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PREFACE

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BALKI AMMUNITION DEPOT NORTH-NORTHWEST

(56-38N 044-02E)

VOLKI, GORKOVSKAYA OBLAST, USSR

MOSCOW MD

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FIGURE 1. LOCATION OF BALKI AMMUNITION DEPOT NORTH-NORTHWEST.

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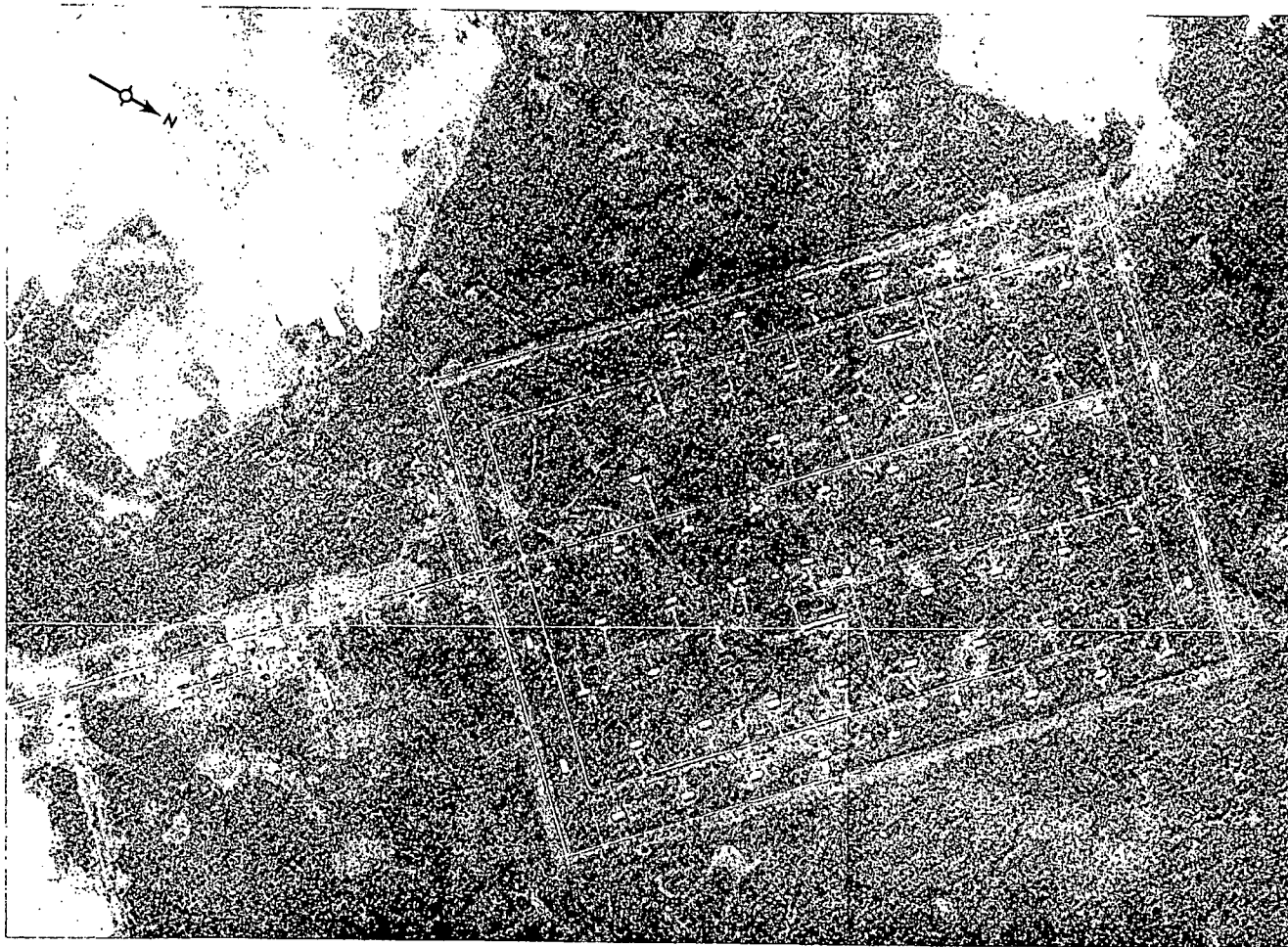


FIGURE 2. BALKI AMMUNITION DEPOT NORTH-NORTHWEST, VOLKI, USSR, SEPTEMBER, 1963.

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SUMMARY

Balki Ammunition Depot North-Northwest is located 5 kilometers (km) northwest of Volki, on the western side of the Semenov-Gorkiy rail line (Figure 1).

The installation covers approximately 1,450 acres and contains a secured storage area and a support area. The storage area contains 64 ammunition storage buildings, 2 long transshipment buildings, and 5 support buildings. The

support area contains an administration building, 7 barracks, 6 probable quarters, 4 probable storage buildings, 26 support buildings, and an athletic field (Figures 2 and 3).

The area is covered on photography from 14 KEYHOLE missions between June 1962 and September 1964. Comparative analysis reveals no change and continuous activity throughout this period.

DESCRIPTION OF INSTALLATION

Railroad Service

A single spur from the Semenov-Gorkiy rail line splits into 2 separate sidings within the storage area serving 2 long, narrow transshipment buildings.

Road Service

The installation is served by a probable all-weather secondary road to Volki.

Administration and Troop Housing Area

Area D contains 1 U-shaped multistory

administration building, 2 U-shaped multistory barracks, 5 multistory barracks, 6 probable quarters, 4 probable storage buildings, and 26 support buildings.

Ammunition Storage Area

Area F contains 64 ammunition storage buildings, 2 transshipment buildings, and 5 support buildings.

Athletic Field

Area K is an athletic field.

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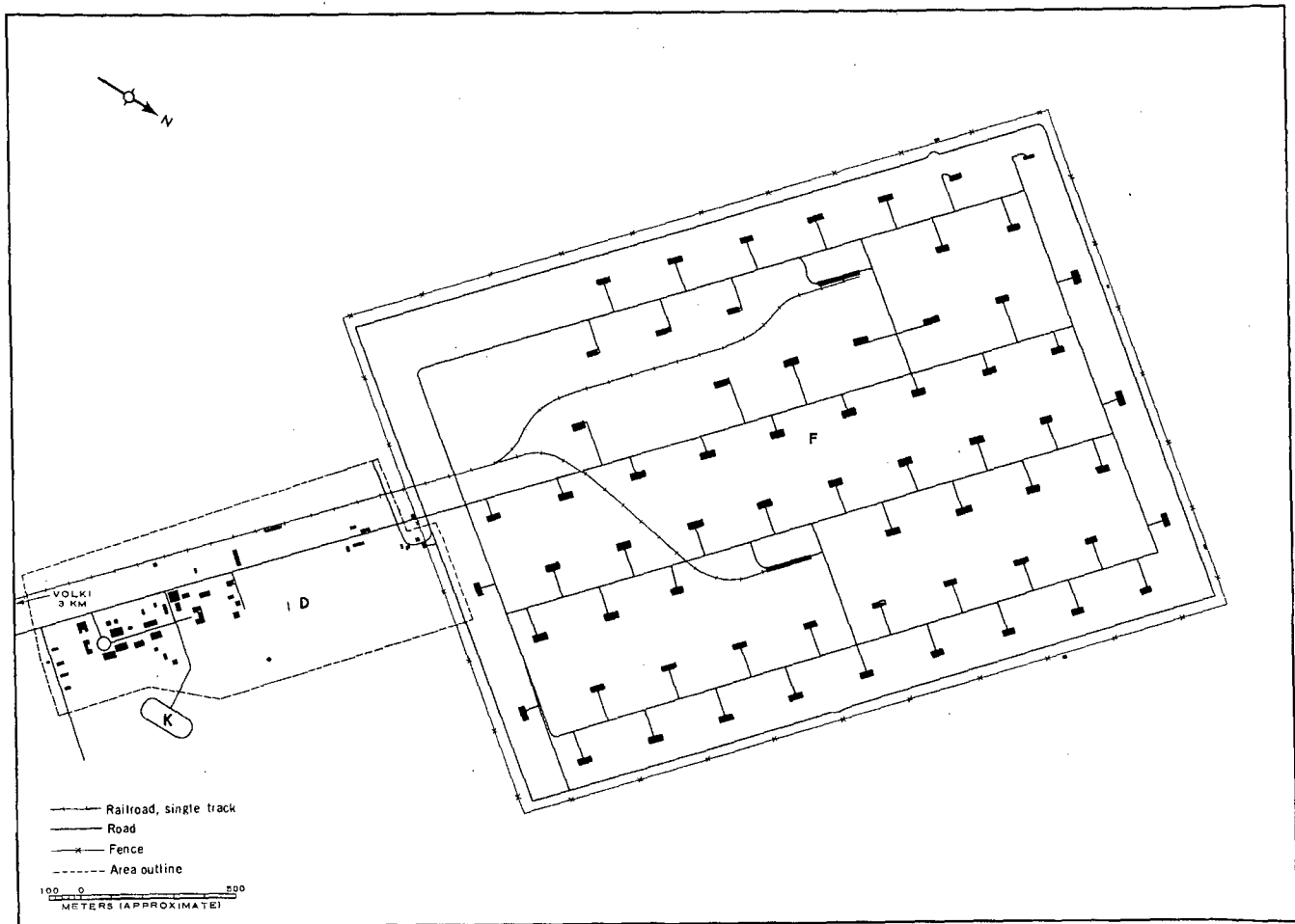


FIGURE 3. BALKI AMMUNITION DEPOT NORTH-NORTHWEST. Sketch compiled from [redacted] June 1964.

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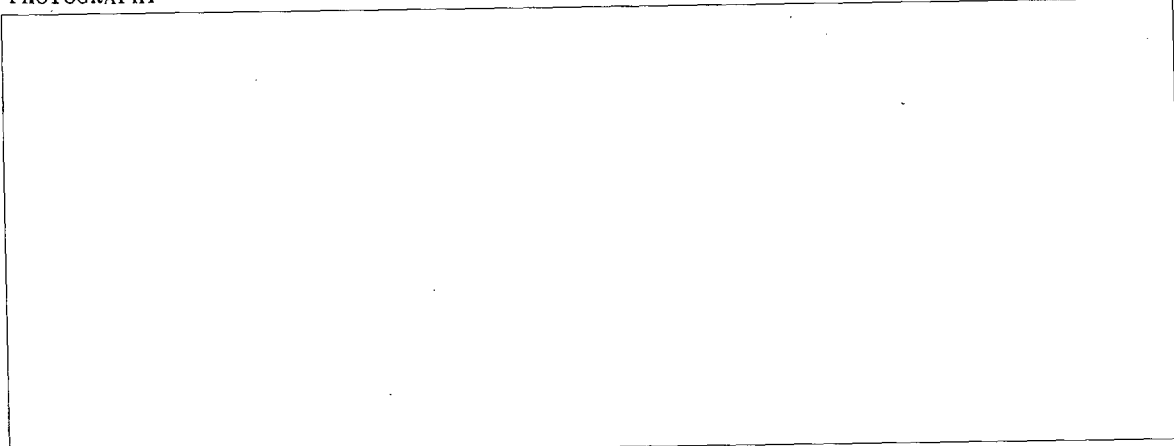
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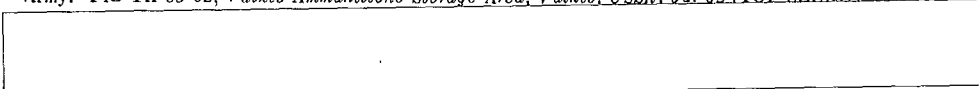


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