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# MINSK ARMY SUPPLY DEPOT AND BARRACKS MINSK, USSR BELORUSSIAN MD

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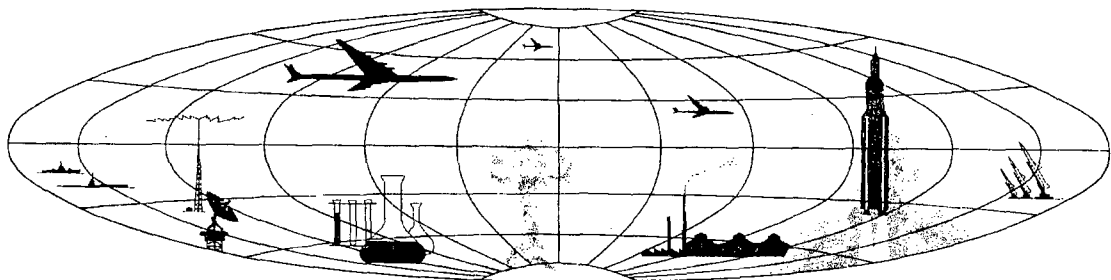
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PREFACE

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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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MINSK ARMY SUPPLY DEPOT AND BARRACKS

(53-52N 027-38E)

MINSK, MINSKAYA OBLAST, USSR

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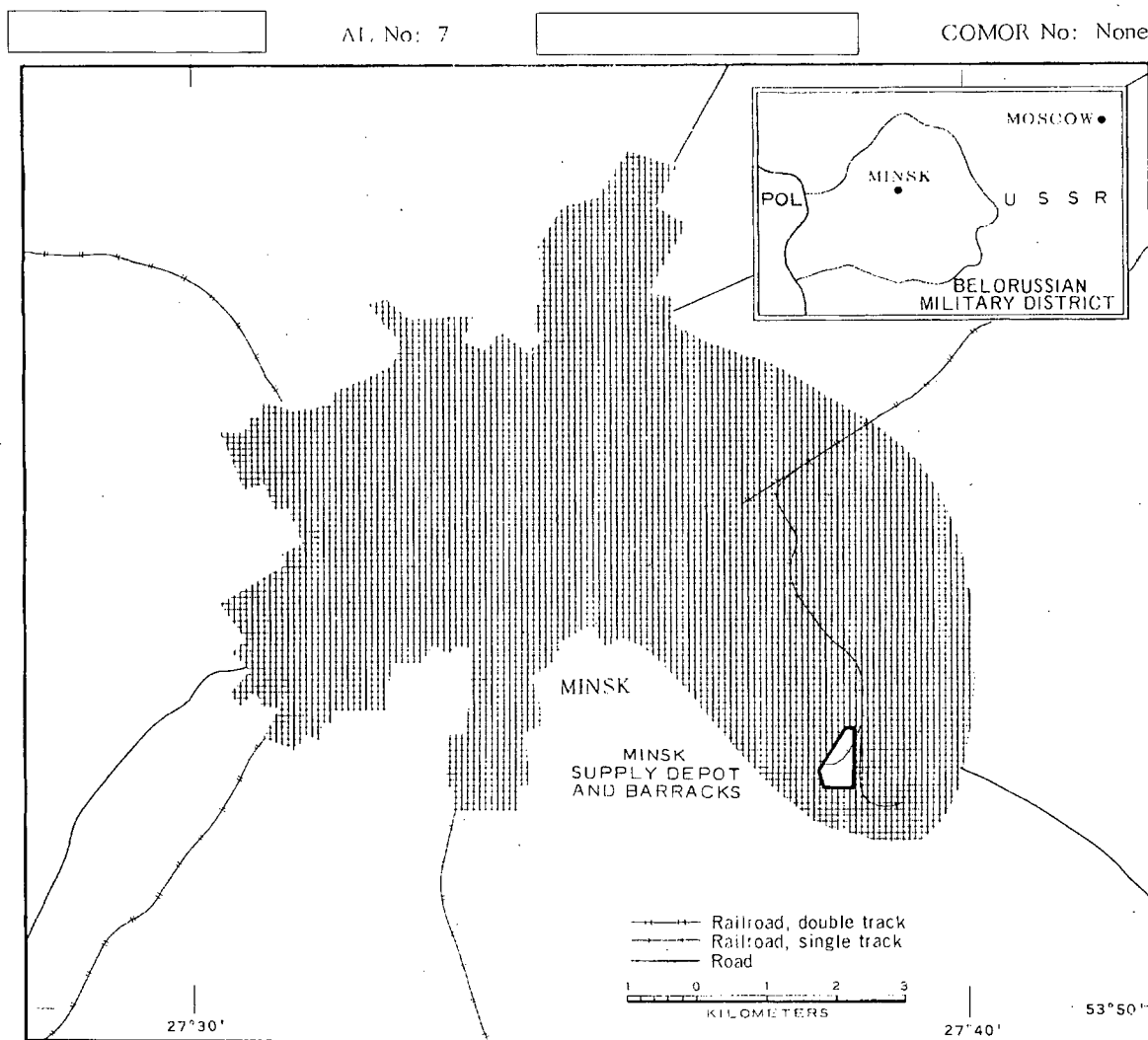


FIGURE 1. LOCATION OF MINSK ARMY SUPPLY DEPOT AND BARRACKS.

## SUMMARY

Minsk Army Supply Depot and Barracks (Figure 1) is located on the southeastern edge of Minsk (53-55N 027-35E). The installation is served by a spur from the Minsk-Borisov rail line. Road service is provided by a network of urban streets. Other military installations in the vicinity include the Minsk Army Barracks Uruchye (AL-1) and associated training area (TA-1) located 11 kilometers (km) northeast, and the Minsk Army Barracks South-Southeast (AL-5) 4.4 km west.

The installation (Figures 2 and 3) covers approximately 250 acres and includes 16 administration buildings, 33 barracks, 98 storage buildings, 29 support buildings, and a secured equipment storage/maintenance area with six vehicle storage/maintenance buildings, and one

motor park. The west central portion of this installation is secured by a double fence.

The installation is covered by 1956 TALENT photography and nine KEYHOLE missions between August 1961 and February 1964. Comparative analysis reveals the same general level of usage between August 1961 and February 1964, with reduced track activity observed on snow-covered photography of February 1962 and 1964. Significant changes include one administration building added between July 1956 and August 1961; five barracks, one administration building, one secured storage building, and one vehicle storage/maintenance building added between July 1956 and June 1962; and one barracks and one vehicle storage/maintenance building added between June 1962 and August 1963.

## DESCRIPTION OF INSTALLATION

### Railroad Service

A spur from the Minsk-Borisov rail line serving the Minsk Vehicle Plant also serves this installation.

### Road Service

Urban streets provide access to the installation.

### Administrative and Troop Housing Areas

Area D1 contains two administration buildings, five barracks, one storage building, and one support building. Four barracks and one administration building were added between 1956 and June 1962 and one barracks was added between June 1962 and June 1963.

Area D2 contains three administration buildings, eight barracks, and one storage building. One barracks was added between 1956 and June 1962.

Area D3 contains four administration buildings, 10 barracks, 10 storage buildings, and five support buildings.

Area D4 contains three administration buildings, 10 barracks, five storage buildings, and two support buildings. One U-shaped administration building was added between July 1956 and August 1961.

All areas appear to be occupied.

### General Storage Areas

Area E1 contains one administration building, 33 storage buildings, and nine support buildings.

Area E2 contains three administration buildings, 30 storage buildings, and four support buildings.

Area E3 contains 17 storage buildings and three support buildings.

Area E4 contains one storage building. This

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FIGURE 2. MINSK ARMY SUPPLY DEPOT AND BARRACKS, MINSK, USSR, JULY 1963.

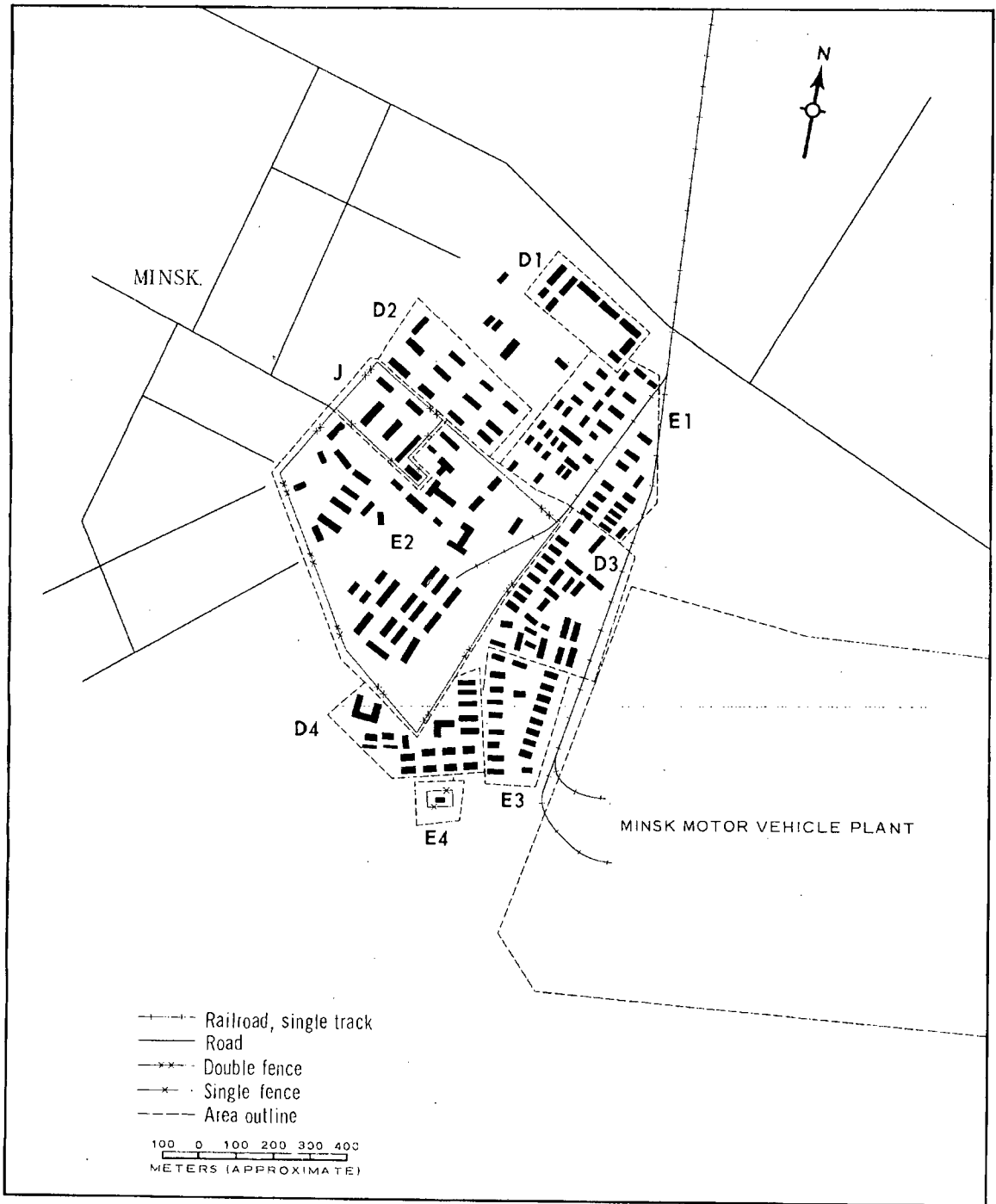


FIGURE 3. MINSK ARMY SUPPLY DEPOT AND BARRACKS. Sketch compiled from  February 1964.

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small secured area with one building was constructed between July 1956 and June 1962. All of the areas are being used.

**Other Buildings**

Five support buildings are located in the northwestern section of the installation.

**Equipment Storage/Maintenance Area**

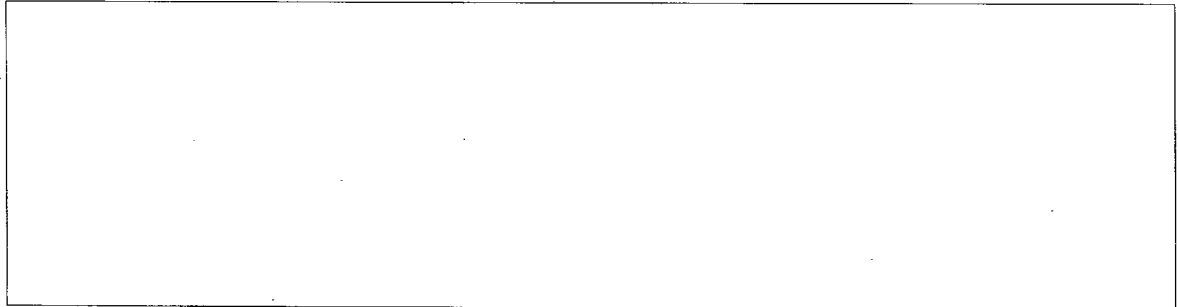
Area J contains six vehicle storage/main-

tenance buildings measuring 350 by 30 feet, 300 by 60 feet, 210 by 60 feet, 200 by 45 feet, 175 by 40 feet, and 160 by 80 feet, and a 370- by 180-foot motor park. The largest building was erected between July 1956 and June 1962, and the 200- by 45-foot building was erected between June 1962 and August 1963.

Trackage indicates all buildings are utilized.

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REQUIREMENT

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