

PHOTOGRAPHIC INTERPRETATION REPORT

CONSTRUCTION TIMING OF SOVIET DEPLOYED MRBM LAUNCH SITES



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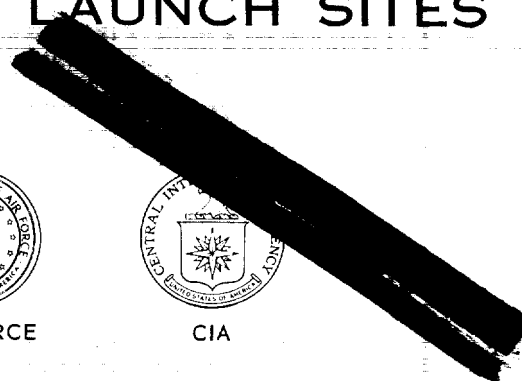
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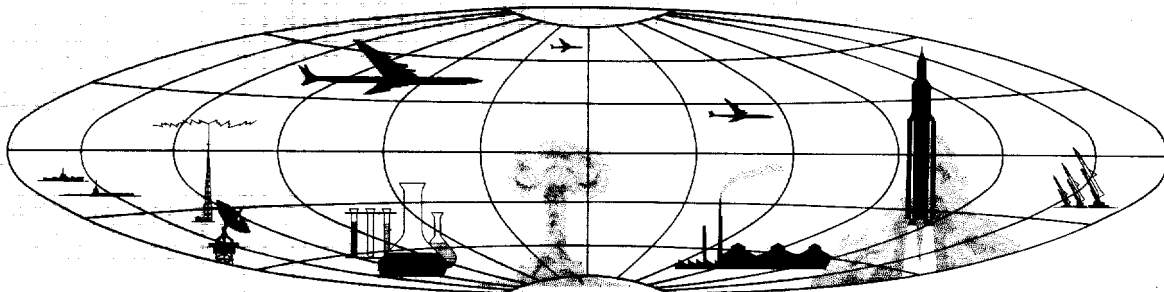


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This report presents information, in chart form, on the construction timing of deployed Soviet MRBM launch sites as determined from KEYHOLE 25X1D photography. [REDACTED]

25X1D [REDACTED] No deployed Soviet MRBM launch sites have been identified on TALENT or earlier photo coverage. 25X1D

25X1D The first MRBM launch sites were observed on KEYHOLE photography of [REDACTED] in the Soviet Far East. In the subsequent 20 months, a total of 132 MRBM launch sites (528 pads) have been identified including 3 possible, 3 probable, and 126 confirmed sites.

The estimated time necessary to complete the physical layout of a MRBM launch site, including the road network, ready buildings, launch pads, and support/housing facilities, is 6 months. This estimate is based on an average of the construction periods of 20 selected MRBM launch sites as determined from photography (see chart). The estimated status of MRBM sites is based only on the stage of construction of launch pads, ready buildings, road network, and support/housing facilities and does not refer to the operational status of the site.

The complex and site names used in this report conform to those listed in the TDI and received at NPIC as [REDACTED]

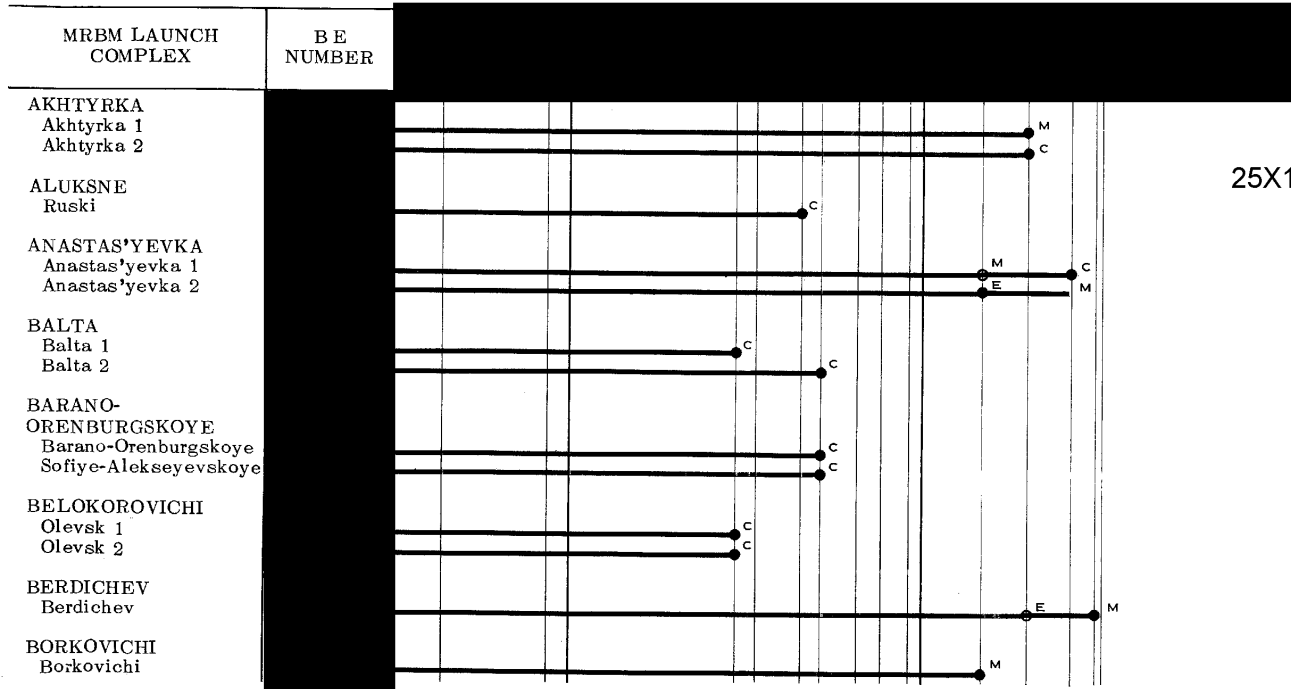
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- Time span during which photography permits negation.
- Time span during which site existed but was not identified.
- Time span during which site construction apparently started (no usable photography available).
- Time span during which site construction was in progress from photography.
- First appearance on available photography.
- Date when NPIC identified the launch site.

- Stage of Construction
- E Early -- Access road, site road pattern, and support/housing facilities under construction or complete.
 - M Mid -- Site road pattern and support/housing facilities complete. Ready buildings under construction and pad areas being cleared.
 - C Late or complete -- Launch pads, ready buildings, site road pattern, and support/housing facilities complete.
 - U Undetermined -- Quality of photography precludes determination of state of construction.

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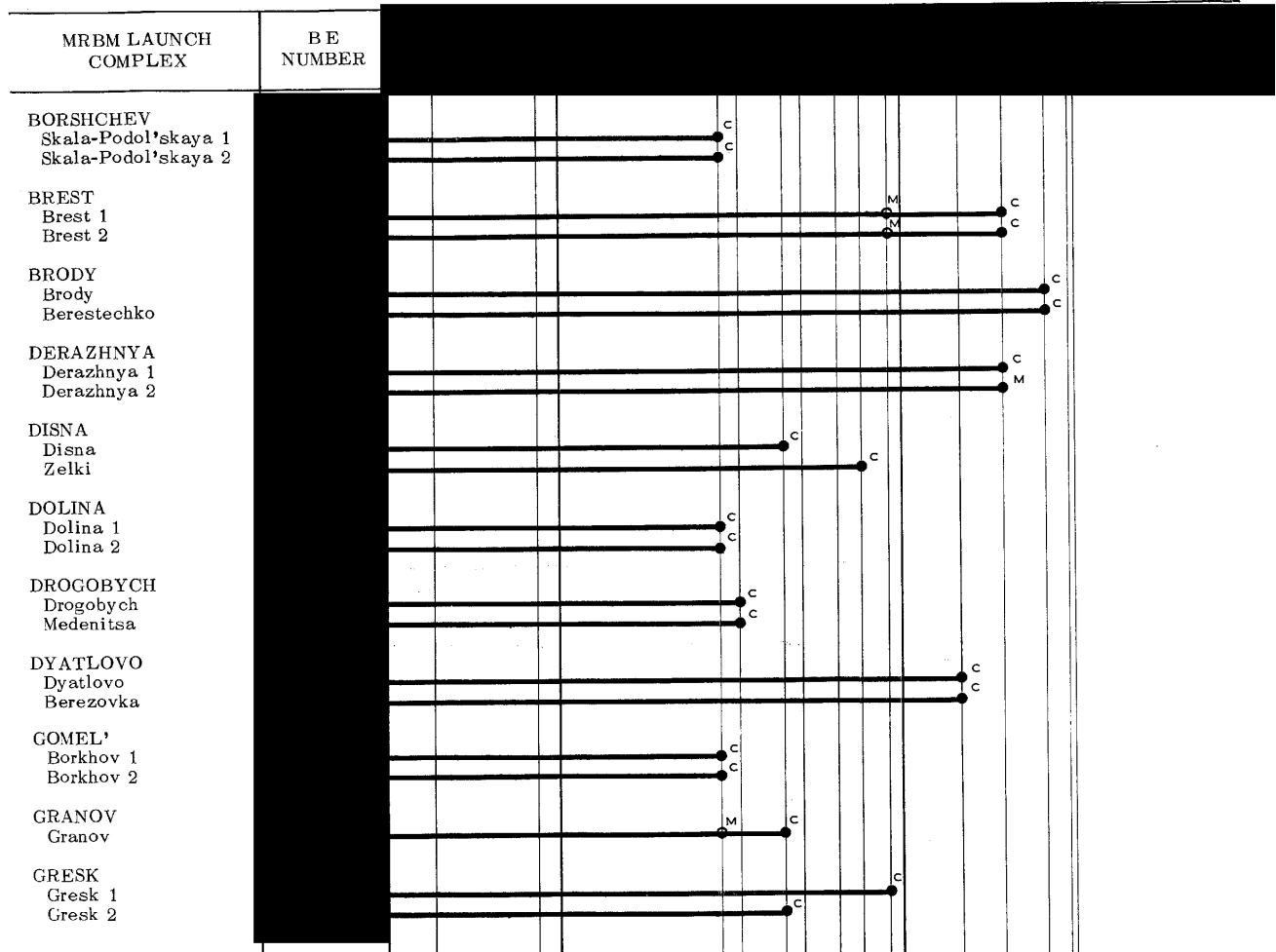
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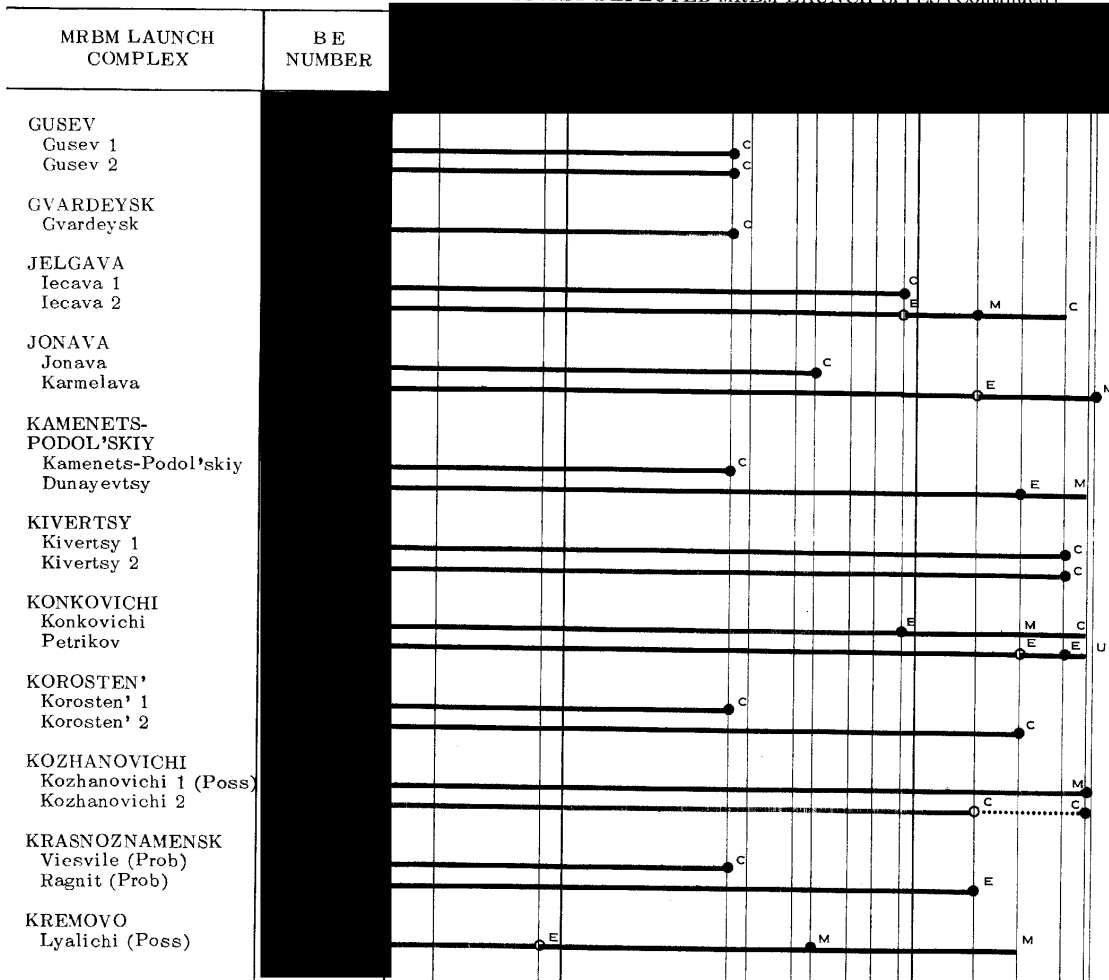
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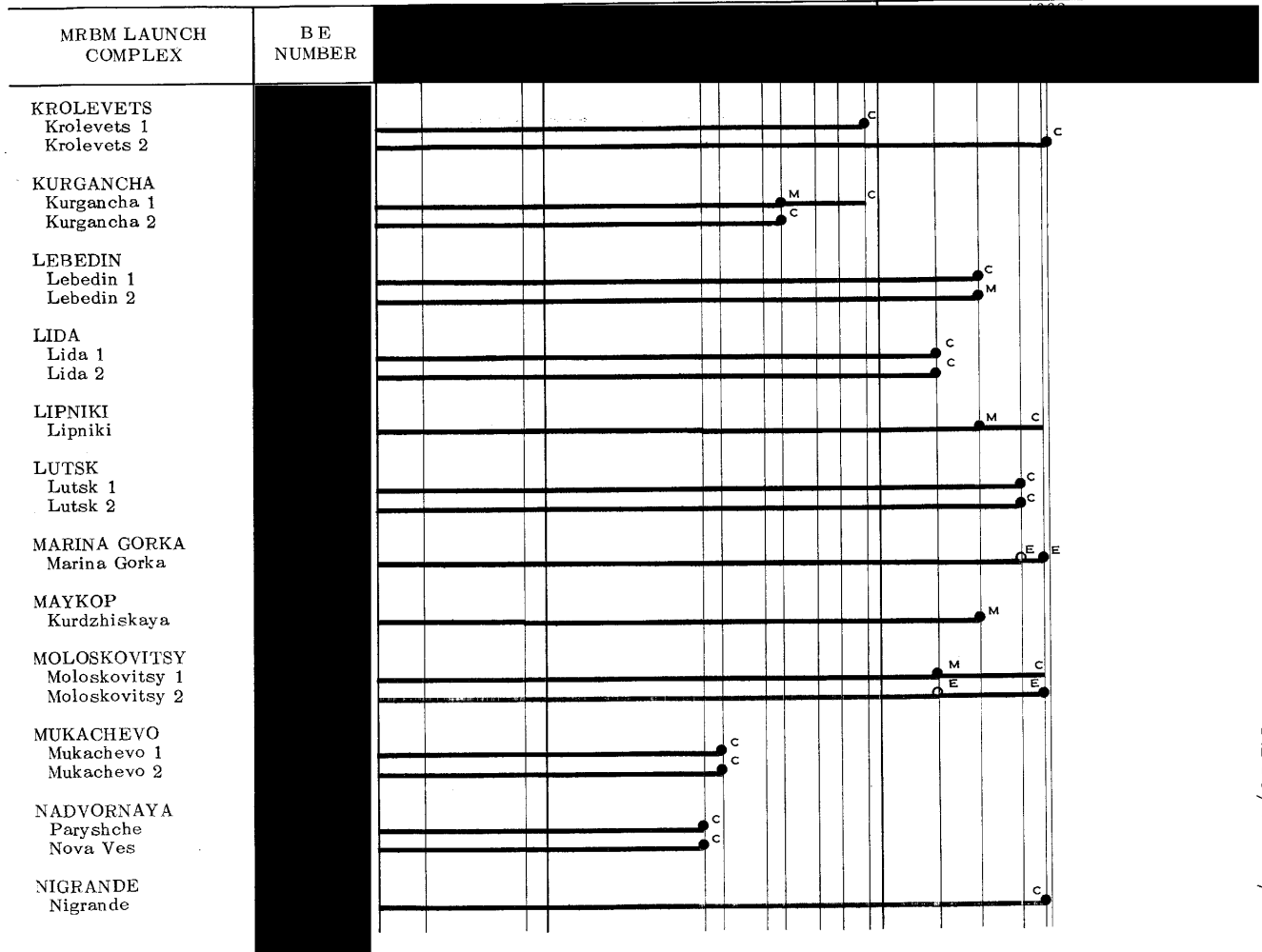
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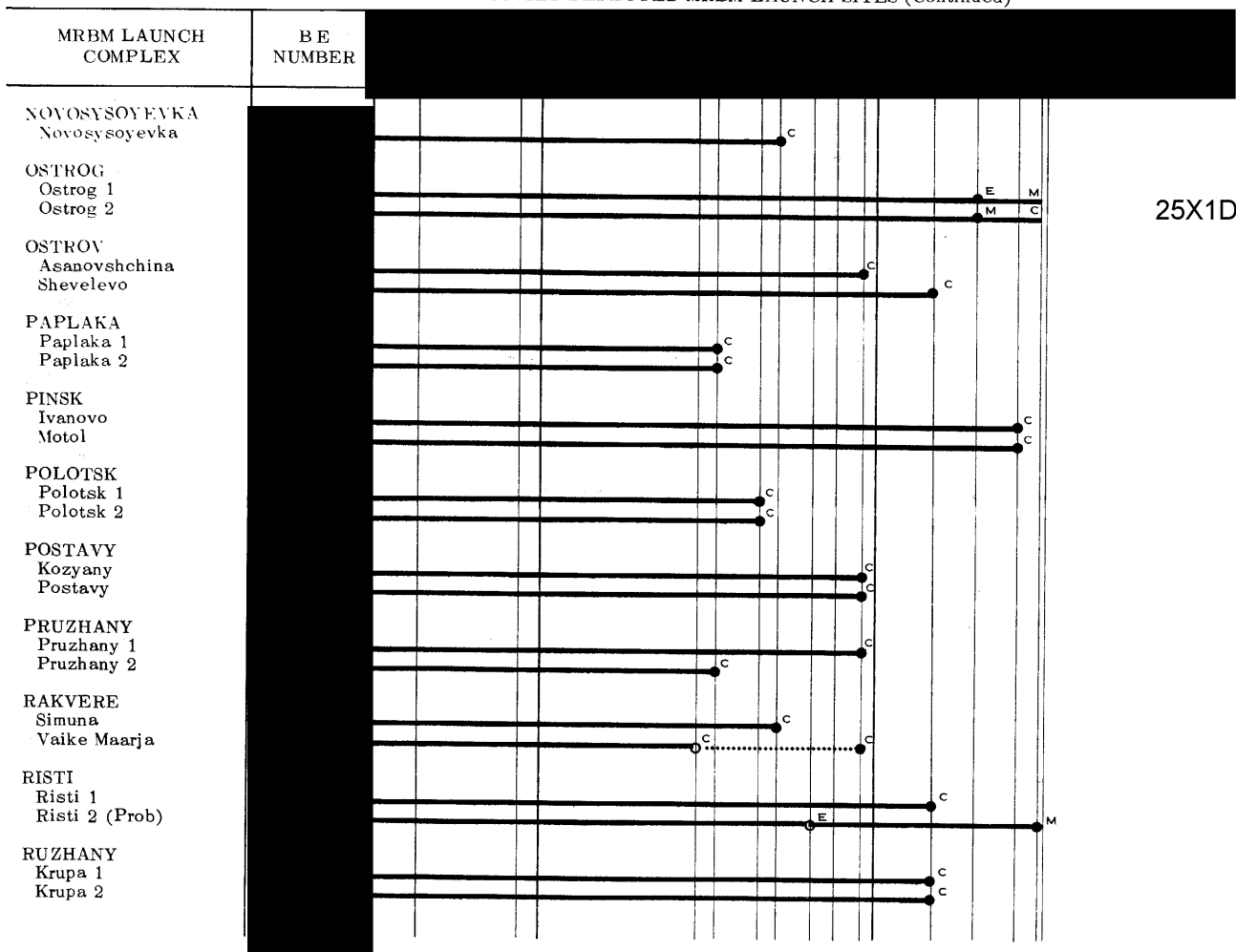


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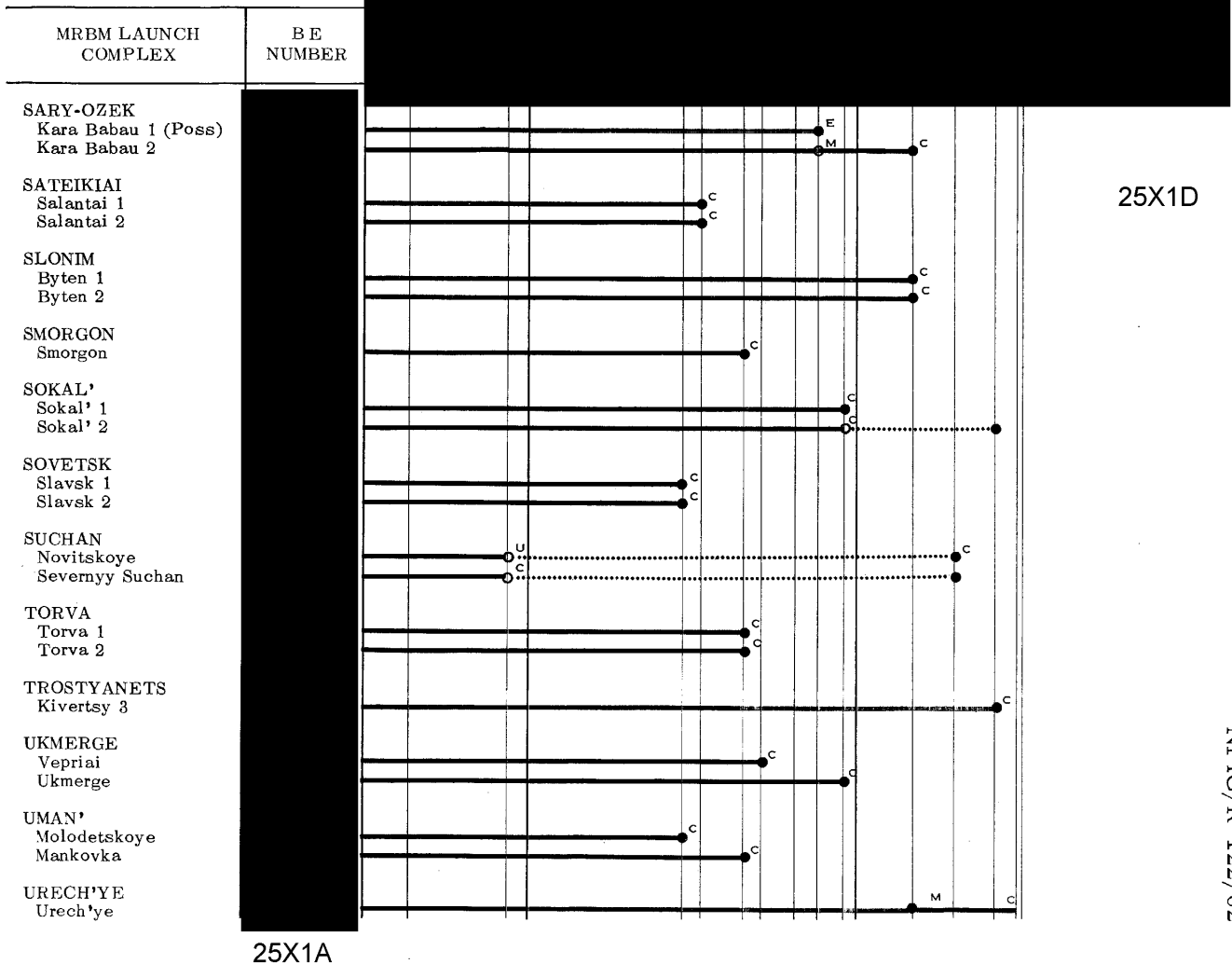
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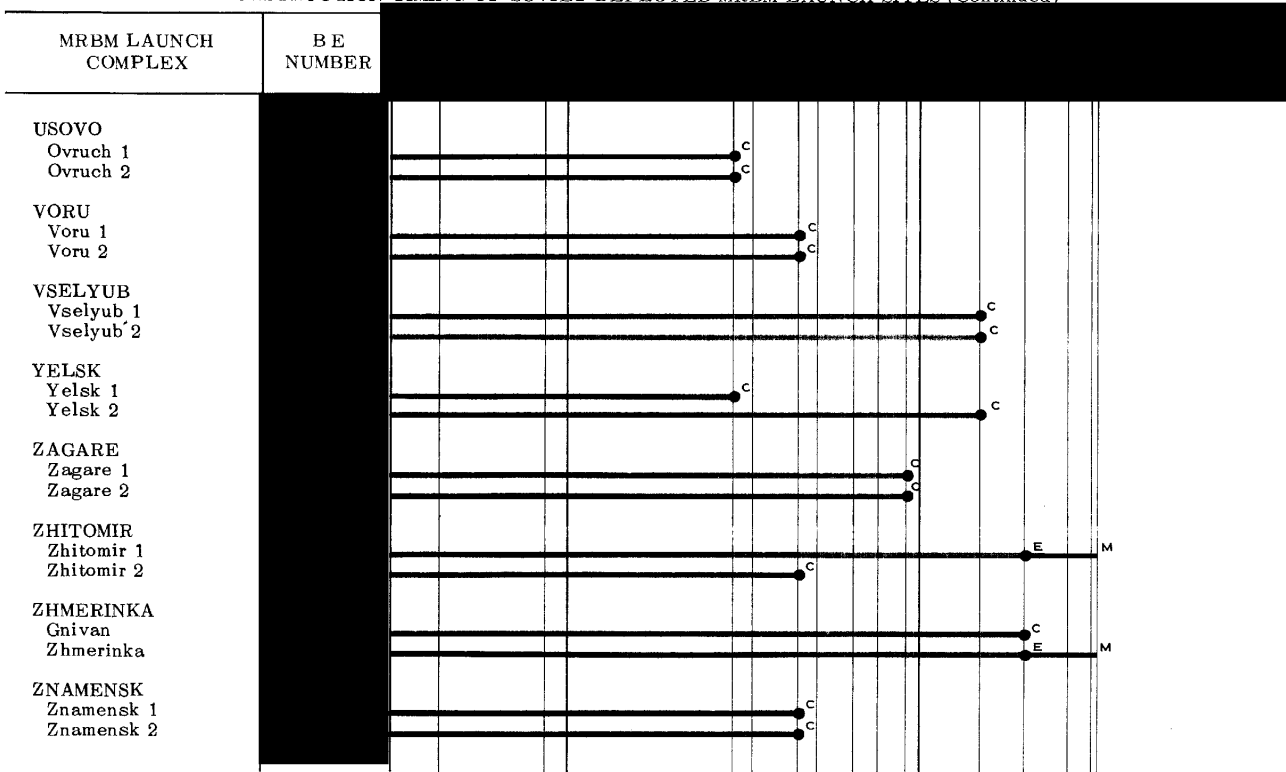
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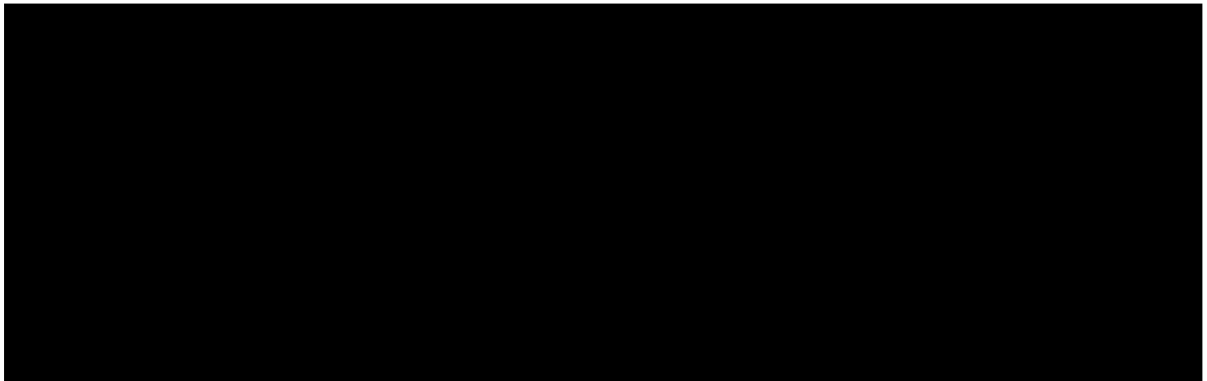
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