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BRASS KNOB MISSION 3503
20 MARCH 1963



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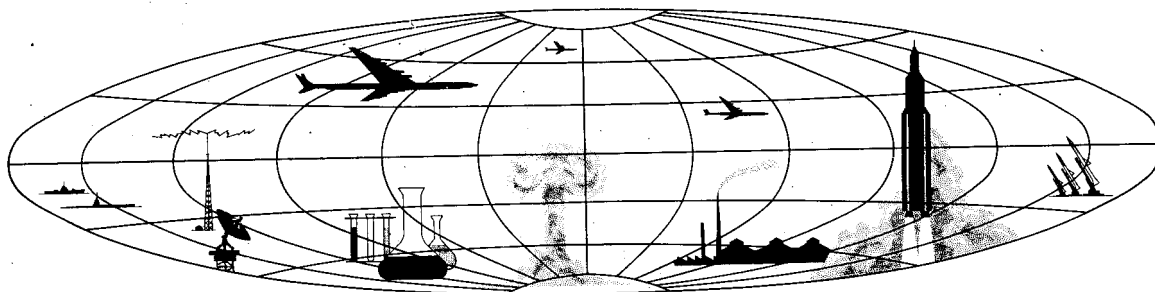


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IMMEDIATE PHOTOGRAPHIC INTERPRETATION REPORT

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION REPRESENTS A PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS OF AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY FROM BRASS KNOB MISSION 3503, DATED 20 MARCH 1963. THE NUMBER APPEARING AT THE END OF THE HEADER LINE IS THE COMOR TARGET NUMBER.

-MISSILES-

25X1A

MARIEL SAM SITE 2300N 08249W

25X1D SITE APPEARS OCCUPIED.
POOR IMAGE QUALITY PRECLUDES FURTHER INTERPRETATION.



HAVANA SAM SITE 2309N 08213W

SITE APPEARS OCCUPIED.
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25X1D

CAIBARIEN SAM SITE 2228N 07929W

SITE CONTAINS 6 CANVAS-COVERED LAUNCHERS, ONE CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE TRANSPORTER, A CANVAS-COVERED HOLD POSITION, AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA.



25X1D

25X1A

SANTIAGO DE LAS VEGAS SAM ASSEMBLY AREA 2257N 08221W

TWENTY-THREE CANVAS-COVERED PROBABLE MISSILE TRANSPORTERS AND NUMEROUS MISSILE CANISTERS OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.



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25X1A

MANAGUA SAM SITE 2259N 08215W

SITE APPEARS COMPLETE.
NO MISSILE EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.
TEN VEHICLES IN AREA.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

GUERRA POSSIBLE CRUISE-MISSILE SITE 2300N 08250W

NUMEROUS VEHICLES AT SITE.
POOR IMAGE QUALITY PRECLUDES FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

-AIRFIELDS-

CAMILO CIENFUEGOS AIRFIELD 2229N 07955W

AIRCRAFT -- 12 FAGOT/FRESCO.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

HOLGUIN AIRFIELD 2048N 07618W

AIRCRAFT -- 5 FAGOT/FRESCO VISIBLE IN
CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

SAN ANTONIO DE LOS BANOS AIRFIELD 2252N 08231W

AIRCRAFT -- 5 FAGOT/FRESCO OBSERVED IN
CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

CAMPO LIBERTAD AIRFIELD 2306N 08226W

AIRCRAFT -- 2 C-47, ONE CRATE, 7 COLT, ONE PBY,
AND 19 LIAISON/TRAINER-TYPE.
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[REDACTED]

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MARIEL NAVAL AIR STATION 2300N 08246W

NO AIRCRAFT OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

[REDACTED]

25X1D

PLAYA BARACOA AIRFIELD 2302N 08235W

AIRCRAFT -- 13 HOUND, ONE HARE, ONE C-47, AND ONE CRATE OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

[REDACTED]

25X1D

MANAGUA AIRFIELD 2258N 08217W

NO AIRCRAFT OBSERVED.

[REDACTED]

25X1D

-PORTS-

MARIEL PORT 2301N 08245W

TWO PF VISIBLE IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

[REDACTED]

25X1D

SURGIDERO DE BATABANO PORT 2241N 08218W

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

[REDACTED]

25X1D

HAVANA PORT 2308N 08221W

VESSELS -- 17 FREIGHTERS, 2 TANKERS, 2 KRONSTADT-CLASS PC, ONE PF, 5 TRAWLERS, 8 COASTAL FREIGHTERS, 4 PT (ONE ON MARINE RAILWAY), AND ONE COASTAL TANKER. THE [REDACTED] OBSERVED HEADING WEST APPROXIMATELY 3 NM OFF SHORE AND APPROXIMATELY 10 NM EAST OF HAVANA PORT.

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CABANAS PORT 2259N 08256W

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.



-MILITARY ACTIVITY-

25X1D

LA FLORA AREA, MILITARY STORAGE 2252N 08233W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.
APPROXIMATELY 30 VEHICLES OBSERVED IN AREA.



25X1D

REMEDIOS AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2227N 07934W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN COUNT OR DEPLOYMENT OF TENTS
OR VEHICLES/PIECES OF EQUIPMENT. CLOUD SHADOW AND
POOR IMAGE QUALITY PRECLUDE FURTHER INTERPRETATION.



25X1D

25X1A

MANAGUA, MILITARY CAMP 2258N 08217W

TWENTY LOWBOY TRAILERS WITH PRIME MOVERS AND
APPROXIMATELY 300 VEHICLES (9 TOWING FA PIECES)
IN CAMP.



25X1D

NAZARENO, MILITARY AREA 2258N 08214W

EIGHT VEHICLES OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.



25X1D

BAJURAYABO AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2308N 08210W

TWENTY-NINE VEHICLES (25 TOWING FA PIECES) IN CAMP.

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[REDACTED] 25X1D

25X1A

GUANABACOA, MILITARY AREA 2307N 08215W

TWENTY-TWO FA PIECES OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

LOMA DE TIERRA, MILITARY CAMP 2301N 08213W

EIGHT LOWBOY TRAILERS AND APPROXIMATELY 133 VEHICLES IN CAMP.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

HAVANA AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2301N 08218W

AREA 1 -- 14 TANKS/SP GUNS AND 3 VEHICLES.
AREA 2 -- 9 VEHICLES.
AREA 3 -- CLOUD-COVERED.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

-MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITY-

BEJUCAL, MUNITIONS STORAGE SITES 2256N 08223W

FIFTY VEHICLES OBSERVED IN HEADQUARTERS AREA.
NO VEHICLES OBSERVED IN STORAGE AREAS.

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-STATUS OF OTHER TARGETS-

THE FOLLOWING TARGETS SHOW NO CHANGE SINCE
LAST COVERAGE --

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SAN CRISTOBAL MRBM SITE 3
REMEDIOS IRBM SITE
SAN CRISTOBAL MRBM SITE 4
GUANAJAY IRBM SITE 2
TAPASTE AREA, STORAGE SITES
CAMPO FLORIDA CRUISE-MISSILE SITE
CABANAS AREA, MILITARY CAMP
MINAS, AMMUNITION STORAGE AREA
HAVANA, AMMUNITION STORAGE AREA
SAN JOSE DE LAS LAJAS AREA, MILITARY CAMP

2242N 08308W
2225N 07935W
2246N 08258W
2257N 08236W
2303N 08207W
2306N 08211W
2256N 08252W
2307N 08212W
2301N 08226W
2255N 08210W

25X1D

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[REDACTED]

PURIO, MILITARY AREA
SPECIAL AREA HOTEL
SPECIAL AREA BRAVO BLUE
SPECIAL AREA BRAVO RED
SPECIAL AREA VICTOR
SPECIAL AREA TANGO
TARARA LANDING BEACH
SAN FRANCISCO DE PAULA, MUNITIONS STORAGE SITE
MANAGUA, MUNITIONS STORAGE SITE

2233N 07952W
2301N 08246W
2250N 08233W
2254N 08231W
2300N 08234W
2258N 08244W
2310N 08212W
2303N 08218W
2258N 08218W

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[REDACTED]

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THE FOLLOWING TARGETS COULD BE IDENTIFIED BUT
NOT INTERPRETED --

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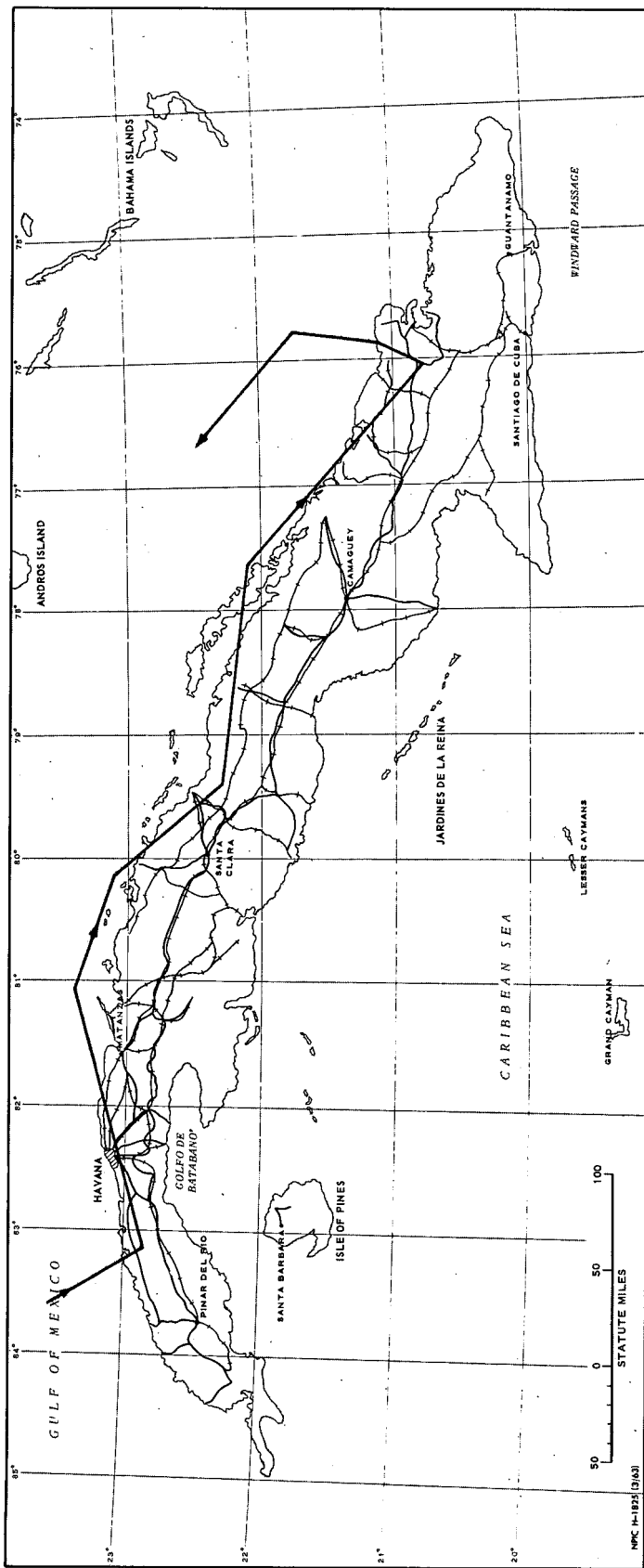
JOSE MARTI INTERNATIONAL AIRFIELD
LA BOCA, MILITARY CAMP
HOLGUIN AREA, MILITARY CAMP
SANTIAGO DE LAS VEGAS AREA, MILITARY CAMP
TORRENS, MILITARY COMPLEX
CAMPO FLORIDA, MILITARY CAMP
LA BOCA, INDUSTRIAL CONSTRUCTION

2300N 08224W
2301N 08242W
2053N 07614W
2258N 08220W
2259N 08228W
2307N 08206W
2301N 08245W

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