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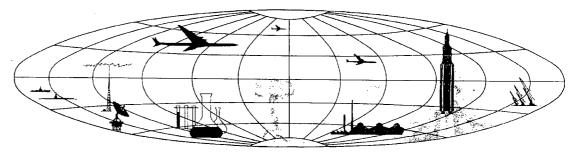


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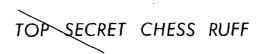
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#### **PREFACE**

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In the interest of uniformity, the titles and letter designators for the facilities observed at these installations are identical with those appearing in the project requirement. When a specific facility is not observed both its title and letter designator are omitted in the report.

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 BARRACKS SOUTHWEST (53-53N 027-31E) MINSK, MINSKAYA OBLAST, USSR BELORUSSIAN MD

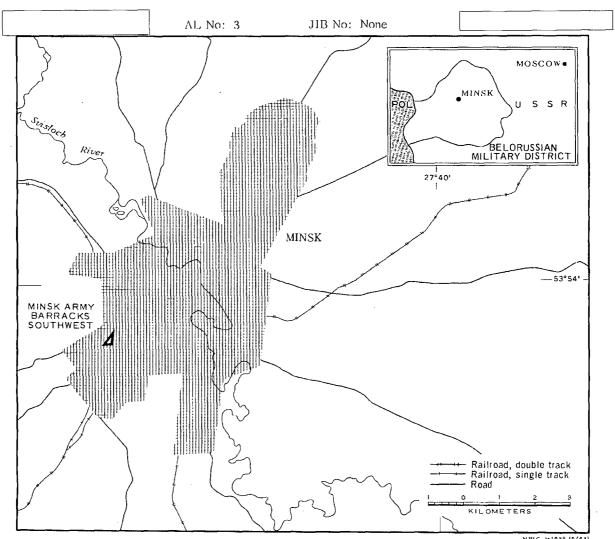
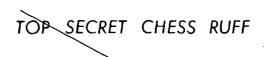


FIGURE 1. LOCATION OF MINSK ARMY BARRACKS SOUTHWEST.

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#### SUMMARY

Minsk Army Barracks Southwest (Figure 1) is located in the southwest section of Minsk (53-54N 027-34E), one kilometer (km) north of the Minsk Classification Yards and Shop South. Minsk Army Barracks Northwest (AL-6) is located 10 km northwest and Minsk Army Barracks Uruchye (AL-1) is 14 km northeast.

The installation covers approximately 15 acres and contains three administration buildings, five barracks, four storage buildings,

seven support buildings and two probable vehicle storage/maintenance buildings (Figures 2 and 3).

The area was covered by 1956 TALENT photography and seven KEYHOLE missions between August 1961 and February 1964. Comparative analysis revealed no changes in the level of usage from 1956 to 1964. The only change observed was that one barracks building, under construction in 1956, appeared complete by August 1961.

#### DESCRIPTION OF INSTALLATION

#### Railroad Service

The installation is located adjacent to a rail line running north from the Minsk Classification Yards and Shop South. No spurs or trackside docks observed.

#### Road Service

The installation is served by city streets.

#### Administrative and Troop Housing Area

Area D (Figure 3) contains five barracks, three administration buildings, four storage buildings and seven support buildings. The area appears to be occupied.

#### Equipment Storage/Maintenance Area

Area J contains two probable vehicle storage/maintenance buildings, 160 by 30 feet and 45 by 35 feet.

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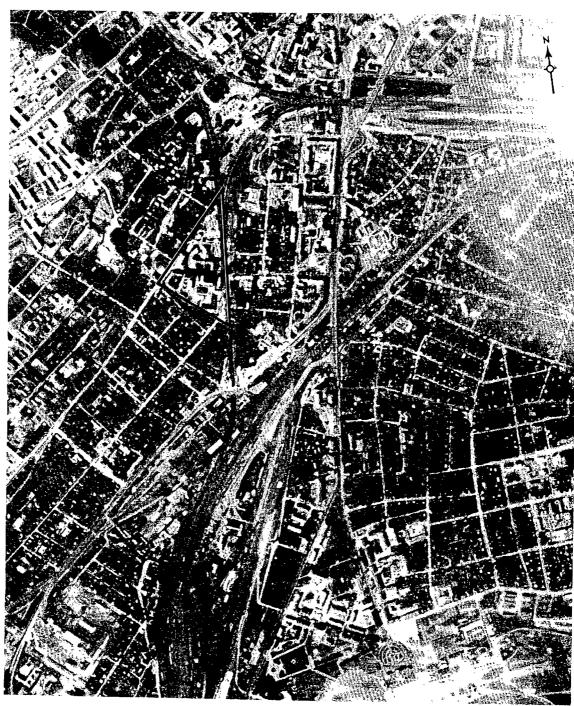


FIGURE 2. MINSK ARMY BARRACKS SOUTHWEST, MINSK, USSR, JULY 1963.

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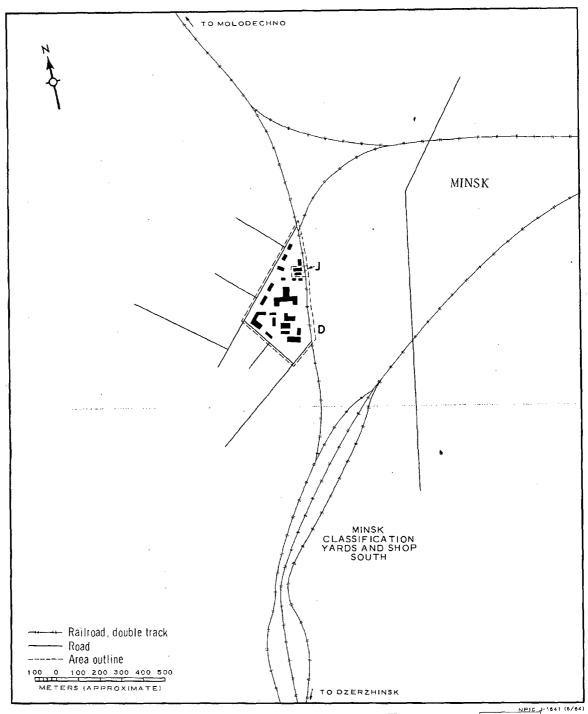


FIGURE 3. MINSK ARMY BARRACKS SOUTHWEST. Sketch compiled from

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