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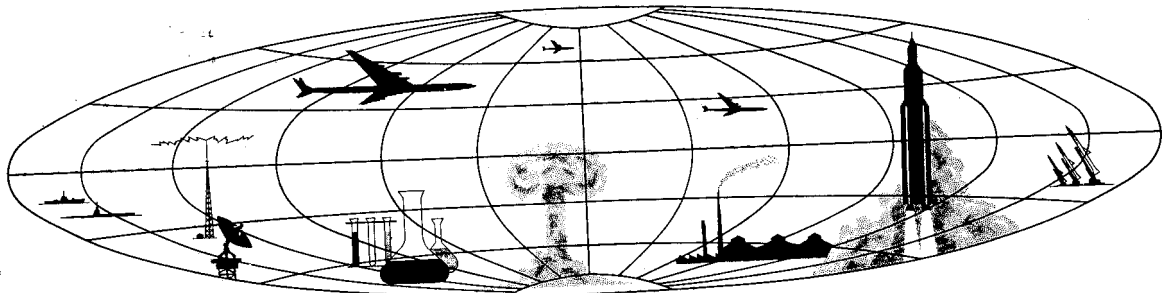


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THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION REPRESENTS A PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS OF AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY FROM BRASS KNOB MISSION 3537, DATED 6 APRIL 1963. THE NUMBER APPEARING AT THE END OF THE HEADER LINE IS THE COMOR TARGET NUMBER.

-MISSILES-

25X1A

TAPASTE AREA, STORAGE SITES 2303N 08207W

CONSTRUCTION CONTINUES. NO VEHICLES OBSERVED.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

MARIEL SAM SITE 2300N 08249W

SITE CONTAINS 6 LAUNCHERS WITH MISSILES, 4 CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

BAHIA HONDA SAM SITE 2257N 8317W

SITE ABANDONED. NO ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

HAVANA SAM SITE 2309N 08213W

SITE CONTAINS 6 LAUNCHERS (4 CANVAS-COVERED), CANVAS-COVERED HOLD AREA, AND A CANVAS-COVERED, OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA.

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CAIBARIEN SAM SITE 2228N 07929W

SITE CONTAINS 6 CANVAS-COVERED LAUNCHERS, 6
CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE TRANSPORTERS IN HOLD AREA, 5
MISSILE TRANSPORTERS ADJACENT TO HOLD AREA, AND A
CANVAS-COVERED RADAR.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

LOS ANGELES SAM SITE 2100N 7541W

SITE CONTAINS 6 UNRETTED LAUNCHERS, 7 CANVAS-COVERED
MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

25X1A

SANTIAGO DE LAS VEGAS SAM ASSEMBLY AREA 2257N 08221W

APPROXIMATELY 25 CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE TRANSPORTERS
VISIBLE.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

MANAGUA SAM SITE 2259N 08215W

SITE APPEARS COMPLETE.
NO MISSILE EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

SANTA CRUZ DEL NORTE CRUISE-MISSILE SITE 2309N 08156W

TWO RETTTED CANVAS-COVERED LAUNCHERS, A
CANVAS-COVERED GUIDANCE REVETMENT, AND SEVERAL
VEHICLES OBSERVED.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

CAMPO FLORIDA CRUISE-MISSILE SITE 2306N 08211W

SITE CONTAINS 2 LAUNCHERS, 10 CANVAS-COVERED
CRUISE-MISSILE CRATES, 4 COVERED TRANSPORTERS,
AND 10 CANVAS-COVERED PROBABLE PRIME MOVERS.

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GUERRA POSSIBLE CRUISE-MISSILE SITE 2300N 08250W
46 CRUISE-MISSILE-TYPE CRATES AND APPROXIMATELY 100
VEHICLES (INCLUDING 12 PROBABLE PRIME MOVERS)
OBSERVED.

[REDACTED]

25X1D

-AIRFIELDS-

HOLGUIN AIRFIELD 2048N 07618W

AIRCRAFT -- 7 PROBABLE FAGOT/FRESCO AND ONE
LIAISON-TYPE VISIBLE.

[REDACTED]

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SAN ANTONIO DE LOS BANOS AIRFIELD 2252N 08231W

AIRCRAFT -- 36 FISHBED, 4 FARMER, 17 FAGOT/FRESCO, 10
B-26, ONE T-6, AND 6 UNIDENTIFIED SINGLE-ENGINE.

[REDACTED]

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JOSE MARTI INTERNATIONAL AIRFIELD 2300N 08224W

AIRCRAFT -- ONE LODESTAR, 3 CONSTELLATION, 2
BRITANNIA, ONE C-46, 3 C-54, ONE B-26, ONE COOT, AND 4
CAB.

[REDACTED]

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CAMPO LIBERTAD AIRFIELD 2306N 08226W

AIRCRAFT -- 8 COLT, 2 CAB, 3 CRATE, ONE PBY, AND 48
LIAISON.

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MARIEL NAVAL AIR STATION 2300N 08246W

NO AIRCRAFT OBSERVED.
APPROXIMATELY 60 VEHICLES ON EAST END OF RUNWAY.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

PLAYA BARACOA AIRFIELD 2302N 08235W

AIRCRAFT -- 67 HOUND, 4 HARE, 2 BELL HELICOPTERS,
AND ONE CAB.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

MANAGUA AIRFIELD 2258N 08217W

NO AIRCRAFT OBSERVED.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

-PORTS-

MARIEL PORT 2301N 08245W

VESSELS -- ONE PF, ONE PC, ONE PROBABLE PC, AND 11
KOMAR-CLASS PGMG.
NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

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BANES PORT 2055N 07542W

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

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CAIBARIEN PORT 2232N 07928W

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

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HAVANA PORT 2308N 08221W

VESSELS -- 26 LARGE FREIGHTERS, 2 PROBABLE TANKERS
(ONE HEADED FOR PORT AND ONE AWAY FROM PORT), 7 PT,
2 PC, ONE PF, 8 COASTAL FREIGHTERS, AND NUMEROUS SMALL
CRAFT.



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CABANAS PORT 2259N 08256W

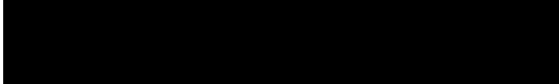
VESSELS -- ONE LARGE FREIGHTER ANCHORED IN HARBOR.
NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.



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BAHIA HONDA PORT 2255N 08311W

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.



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-ELECTRONICS-

HAVANA AREA, COMMUNICATIONS CENTER 2300N 08226W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.
APPROXIMATELY 15 VEHICLES/VANS OBSERVED.



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-MILITARY ACTIVITY-

ARTEMISA, MILITARY CAMP 2251N 08248W

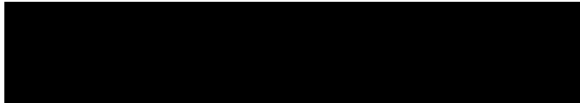
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INTERPRETATION. HOWEVER, THERE IS NO APPARENT CHANGE IN COUNT OR DEPLOYMENT OF TENTS, VEHICLES, OR PIECES OF EQUIPMENT.



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LA BOCA, MILITARY CAMP 2301N 08242W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES,
TWENTY-FIVE VEHICLES OBSERVED.



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BAHIA HONDA, MILITARY CAMP 2258N 08311W

ELECTRONICS SITE CONTAINING 6 BARRACKS, ONE T-SHAPED BUILDING, AT LEAST 3 COMMO VANS, AND POSSIBLE FLATFACE AND SPOONREST RADARS, REVETTED AND IN THE OPEN.



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EL JUCARO, MILITARY AREA 2051N 07543W

TWELVE STORAGE-TYPE BUILDINGS,
NO MILITARY ACTIVITY, VEHICLES, OR TENTS OBSERVED.



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REMEDIOS AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2227N 07934W

SCATTERED CLOUDS, POOR IMAGE QUALITY, AND A GAP IN PHOTO COVERAGE PRECLUDE A DETAILED INTERPRETATION. HOWEVER, IT IS EVIDENT THAT 4 TANKS/SP GUNS ARE MISSING FROM THEIR FORMER POSITIONS -- LEAVING A TOTAL OF 31 TANKS/SP GUNS IN THE MOTOR PARK.



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SANTIAGO DE LAS VEGAS AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2258N 08220W

POOR IMAGE QUALITY PRECLUDES A DETAILED



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INTERPRETATION. HOWEVER, THERE IS NO APPARENT CHANGE IN COUNT OR DEPLOYMENT OF TENTS, VEHICLES, OR PIECES OF EQUIPMENT.



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SAN JOSE DE LAS LAJAS AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2255N 08210W



NO CHANGE IN FACILITIES.
ONE COLUMN OF TROOPS (MARCHING FORMATION) LEAVING CAMP
AND ONE TRUCK WITH TRAILER ENTERING CAMP.



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TORRENS, MILITARY COMPLEX 2259N 08228W



POOR IMAGE QUALITY AND OBLIQUITY PRECLUDE A DETAILED INTERPRETATION. HOWEVER, THERE IS NO APPARENT CHANGE IN THE COUNT OR DEPLOYMENT OF TENTS, VEHICLES, OR PIECES OF EQUIPMENT.



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SANTA CLARA AREA, MILITARY ACTIVITY 2221N 07957W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.
SEVEN CANVAS-COVERED POSSIBLE TANKS/SP GUNS VISIBLE



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MANAGUA, MILITARY CAMP 2258N 08217W

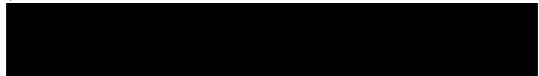
NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES OR VEHICLE COUNT.



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PURIO, MILITARY AREA 2233N 7952W

NO MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.



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GUANABO AREA, MILITARY AREA 2311N 08203W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.
NO VEHICLES OBSERVED.

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BAJURAYABO AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2308N 08210W

APPROXIMATELY 20 VEHICLES, 6 FA PIECES AND 7
PROBABLE FA PIECES OBSERVED.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

GUANABACOA, MILITARY AREA 2307N 08215W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN EAST OR WEST AREA.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

LOMA DE TIERRA, MILITARY CAMP 2301N 08213W

SITE CONTAINS 3 LOWBOY TRAILERS AND NUMEROUS VEHICLES.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

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HAVANA AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2301N 08218W

AREA 1 -- 14 PROBABLE TANKS/SP GUNS VISIBLE.
AREA 2 -- 6 VEHICLES.
AREA 3 -- IDENTIFICATION ONLY.
AREA 4 -- NO APPARENT CHANGE.

[REDACTED] 25X1D

SPECIAL AREA TANGO 2258N 08244W

APPROXIMATELY 7 TANKS/SP GUNS AND 40 OTHER VEHICLES
OBSERVED AT GUANAJAY MILITARY CAMP.

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-MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITY-

25X1A

BEJUCAL, MUNITIONS STORAGE SITES 2256N 08223W



NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.
HEADQUARTERS AREA CONTAINS APPROXIMATELY 25 VEHICLES.



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SANTA CLARA AREA, MILITARY INSTALLATION 2224N 07953W

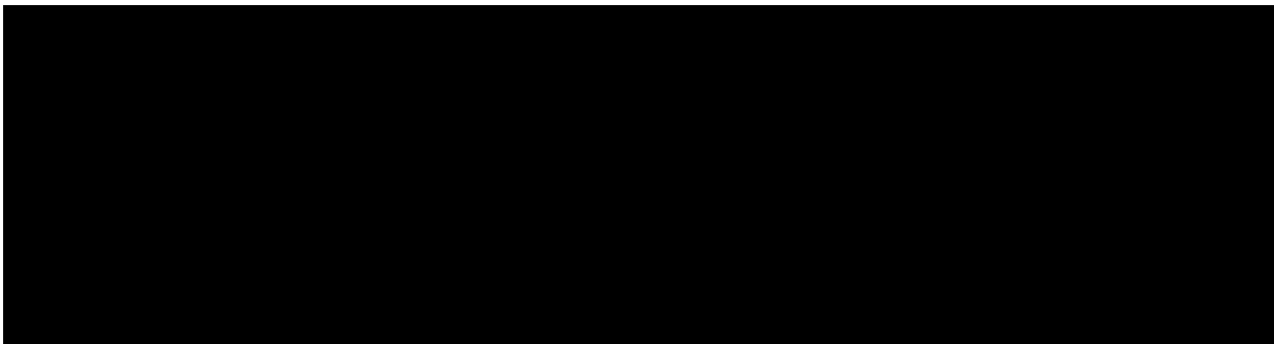


NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.
NO VEHICLES VISIBLE.

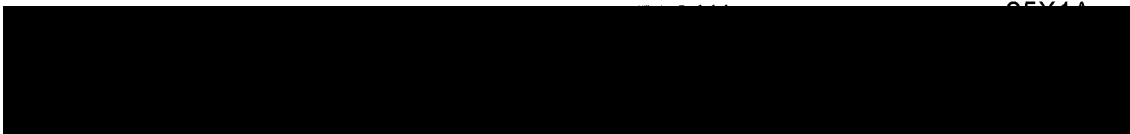


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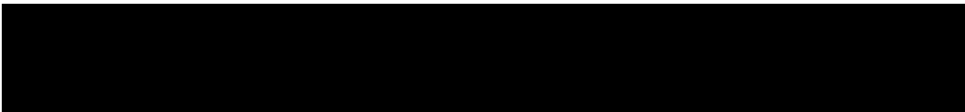


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-STATUS OF OTHER TARGETS-

THE FOLLOWING TARGETS SHOW NO CHANGE SINCE
LAST COVERAGE --

- GUANAJAY IRBM SITE 1
- SAGUA LA GRANDE MRBM SITE 1
- SAGUA LA GRANDE MRBM SITE 2
- REMEDIOS IRBM SITE
- SAN CRISTOBAL MRBM SITE 4
- GUANAJAY IRBM SITE 2
- LA FLORA AREA, MILITARY STORAGE
- CABANAS AREA, MILITARY CAMP
- MINAS, AMMUNITION STORAGE AREA
- HAVANA, AMMUNITION STORAGE AREA
- CAMPO FLORIDA, MILITARY CAMP
- SPECIAL AREA ALPHA
- SPECIAL AREA HOTEL
- SPECIAL AREA BRAVO BLUE
- SPECIAL AREA BRAVO RED
- SPECIAL AREA VICTOR
- TARARA LANDING BEACH
- NICARO LANDING BEACH
- MANAGUA, MUNITIONS STORAGE SITE
- LA BOCA, INDUSTRIAL CONSTRUCTION

- 2257N 08239W
- 2243N 08001W
- 2239N 07951W
- 2225N 07935W
- 2246N 08258W
- 2257N 08236W
- 2252N 08233W
- 2256N 08252W
- 2307N 08212W
- 2301N 08226W
- 2307N 08206W
- 2258N 08227W
- 2301N 08246W
- 2250N 08233W
- 2254N 08231W
- 2300N 08234W
- 2310N 08212W
- 2042N 07533W
- 2258N 08218W
- 2301N 08245W

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THE FOLLOWING TARGETS COULD BE IDENTIFIED BUT
NOT INTERPRETED --

- BANES CRUISE-MISSILE SITE
- SURGIDERO DE BATABANO PORT

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NAZARENO, MILITARY AREA

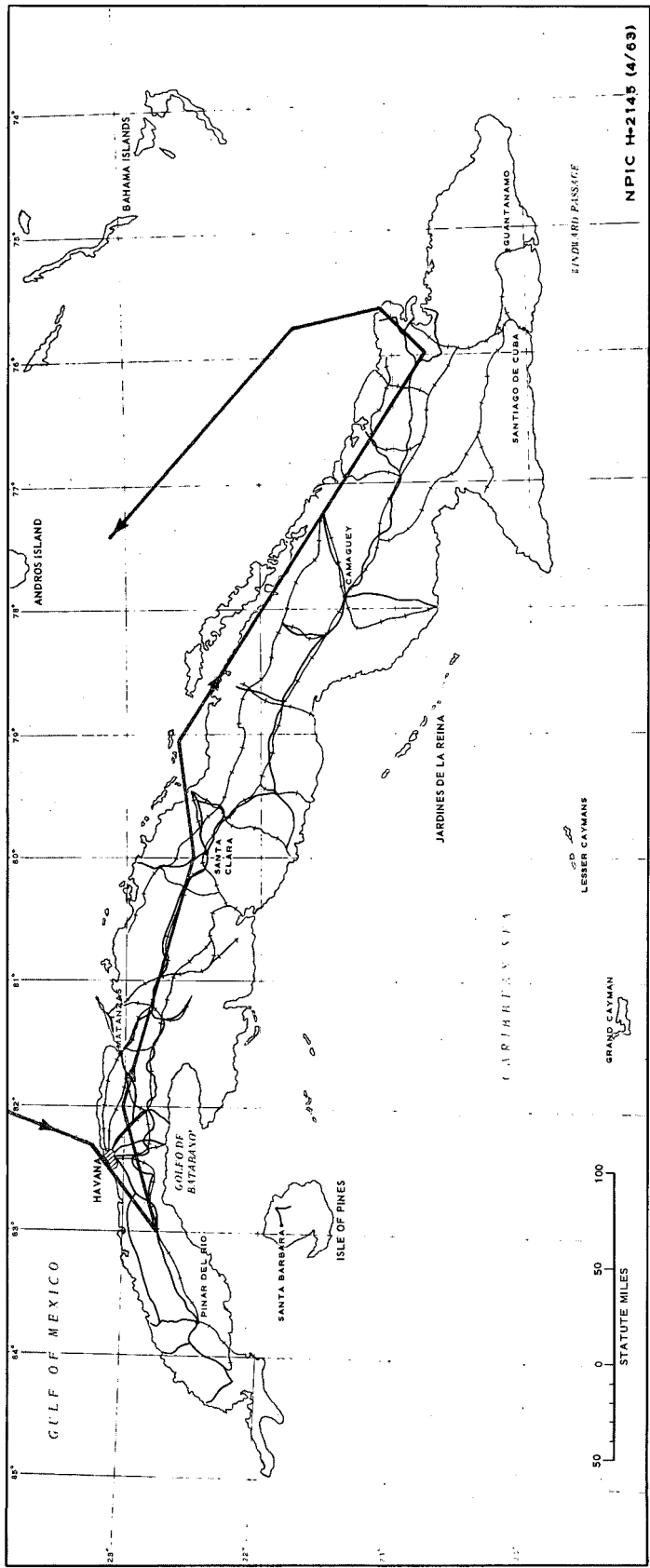
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- 2058N 07538W
- 2241N 08218W
- 2258N 08214W

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APPROXIMATE TRACK OF BRASS KNOB MISSION 3537, 6 APRIL 1963