	703
Ia, TB. Activity report concerning training of troops.	1940/07/18-1941/04/08	297.ID 9469/1	1968	890
Ia, Anlagenband 1 zum TB. Orders, reports, surveys, and maps pertaining to the transfer from Hirson, France, via Koblenz, Germany, to Cracow, Kielce, and Rzeszow, Poland, 16-22 Jul 1940; and quartering, training, construction and maintenance of roads and billets, and regrouping in the Opatow, Lezajsk, Bilgoraj, Mielec, Rudnik, Tarnograd, and Sandomierz areas. Order-of-battle charts and periodic status reports.	1940/07/16-1941/04/15	297.ID 9469/2	1969	1
Ia, Anlagenband 2 zum TB, Grenzsicherung. Orders, reports, and maps relating to border security in the Tomaszow Lubelski area near the Polish-Russian border.	1940/10/12-1941/03/24	297.ID 9469/3	1969	305
Ia, Anlagenband 3 zum TB, Grenzsicherung. Orders, directives, and maps pertaining to border security,	1940/07/29-1940/09/05	297.ID 9469/4	1969	357

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Ia, Anlagen zum TB, Brueckenkopf Krzeszow. Orders and reports concerning the operations of the Erkundungsstab Krzeszow in relation to the construction of fortifications in the Krzeszow bridgehead.	1940/08/02-1940/08/26	297.ID 9469/5	1969	396
Ic, TB. Activity report concerning the transfer of the intelligence staff from Speicher, Germany, to Jedrzejow, Poland; intelligence services; military security; troop entertainment and education; movement to and quartering in the Sandomierz, Lezajsk, Bush, and Mielec areas; and border security in the Tomaszow Lubelski area.	1940/07/16-1941/04/08	297.ID 9469/12	1969	413
Ic, Anlagen zum TB. Reports concerning enemy fortifications along the Polish-Russian border, counterintelligence activity, and troop entertainment; and a study on the economic conditions, ethnic characteristics, and history of Jaroslaw is included.	1940/07/23-1940/10/13	297.ID 9469/13	1969	460
Ia, KTB, Band 1. War journal concerning border security, relief of the 75.ID, construction of fortifications, regrouping, and preparations for Achtung Berta (defense in case of a Russian attack) in the Tomaszow Lubelski, Szczebrzeszyn, Zamosc, Belzec, Uhnov, and Velikiye Mosty areas, 9 Apr-5 Jun, and movement to and assembly in the Telatyn, Krystynopol, Dobrotvor, and Boratyn areas, 6-21 Jun 1941.	1941/04/09-1941/06/21	297.ID 15193/1	1969	546
Ia, KTB, Band 2. War journal concerning the crossing of the Bug River in the Krystynopol (Chervonograd) area, 22 Jun, and advance and offensive engagements in the Dobrotvor and Cholojow (Uzlovoye) areas, 23-27 Jun 1941.	1941/06/22-1941/06/27	297.ID 15193/2	1969	673
Ia, KTB, Band 3. War journal concerning advance and offensive engagements in the Cholojow (Uzlovoye), Busk, and Zloczow (Zolochov) areas.	1941/06/27-1941/07/04	297.ID 15193/3	1969	754
Ia, KTB, Band 4. War journal concerning advance and	1941/07/05-1941/07/12	297.ID 15193/4	1969	868

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offensive engagements in the Zarudtsy, Ternopol, Skalat, and Cherny Ostrov areas.				
Ia, KTB, Band 5. War journal concerning advance and offensive engagements in the Cherny Ostrov, Novyy Konstantinov, and Khmelnik areas, 12-15 Jul, and pursuit in the Ulanov, Kholonevskaya, Kordelevka, Kalinovka, and Priluka areas.	1941/07/12-1941/07/22	297.ID 15193/5	1969	969
Ia, KTB, Band 6. War journal concerning advance and offensive engagements in the Turbov, Ocheretnya, Pliskov, Oratov, and Tsybulev areas.	1941/07/23-1941/07/29	297.ID 15193/6	1970	1
Ia, KTB, Band 7. War journal concerning advance and offensive engagements in the Krasnopolka (north of Uman), Babany, Vishnopol', Novo-Arkhangelsk, and Nadlak areas.	1941/07/29-1941/08/07	297.ID 15193/7	1970	96
Ia, KTB, Band 8. War journal concerning advance and offensive engagements in the Lipyanka, Kapitanovka, Serdyukovka, and Zhabotin areas.	1941/08/07-1941/08/19	297.ID 15193/8	1970	194
Ia, KTB, Band 9. War journal concerning advance and offensive engagements in the Lomovatoye and Nechayevka areas, 19-21 Aug, and movement to and defensive and assault operations in the Cherkassy area, 22-25 Aug 1941.	1941/08/19-1941/08/25	297.ID 15193/9	1970	301
Ia, KTB, Band 10. War journal concerning defensive and assault operations in the Cherkassy area of the Dnieper River sector, 25 Aug-14 Sep, and movement to the Medvedovka area, 15-16 Sep 1941.	1941/08/25-1941/09/16	297.ID 15193/10	1970	393
Ia, KTB, Band 11. War journal concerning movement to the Chigrin and Novo-Georgiyevsk areas, 17-19 Sep, crossing the Dnieper River, 20 Sep, advance and offensive engagements in the Omelnik area north of Kremenchug and in the Lelyukhovka, Dolina, Bogdanovka, and Kulikovo (Paraskoveyevka) areas, 21-30 Sep 1941, and relief of the 57.ID, 26-28 Sep 1941.	1941/09/17-1941/09/30	297.ID 15193/11	1970	497
Ia, KTB, Band 12. War journal concerning advance and offensive engagements in the Voynovka and Chutovo	1941/09/30-1941/10/08	297.ID 15193/12	1970	618

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Ia, KTB, Band 13. War journal concerning defensive operations in the Chutovo area, 8-16 Oct; movement to Gryakova, Krestishche, and Karavan, 17-20 Oct; advance and offensive engagements in the Novaya Vodolaga, Merefya, Ostroverkhovka, and Novo-Pokrovka areas, 21 Oct-2 Nov; and movement to and defense of the Donets bridgehead in the Chuguyev area, 3-10 Nov 1941.	1941/10/08-1941/11/10	297.ID 15193/13	1970	652
Ia, KTB, Band 15. War journal concerning defense of the Donets River bridgehead in the Chuguyev area, 24 Nov-7 Dec, and extension of bridgehead in the Malinovka and Korobochkino areas, 8-31 Dec 1941.	1941/11/24-1941/12/31	297.ID 15193/15	1970	824
Ia, Anlagenband Nr. 1 zum KTB, Korpsbefehle. Corps orders pertaining to movements in Poland, preparations for the attack on Russia, and advance and offensive engagements from the Bug River to the areas north of Uman, Russia.	1941/03/31-1941/07/31	297.ID 15193/16	1971	1
Ia, Anlagenband 2 zum KTB, Korpsbefehle. Corps orders pertaining to advance and offensive engagements on the southern front from Kremenchug to the Donets River in the Chuguyev area.	1941/08/01-1941/12/28	297.ID 15193/17	1971	205
Ia, Anlagenband 3 zum KTB, Divisionsbefehle. Division orders pertaining to operations in Poland in preparation for the attack on Russia and advance in Russia on the southern front to the Donets River in the Chuguyev area.	1941/04/09-1941/12/31	297.ID 15193/18	1971	563
Ia, Anlagenband 6 zum KTB. Befehle und Meldungen.	1941/04/09-1941/06/21	297.ID 15193/21	1972	1
Ia, Anlagenband Nr. 7 zum KTB. Befehle und Meldungen.	1941/06/22-1941/07/31	297.ID 15193/22	1972	86
Ia, Anlagenband Nr. 8 zum KTB. Befehle und Meldungen.	1941/08/01-1941/09/30	297.ID 15193/23	1972	354
Ia, Anlagenband Nr. 9 zum KTB. Befehle und Meldungen.	1941/10/02-1941/12/25	297.ID 15193/24	1972	638
Ia, Anlagenband Nr. 10 zum KTB, Erfahrungs- und Gefechtsberichte. Afteraction reports and critiques concerning operations in the Aleksandrovka, Petrovskoye, Prishib, Liman, Chuguyev, and Krasnaya	1941/06/22-1941/11/29	297.ID 15193/25	1972	943



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Ia, Anlagenband Nr. 11 zum KTB. Gefechts- und Verpflegungsstaerken, Kriegsgliederungen und Zustandsberichte..	1941/04/05-1941/12/31	297.ID 15193/26	1972	1045
Ia, Anlagenband Nr. 12 zum KTB. Kriegsrang- und Verlustlisten. A register of officers and casualty reports.	1941/06/22-1941/12/31	297.ID 15193/27	1973	1
Ic, TB, Band I, Anlagenband 13 zum KTB. Activity reports with maps pertaining to enemy movements and construction of fortifications, counterintelligence activity, border security, and troop entertainment.	1941/04/09-1941/06/21	297.ID 15193/28-	1973	10
Ic, TB, Band II, Anlagenband 14 zum KTB. Activity report concerning enemy operations, losses, unit identification, and propaganda; control of the civilian population and prisoners of war; antipartisan operations; German propaganda; military security; counterintelligence activity; and troop entertainment and indoctrination.	1941/06/22-1941/12/31	297.ID 15193/29	1973	35
Ic, Anlagenband Nr.16 zum KTB. Gefangenenvernehmungen. Interrogation summaries.	1941/06/22-1941/12/31	297.ID 15193/31	1973	53
Ic, Anlagenband Nr. 17 zum KTB. Daily intelligence reports.	1941/06/22-1941/12/31	297.ID 15193/32	1973	167
Ic, Anlagenband Nr. 18 zum KTB. Afteraction reports, inventory of captured equipment, lists of prisoners of war, and translations of captured enemy combat orders.	1941/06/24-1941/12/06	297.ID 15193/33	1973	286
Ia, KTB, Band 16. War journal concerning position defense in the Chuguyev and Malinovka area of the Donets River sector.	1942/01/01-1942/02/09	297.ID 18719/1	1973	370
Ia, KTB, Band 17. War journal concerning position defense in the Chuguyev and Malinovka area of the Donets River sector.	1942/02/10-1942/04/30	297.ID 18719/2	1973	529
Ia, Anlagenband 1 zum KTB, Taktischer Einsatz der Division. Daily reports, orders, and maps pertaining to defense of the Donets River sector in the Chuguyev, Malinovka, Korobochkino, and Grakovo areas,	1942/01/01-1942/04/30	297.ID 18719/3	1973	658

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Ia, Anlagenband 3 zum KTB, Taktischer Einsatz der Division. Taktische Befehle vorgesezter Dienststellen.	1942/01/01-1942/04/30	297.ID 18719/5	1973	966
Ia, Anlagenband 4 zum KTB, Gefechts- und Erfahrungsberichte. Afteraction reports and critiques relating to position defense in the Donets River sector.	1942/01/01-1942/04/30	297.ID 18719/6	1974	1
Ia, Anlagenband 5 zum KTB. Periodic strength and status reports, order-of-battle charts, inventories of the division's winter equipment, and reports on the formation and employment of a "Ukrainische Hundertschaft" (paramilitary unit).	1942/01/01-1942/04/30	297.ID 18719/7	1974	170
Ia, Anlagenband 6 zum KTB, Ausbildung und Gasabwehrdienst. Orders and reports relating to training and chemical defense service.	1941/12/05-1942/05/20	297.ID 18719/8	1974	332
Ic, TB, Band I, Anlagenband 7 zum KTB. Activity report concerning enemy operations, losses, unit identification, and propaganda; control of the civilian population; German propaganda; military security; counterintelligence activity; operations against partisans; and troop entertainment and indoctrination.	1942/01/01-1942/03/31	297.ID 18719/9	1974	476
Ic, TB, Band II, Anlagenband 8 zum KTB, Wochenberichte ueber die Feindlage und Feindlagekarten. Weekly reports concerning enemy military situation and maps and overlays showing the tactical disposition of German and enemy forces.	1942/01/01-1942/04/01	297.ID 18719/10	1974	490
Ic, Anlagenband 9 zum KTB. Daily intelligence reports.	1942/01/01-1942/03/31	297.ID 18719/11	1974	554
Ic, Anlagenband 10 zum KTB, Gefangenenvernehmungen. Interrogation summaries.	1942/01/01-1942/03/30	297.ID 18719/12	1974	704
Ic, Anlagenband 11 zum KTB, Russische Befehle und	1942/01/01-1942/03/31	297.ID 18719/13	1974	925

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Lagemeldungen. German translations of captured tactical orders relating to Soviet operations in the Donets River sector.				
Ic, Anlagenband 12 zum KTB. Russian propaganda leaflets with German translations, copies of the German military unit newspaper "Soldatenwahrheit," interrogation summaries relating to Russian deserters, reports concerning the use of enemy civilians as German agents and enemy losses, 1 Jan-28 Feb 1942, activity reports of the Nachrichten-Aufklaerungszug 297, 1 Feb-29 Mar 1942, and an afteraction report pertaining to defensive operations in the Donets River sector, 18-21 Jan 1942.	1942/01/01-1942/03/31	297.ID 18719/14	1975	1
Ia, KTB, Band 18. War journal concerning position defense in the Malinovka and Korobochkino areas of the Donets River sector.	1942/05/01-1942/05/31	297.ID 25940/1	1975	123
Ia, KTB, Band 19. War journal concerning movement to and relief of the 71.ID in the Pechenegi area, 1-4 Jun, preparations for and execution of Angriff Wilhelm (encirclement south and southeast of Kharkov), setting-up a bridgehead along the Donets River in the Pechenegi area and attack from Martovaya to the Khotomlya and Gnilitsa Vtoraya areas, 4-16 Jun, preparations for and execution of Angriff Fridericus II (offensive operations), attack across the Donets River in the Khotomlya and Gnilitsa Vtoraya areas, 17-22 Jun, and pursuit toward Burluk on the Burluk River, 22 Jun 1942.	1942/06/01-1942/06/22	297.ID 25940/2	1975	206
Ia, KTB, Band 20. War journal concerning attack across the Nizhnyaya Dvurechnaya River and assault operations in the Kamenka area of the Oskol River sector, 23 Jun-4 Jul; advance and offensive engagements in the Topoli, Urazovo, Demino-Aleksandrovka, Lantrovka, Kalinovka, and Lozno-Aleksandrovka areas, 5-8 Jul; and pursuit to the Aydar River in the Belolutskaya area,	1942/06/23-1942/07/11	297.ID 25940/3	1975	294

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Ia, KTB, Band 21. War journal concerning advance and offensive engagements in the Markovka, Sheptukhovka, Degtevo, Koshary, Fedorovskoye, Varlamov, Pervomayskoye, and Ust'Gryaznovskiy areas, 12-21 Jul; attack across the Chir River near Ust'Gryaznovskiy and advance and offensive engagements in the Frolov, Surovikino, and Staromaksimovskiy areas, 22-28 Jul; and securing the area between the Chir and Don Rivers, 28-31 Jul 1942.	1942/07/12-1942/07/31	297.ID 25940/4	1975	382
Ia, KTB, Band 22. War journal concerning securing the Chir and Don Rivers triangle in the Verkhne-Chirskiy area, 1-6 Aug, attack across the Don River, 7-8 Aug, and advance in the Surovskaya and Potemkinskaya areas, 9-13 Aug 1942.	1942/08/01-1942/08/13	297.ID 25940/5	1975	470
Ia, KTB, Band 23. War journal concerning advance in the Verkhne-Kumskiy and Abganerovo areas and offensive operations in the Tinguta area.	1942/08/14-1942/08/29	297.ID 25940/6	1975	561
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