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PART I - NPIC CANNOT DETERMINE THE PURPOSE OF LAUNCH PADS A2 AND A4 AT TYURATAM MISSILE TEST CENTER BASED ON AVAILABLE COVERAGE.

PART II - NPIC CAN NEITHER CONFIRM NOR NEGATE ANY ASSOCIATION OF LAUNCH PADS A2 AND A4 WITH PROBABLE LAUNCH AREA G AND H AT PLESETSK. THE "WISHBONE" RAIL CONFIGURATION OBSERVED AT PLESETSK MAY BE A VARIATION OF SEVERAL RAIL SERVED R&D SITES AT TTMC.

THESE ARE LAUNCH AREAS G1-G2, G3-G4, AND COMPLEX H NONE OF WHICH HAVE BEEN DETECTED IN DEPLOYED VERSIONS. THE IDENTITY OF THE PROTOTYPE OF PLESETSK G AND H WILL PROBABLY BE APPARENT IN A LATER STAGE OF CONSTRUCTION AS USABLE COVERAGE BECOMES AVAILABLE. NPIC FEELS THAT THE PRESENTATION OF G AND H AS SHOWN IN NPIC REPORT

[Redacted] DATED MAY 1965, IS STILL VALID. THERE ARE PROBABLY TWO RAIL-SERVED PADS AT EACH AREA WHICH ARE SEPARATED BY A DISTANCE OF APPROXIMATELY 580 FEET ON CENTER AND A LINE CONNECTING THE TWO IS ORIENTED ON AN EAST/WEST AXIS.

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