

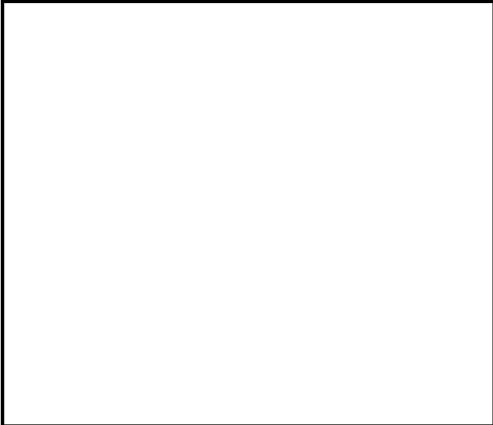
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CITE NPIC 2909
THIS IS A PRELIMINARY OAK CABLE BASED ON PHOTOGRAPHY FROM KH-4 MISSION 1045-1, DATED 25-31 JAN 68. PART 1 REPORTS ON HIGH INTEREST TARGETS OBSERVED IN THE MIDDLE EAST. PART 2 REPORTS ON OTHER TARGETS, PRIMARILY IN THE USSR. ANALYSIS IS CONTINUING. PART 1

EGYPT IS PARTIALLY COVERED ON 3 PASSES OF SMALL SCALE PHOTOGRAPHY OF FAIR-TO-GOOD INTERPRETABILITY. PARTS OF THE SINAI AND SUEZ CANAL AREAS ARE DEGRADED BY HAZE AND SCATTERED CLOUDS.

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AIRCRAFT COUNTS AT EGYPTIAN AIRFIELDS APPEAR NORMAL, EXCEPT AT NEW VALLEY AIRFIELD WHERE 11 LIGHT STRAIGHT-WING AIRCRAFT ARE OBSERVED. [Redacted] 7 CRATE AIRCRAFT WERE IDENTIFIED AT THIS AIRFIELD.

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THE NORTH/SOUTH RUNWAY AT BILBEIS AIRFIELD NO 2 IS BEING RESURFACED. A TOTAL OF 20 HANGARETTES IS NOW UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT INCHAS AIRFIELD. CONSTRUCTION CONTINUES ON THE NEW DISPERSAL AREAS AT BENI SUEF AIRFIELD AND THE NEW MAJOR AIRFIELDS AT BIRMA, ABU AL MATAMIR, AZ ZAGAZIG, AND WADI AL JANDALI.

NAVAL ORDER OF BATTLE APPEARS NORMAL AT ALL EGYPTIAN BASES, EXCEPT THAT A POSSIBLE SOVIET OSKOL ASL IS OBSERVED AT ALEXANDRIA.

IN EGYPT, 38 OF THE 43 KNOWN SA-2 SAM SITES ARE COVERED, TOGETHER WITH 5 OF THE 6 KNOWN SAM SUPPORT FACILITIES AND THE 1 PROBABLE SAM SUPPORT FACILITY. THIRTY OF THE SITES ARE OCCUPIED, 5 ARE UNOCCUPIED, AND 3 CAN BE IDENTIFIED ONLY. OF THE SUPPORT FACILITIES, ONLY 1 IS OCCUPIED.

SEVERAL OF THE CW-ASSOCIATED FACILITIES IN EGYPT ARE OBSERVED ON PHOTOGRAPHY OF FAIR INTERPRETABILITY. HOWEVER, NO UNUSUAL ACTIVITY IS DISCERNIBLE.

THE SUEZ CANAL REMAINS CLOSED. THE CAPSIZED PASSENGER VESSEL IS STILL IN POSITION AT THE 8 KM MARKER SOUTH OF PORT SAID. TWO POSSIBLE SUNKEN OBJECTS ARE STILL PRESENT AT THE SE END OF LAKE TIMSAH. SILTING IN THE CHANNEL THROUGH LITTLE BITTER LAKE HAS BEEN REPORTED IN PREVIOUS OAK HIGHLIGHTS. IN THE CHANNEL, HOWEVER, SHOWS NO SIGNS OF SILTING ON THIS COVERAGE. INTERPRETATION OF OTHER CANAL OBSTRUCTIONS IS PRECLUDED BY SCATTERED CLOUDS, HAZE, AND SMALL SCALE.

NO COVERAGE OF SYRIA, JORDAN [REDACTED] WAS OBTAINED ON THIS PART OF THE MISSION.

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IN ALGERIA, 1 SMALL STRAIGHT-WING AIRCRAFT IS OBSERVED AT BISKRA AIRFIELD. THIS IS THE FIRST SIGHTING OF AIRCRAFT AT THIS FIELD.

IN YEMEN, 2 NEW PROBABLE AIRFIELDS ARE OBSERVED UNDER CONSTRUCTION. ONE IS 15 NM ENE OF TIAZZ AIRFIELD AT 13-45N 044-15E. THE OTHER IS 1.5 NM NNW OF SAMA NORTH AIRFIELD AT 15-24N 044-12E.

AT SAMA NORTH AIRFIELD, OBSERVATION OF 1 LIGHT STRAIGHT-WING AIRCRAFT REPRESENTS THE FIRST SIGHTING OF AIRCRAFT AT THIS FIELD.

PART 2

ELEVEN ICBM COMPLEXES ARE OBSERVED ON THIS MISSION. DROV-YANAYA, GLADKAYA, IMENI GASTELLO, OLOVYANNAYA, SHADRINSK, SVOBODNYI, TYUMEN, UZHUR, YURYA, AND PLESETSK ARE CLEAR. INTERPRETATION OF VERKHNYYAYA SALDA IS HAMPERED BY SCATTERED CLOUDS. ONLY THAT PART OF THE PLESETSK MISSILE AND SPACE CENTER WEST OF LAUNCH SITE 9 AND 10 IS OBSERVED. NO SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITY IS OBSERVED. NO NEW ICBM SITES ARE IDENTIFIED AT THE DEPLOYED COMPLEXES.

THE TYURATAM MISSILE TEST CENTER IS COMPLETELY COVERED ON CLEAR PHOTOGRAPHY OF FAIR-TO-GOOD INTERPRETABILITY WITH SNOW COVER. A FOURTH SITE, CONFIRMED AS A SINGLE SILO SITE, IS NEWLY IDENTIFIED IN LAUNCH GROUP 0 APPROXIMATELY 2.3 NM SSE OF LAUNCH SITE L6. THE MISSILE IS NO LONGER PRESENT ON PAD J1. THE GANTRY IS ON THE PAD AT G4. NO OTHER SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITY IS OBSERVED.

THE KAPUSTIN YAR/VLADIMIROVKA AND THE EMBA MISSILE TEST CENTERS, USSR, ARE NOT COVERED. NO NEW CONSTRUCTION OR SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITY IS NOTED AT THE NENOKSA MISSILE TEST CENTER, USSR.

ONLY 5 OF THE 46 SA-5 COMPLEXES ARE OBSERVED. THESE ARE KRASNOYARSK SAM COMPLEX D03-5, NIZHNIY-TAGIL SAM COMPLEX D07-5, MURASHI SAM COMPLEX A32-5, ZAOZERNYY SAM COMPLEX A04-5, AND TYURATAM SAM COMPLEX B23-5. A PROBABLE AIR WARNING RADAR FACILITY IS NEWLY IDENTIFIED NEAR THE KRASNOYARSK COMPLEX. NO OTHER SIGNIFICANT CHANGES ARE OBSERVED.

NONE OF THE MOSCOW ABM COMPLEXES IS COVERED.

ALL FACILITIES AT SARY-SHAGAN ANTIMISSILE TEST CENTER, USSR, EXCEPT TRACKING FACILITY 16, ARE COVERED ON 3 PASSES. CONSTRUCTION CONTINUES AT R AND D RADAR FACILITY 2 AND TRACKING FACILITY 2. THE NORTH ANTENNA AT HEN HOUSE C AT SARY-SHAGAN ASAT/SPACE TRACKING RADAR FACILITY APPEARS EXTERNALLY COMPLETE INCLUDING THE ANTENNA FACE/COVERING.

THE SHUANG-CHENG-TZU MISSILE TEST CENTER, CHINA, IS SNOW COVERED AND IMAGED ON CLEAR PHOTOGRAPHY OF FAIR-TO-POOR INTERPRETABILITY. CONSTRUCTION CONTINUES AT LAUNCH COMPLEX B. THE GANTRY IS OBSERVED IN ITS REAR POSITION FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE

[REDACTED] UNIDENTIFIED ACTIVITY IS VISIBLE ON

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AND IMMEDIATELY SOUTH OF THE LAUNCH PAD. NO SIGNIFICANT CHANGE IS NOTED AT THE SAM COMPLEX.

SHUANG-CHENG-TZU NE AND PEI-CHING ESE AND SOUTH SUSPECT ADVANCED WEAPONS RELATED FACILITIES ARE IMAGED ON CLEAR PHOTOGRAPHY. NO SIGNIFICANT CHANGE IS OBSERVED.

OF THE 182 KNOWN SA-2 SAM SITES IN NORTH VIETNAM, 26 ARE OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS, NO NEW SAM INSTALLATIONS ARE IDENTIFIED.

IN THE PACIFIC OCEAN FLEET AREA, 3 SUBMARINES ARE OBSERVED AT THE STERLOK STRAIT SUBMARINE BASE. VLADIVOSTOK AND KOMSOMOLSK ARE CLOUD COVERED. SEVERODVINSK SHIPYARD IS IMAGED BUT SEMIDARKNESS AND HAZE PRECLUDE DETAILED INTERPRETATION.

AT THE KRASNOYARSK ROCKET ENGINE TEST FACILITY, USSR, (LIQUID PROPELLANT) EXTENSIVE CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY, WHICH MAY BE A NEW TEST COMPLEX UNDER CONSTRUCTION, IS EVIDENT IN THE SOUTHERN PART OF THE FACILITY.

AT THE KRASNOYARSK ROCKET MOTOR TEST FACILITY, USSR, (SOLID PROPELLANT) A DARK-TONED DISCOLORATION BETWEEN THE TEST CELL AND THE BLAST DEFLECTOR OF THE SMALLER OF THE 2 TEST CELLS MAY BE INDICATIVE OF RECENT TEST ACTIVITY. THIS WOULD BE THE FIRST INDICATION OF TEST ACTIVITY AT THIS FACILITY.

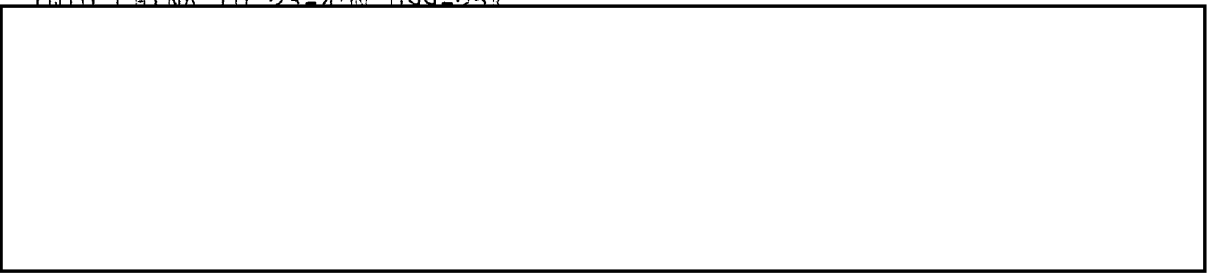


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A SCAN OF CHINESE AIRFIELDS IN MANCHURIA REVEALS NO UNUSUAL DEPLOYMENT OF AIRCRAFT.

IN SOUTH CHINA, A RAIL TRANSSHIPMENT FACILITY IS NEWLY IDENTIFIED AT MENG-TZU.

TEN PROBABLE MILITARY/ROAD CONSTRUCTION CAMPS ARE OBSERVED DISPERSED ALONG A 25-MILE ROAD SEGMENT FROM A POINT APPROXIMATELY 5 NM EAST OF THE CHINA/BURMA BORDER FROM 23-31N 099-01E EASTWARD INTO CHINA TO 23-40N 099-25E



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