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BELORUSSIAN MD

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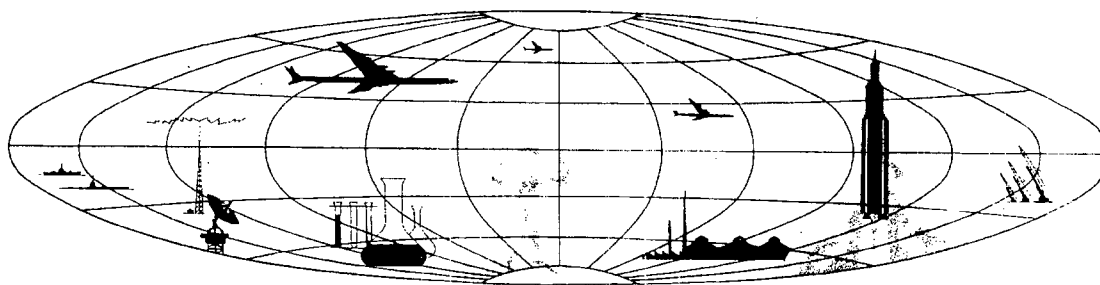
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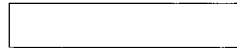
Titles and letter designators for the various facilities are as follows: (A) railroad service, (B) road service, (C) landing strips, (D) administrative and troop housing areas, (E) storage areas, (F) ammunition storage areas, (G) POL storage areas, (H) other buildings and facilities, (J) equipment storage/maintenance areas, (K) athletic fields, (L) small arms firing ranges, (M) driver training areas, (N) tank/assault gun firing ranges, (P) flat trajectory firing ranges, (Q) artillery emplacements (batteries), (R) infantry or combined arms field training area or courses, (S) special training facilities, (T) unidentified facilities or tracking activity.

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STORAGE AREA  
(53-44N 031-50E)  
KRICHEV, MOGILEVSKAYA OBLAST, USSR  
BELORUSSIAN MD

BE No: None

AL No: None



COMOR No: None

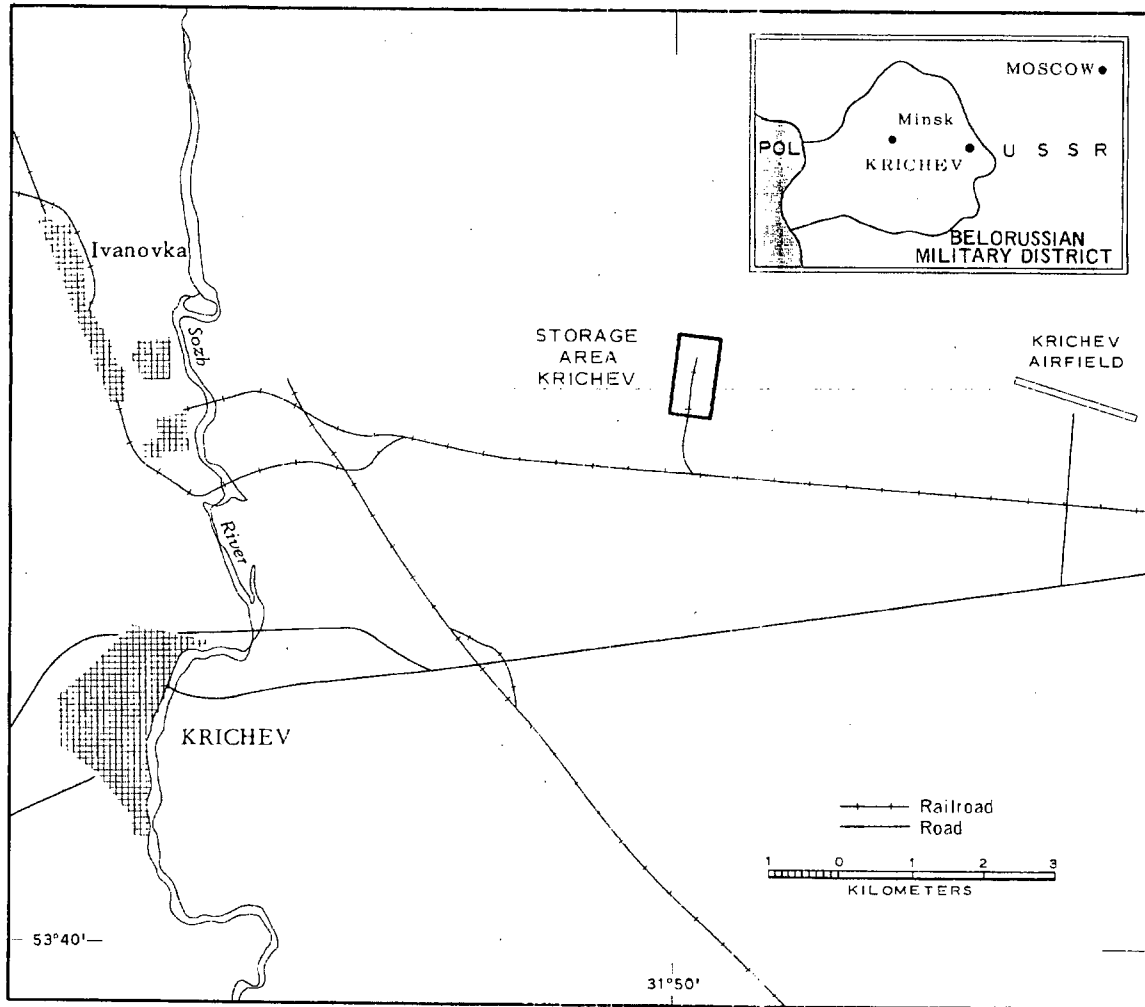


FIGURE 1. LOCATION OF STORAGE AREA, KRICHEV, USSR.

SUMMARY

A secured storage area is located 8 kilometers (km) northeast of Krichev (53-44N 031-43E) on the north side of the Mogilev-Roslavl rail line (Figure 1). The Krichev Airfield is located 6 km east.

The secured storage area covers approximately 35 acres and contains 11 storage buildings, one storage building under construction and 5 support buildings. A support area consisting of 11 buildings is located outside the secured area. This installation was identified

as a military depot on US Target Information Sheet, Krichev, USSR, 0167-9561 TIS, 2ded, May 1957. The current military significance of this storage area is not determined.

The area was covered by five KEYHOLE missions between April 1962 and February 1964. Comparative analysis reveals that it has been in use throughout this time. Significant changes since 1962 include the addition of two large storage buildings. Another large storage building is under construction.

DESCRIPTION OF INSTALLATION

Railroad Service

A single track spur enters the installation from the Mogilev-Roslavl rail line.

Road Service

An all-weather secondary road provides access to the primary Krichev-Roslavl highway 2 km south.

General Storage Area

Nine storage buildings were observed in area E (Figures 2 & 3) in 1962. By February 1964, two additional buildings were observed and a third was under construction. Five support buildings are located inside the secured area. A support area consisting of 11 buildings is located outside the secured area. Track activity indicates all the buildings are in use.

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FIGURE 2. STORAGE AREA, KRICHEV, USSR, FEBRUARY 1964.

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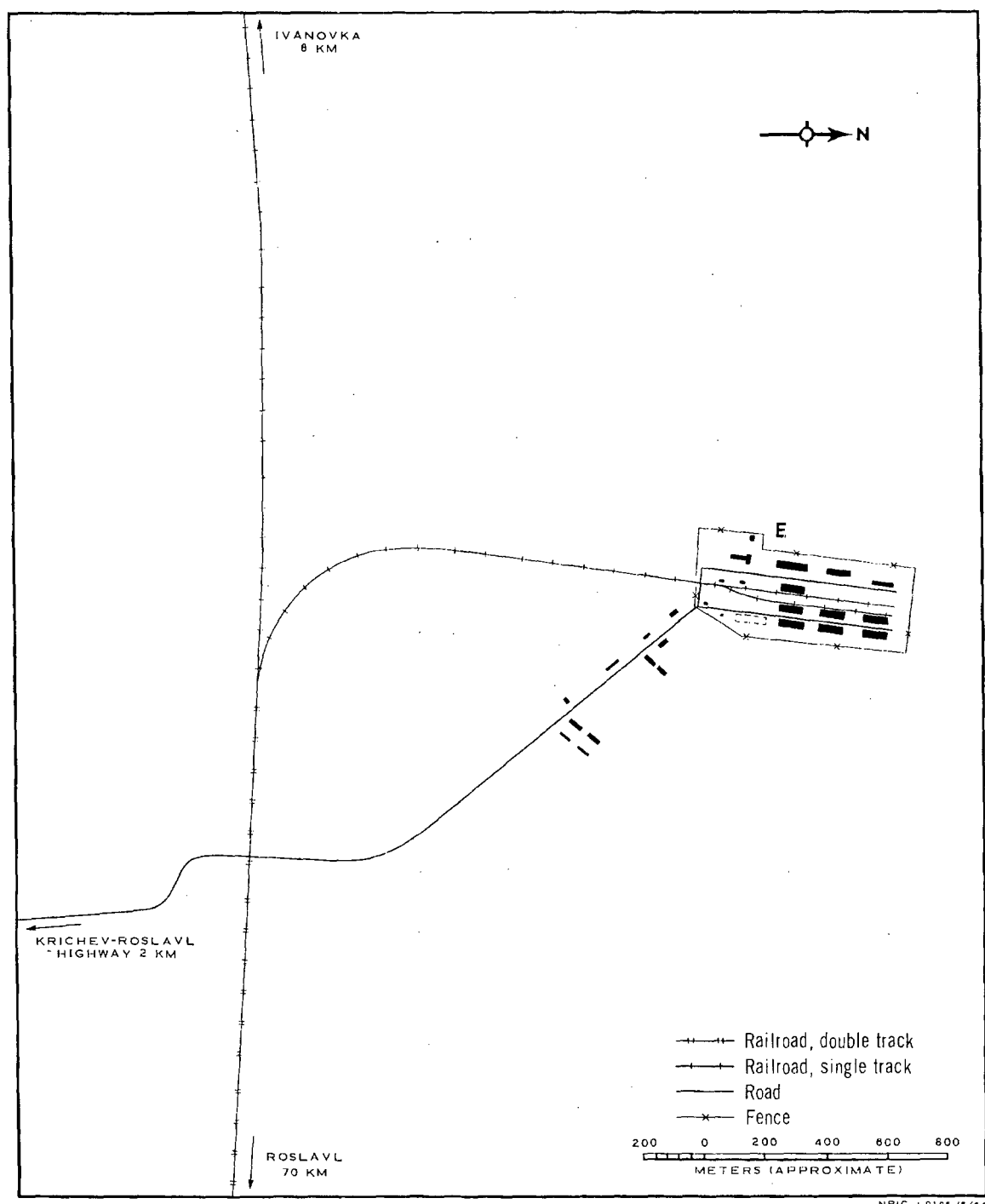
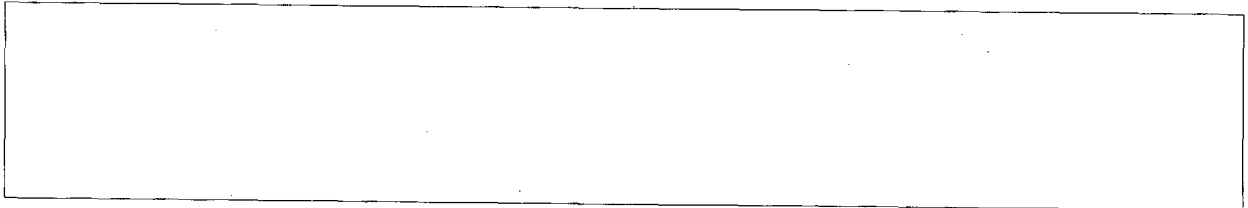


FIGURE 3. STORAGE AREA, KRICHEV. Sketch compiled from [ ] February 1964.

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