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Events During Period of Harassment

- April 3: Brandt was turned back in evening at Lauenburg while en route to Berlin.
- ADN announced that East Germany had closed "roads and railways" to and from West Berlin to Bundestag members and other session participants.
- Soviet BASC Chief Controller informed Allied colleagues that flights must be limited to altitudes between 2000 and 3050 m. in corridors.
- April 5: East Germany closed Elbe River from Magdeburg to Tangermuende to traffic.
- Autobahn delays increased to 15 hours at Marienborn. British officer in uniform turned back at Babelsberg.
- All Berlin-bound German traffic stopped at Marienborn.
- Two U.S. military sedans turned back at Babelsberg and Marienborn, respectively.
- By noon, all traffic, including Allied military, held at both ends of autobahn.
- Westbound civilian traffic allowed through Babelsberg later in afternoon, but stopped by roadblocks on autobahn. Allied traffic still not allowed through checkpoint.
- Soviet jet buzzing of West Berlin began.
- Allied traffic cleared at checkpoints late in afternoon, then held up by autobahn roadblocks.
- April 6: Babelsberg and Marienborn closed in morning by East Germans and Soviets.
- Afternoon, barriers were lifted at both ends and traffic processing had reached normal by evening.
- April 7: Both ends of Helmstedt autobahn closed in morning. Barriers lifted around noon.
- Jet buzzing of West Berlin increased in volume and intensity.
- Heavy harassment of Allied planes in air corridors.

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April 8: U.S. convoy cleared at Babelsberg early in morning,  
later held up on autobahn.

Both entrances to Helmstedt-Berlin autobahn closed  
in the morning.

East German helicopter overflowed West Berlin.

Babelsberg and Marienborn checkpoints opened at  
noon, closed again in evening for five hours.

April 9: Harassment of all kinds began to diminish.

Babelsberg and Marienborn closed again at 1800 for  
three hours.

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