Snippet: New System - KONSTRUKTOR (German/Ukrainian) 4 different sets from 'Germany/Ukraine' were offered 'as new' on German & U.S. Ebay last year, & the logo on them, below, is again reminiscent of Eitech. Moreover the

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parts that can be seen on the models on the boxes look like standard CONSTRUCTION. So this time the sets could be packaged in the Ukraine or made there under license.

The 'au' letters in the logo are probably the written form of the Cyrillic aŭ, a Russian interjection, one meaning of which is surprise or pleasure.

The 4 sets are Nos.10110, 10201, 10202, & 10203, and all the boxes are similar to the to the 10110 below, with the



KONSTRUKTOR name across the top, a large photo of the featured model, some small, simple models to one side, and in yellow stars, the number of parts in the set and the claimed number of models. The degree of realism in the picture of the featured model varies from set to set. The underside of the

10201 box shows a selection of models but for the other sets there are 4 views of the featured model.

The 10110 box is $9\frac{1}{2}*7\frac{1}{2}*2\frac{1}{2}$ ", and 189 parts & 14 models are claimed. This is the only set where the model on the bottom of the box is identical to the one on the front.

No. 10202, 15*9*2½", has 282 parts for 20 models and the featured model is a Helicopter. From the picture of it on the lid below it looks as if it is a model made of constructional parts



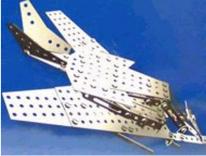
with some added special pieces. On the bottom though is a simpler version, below,



presumably the model that can actually be made with the

parts in the set. It still looks a fair model and the 2 rotors, one above the other, are retained – bet they don't contrarotate as they should though.

The 10203 (276 parts/18 models) features a Stealth Bomber, & in this case the difference between the lid model & the 'actual' version (right) is not as great, but the former does have extra, realistic parts, notably in the cabin area.



Set 10201 (260 parts/26 models) features a '4 x 4' on the lid, with realistic bonnet, headlights & grill that are missing from the one view of the 'actual' model on the bottom. Also shown there are 6 other models, the Helicopter & Bomber already mentioned, and 4 smaller models – a Floatplane, a Jeep, a Motorcycle, & a F1 Racing Car. All 6 have illegible names or numbers by them and so possibly the smaller ones are made from other sets in the series.

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Snippet: 'New' System – QUICK All that is known of this system are the photos of the lid (below) & open box (right). It is



presumably German and perhaps from the 1940s, judging by the outfit the woman in the foreground is wearing.

The types of part that can be seen are a 9h Strip, shorter ones in the Car, and perhaps longer ones near the lower edge of the box; a 5h long DAS; a 5*11h Perforated Plate; possibly the end of an A/G & a 2h wide Plate (in the top RH corner); a distinctive 5h wide Trunnion; 2 sizes of Pulley, with fat Tyres or Rubber Rings on 5 of the smaller ones; Axle Rods & a Crank Handle.



And in the pile below the Trunnions are 3 short lengths of what might be U-shaped channels, or perhaps they are rectangular in section - but of course they may not have been part of the Set. Lying over the top of the righthand one is what looks like a rod with a very coarse thread, and there is another over the DAS in the top right corner. Probably 'foreigners' too, woodscrews perhaps.

In the original photo the structural parts have an aluminium look to them. The holes appear to be quite large in relation to their pitch, and $4\text{mm} \varnothing$ at 10mm pitch would be a possibility.

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