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According to US intelligence report there is no current evidence to support UPI release Feb 11 stating Russians have increased supervision of Wall.

Since at least 1961 Soviets have patrolled zonal border behind East German guards, and manned several observation posts at potential trouble points on sector border. One Soviet guards battalion has for years occupied same barracks area in Zone as East German border units.

One or more foregoing points could explain story in East German Army publication Rund Schau upon which UPI release based. They do not, however, substantiate UPI conclusion of increased Soviet supervision.

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