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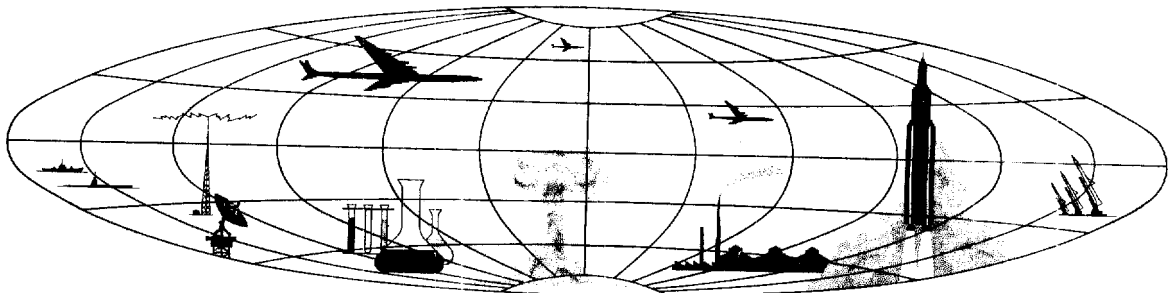


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THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION REPRESENTS A PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS OF AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY FROM BRASS KNOB MISSION 3451, DATED 25 FEBRUARY 1963. THE NUMBER APPEARING AT THE END OF THE HEADER LINE IS THE COMOR TARGET NUMBER.

-MISSILES-

25X1A

SAN CRISTOBAL IRBM SITE 3 2242N 08208W

ARCHED-ROOF BUILDING REMAINS.
NO ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

25X1D

GUANAJAY IRBM SITE 1 2257N 08239W

NO ACTIVITY NOTED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

25X1D

BARTOLOME, SUSPECT SSM ACTIVITY 2226N 07934W

NO MISSILE ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

25X1D

SALAMANCA, SUSPECT SSM ACTIVITY 2227N 07940W

NO MISSILE-RELATED ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

25X1D

MARIEL SAM SITE 2300N 08249W

SIX REVETTED LAUNCHERS, OCCUPIED GUIDANCE REVETMENT,
AND 3 MISSILE TRANSPORTERS VISIBLE.

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BAHIA HONDA SAM SITE 2257N 08317W

25X1D THREE LAUNCHERS AND OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA VISIBLE.



HAVANA SAM SITE 2309N 08213W

25X1D SITE CONTAINS 6 LAUNCHERS, HOLD AREA, AND GUIDANCE RADAR -- ALL CANVAS COVERED.



LOMA DE TIERRA, MILITARY CAMP 2301N 08213W

25X1D NO APPARENT CHANGE.



MANAGUA SAM SITE 2259N 08215W

25X1D FOUR LARGE, ONE MEDIUM, AND 4 SMALL TENTS OBSERVED. CLOUDS PRECLUDE FURTHER INTERPRETATION.



CAMPO FLORIDA CRUISE-MISSILE SITE 2306N 08211W

25X1D TEN CANVAS-COVERED TRANSPORTERS AND 5 CRUISE-MISSILE CRATES VISIBLE.



GUERRA POSSIBLE CRUISE-MISSILE SITE 2300N 08250W

25X1A

TWO ROWS OF PROBABLE CRUISE-MISSILE CRATES, APPROXIMATELY 12 LARGE CANVAS-COVERED VEHICLES, AND APPROXIMATELY 200 OTHER VARIOUS TYPES OF VEHICLES OBSERVED.

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-AIRFIELDS-

25X1A

HOLGUIN AIRFIELD 2048N 07618W

25X1D

AIRCRAFT -- 3 FAGOT/FRESCO AND ONE LIAISON-TYPE.



SAN ANTONIO DE LOS BANOS AIRFIELD 2252N 08231W

25X1D

AIRCRAFT -- THREE C-47, 14 FAGOT/FRESCO, 3 FARMER, 3 SINGLE-ENGINE, AND ONE CRATE VISIBLE.



JOSE MARTI INTERNATIONAL AIRFIELD 2300N 08224W

25X1D

AIRCRAFT -- ONE CLEAT, 3 C-47, 2 LIAISON TYPE, 4 CONSTELLATION, 4 CRATE, 4 PROBABLE C-54, ONE BRITANNIA AND 4 UNIDENTIFIED AIRCRAFT VISIBLE.



CAMPO LIBERTAD AIRFIELD 2306N 08226W

25X1D

AIRCRAFT -- 9 COLT, APPROXIMATELY 20 PROBABLE LIAISON-TYPE VISIBLE. OBLIQUITY AND CLOUDS PRECLUDE FURTHER INTERPRETATION.



MARIEL NAVAL AIR STATION 2300N 08246W

25X1D

AIRCRAFT -- NONE VISIBLE. CLOUD SHADOW AND POOR IMAGE QUALITY PRECLUDE FURTHER INTERPRETATION.



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PLAYA BARACOA AIRFIELD 2302N 08235W

AIRCRAFT -- 9 HOUND, AND 8 HARE VISIBLE.

25X1D

[REDACTED]

MANAGUA AIRFIELD 2258N 08217W

AIRCRAFT -- NONE VISIBLE.

25X1D

[REDACTED]

-PORTS-

MARIEL PORT 2301N 08245W

25X1D ONE PROBABLE PF, ONE PROBABLE KRONSTADT-CLASS PC, AND 12 KOMAR-CLASS PGMG VISIBLE.

[REDACTED]

HAVANA PORT 2300N 08221W

25X1D

25X1D VESSELS -- 28 LARGE FREIGHTERS INCLUDING THE DOCKED. FIVE LARGE FREIGHTERS INCLUDING THE ANCHORED IN HARBOR. ELEVEN COASTAL FREIGHTERS, 3 PC, ONE PROBABLE PF, AND 6 PT. CLOUDS, CLOUD SHADOW, HAZE, AND OBLIQUITY PRECLUDE FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

[REDACTED]

25X1A

CABANAS PORT 2259N 08256W

25X1D ONE POSSIBLE FREIGHTER.

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BAHIA HONDA PORT 2255N 08311W

25X1D

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

[REDACTED]

PUERTO PADRE PORT 2113N 07632W

25X1D

ONE LARGE UNIDENTIFIED VESSEL OBSERVED. OBLIQUITY PRECLUDES FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

[REDACTED]

-ELECTRONICS-

HAVANA AREA, COMMUNICATIONS CENTER 2300N 08226W

THIRTEEN VANS AND 8 PROBABLE VEHICLES VISIBLE.

[REDACTED]

25X1D

-MILITARY ACTIVITY-

LA FLORA AREA, MILITARY STORAGE 2252N 08233W

25X1D

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.

[REDACTED]

ARTEMISA, MILITARY CAMP 2251N 08248W

25X1D

INCOMPLETE COVERAGE DUE TO HEAVY CLOUDS. ONLY A PORTION OF THE MOTOR PARK IS VISIBLE, AND THERE IS NO APPARENT CHANGE IN THE VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT OBSERVED. POOR IMAGE QUALITY PRECLUDES IDENTIFICATION OF VEHICLES BY TYPE.

[REDACTED]

LA BOCA, MILITARY CAMP 2301N 08242W

25X1D

ELEVEN UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES OBSERVED.
POOR IMAGE QUALITY PRECLUDES FURTHER INTERPRETATION.



BAHIA HONDA, MILITARY CAMP 2258N 08311W

25X1D

NO APPARENT CHANGE.



CABANAS AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2256N 08252W

25X1D

APPROXIMATELY 10 PROBABLE TRUCKS VISIBLE.



HOLGUIN AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2053N 07614W

25X1D

CAMP CONTAINS 61 LARGE, 26 MEDIUM, AND 78 SMALL
TENTS, 40 TANKS/SP GUNS, 4 TRACKED VEHICLES, 16 FA
PIECES, 10 CARGO TRAILERS AND APPROXIMATELY 300
VEHICLES OR PIECES OF EQUIPMENT.
THE 6-GUN AND 9-GUN AAA SITES ARE OCCUPIED.



REMEDIOS AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2227N 07934W

25X1D

CAMP IS 80-TO-90 PERCENT CLOUD COVERED.
THE 6-GUN AAA SITE IS OCCUPIED.
APPROXIMATELY 10 PRIME MOVERS AND 6 VEHICLES VISIBLE.



MINAS, AMMUNITION STORAGE AREA 2307N 08212W

25X1A

ONE CANVAS-COVERED OBJECT IN FRONT OF EACH OF 3 OF THE
BUNKERS.



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HAVANA, AMMUNITION STORAGE AREA 2301N 08226W

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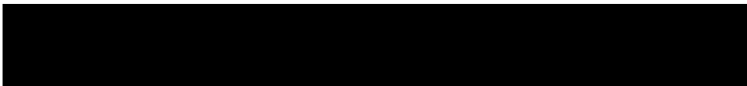
SEVEN EARTH-COVERED BUNKERS VISIBLE.
NO VEHICLES/EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.



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

25X1D

APPROXIMATELY 30 LARGE AND 5 SMALL TENTS, 12 TANKS/SP
GUNS, 3 PROBABLE TRACKED VEHICLES, AND 30 CARGO TRUCKS
ARE OBSERVED.
THE 6-GUN AND 9-GUN AAA SITES ARE OCCUPIED.
ROWS OF VEHICLES AND PIECES OF EQUIPMENT ARE
VISIBLE IN HEAVILY WOODED AREA. SCATTERED CLOUDS
PRECLUDE FURTHER INTERPRETATION.



25X1A

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

25X1D NO APPARENT CHANGE IN CLEAR AREAS.



TORRENS, MILITARY COMPLEX 2259N 08228W

REFORMATORY PROPER -- 15 VEHICLES AND APPROXIMATELY
25 LARGE, 9 MEDIUM, AND 4 SMALL TENTS.
MOTOR PARK AND BILLETING AREA .3 NM TO THE SOUTH --
APPROXIMATELY 230 VEHICLES AND 10 LARGE TENTS,
18 MEDIUM TENTS, AND ONE SMALL TENT.
MOTOR PARK .7 NM SSW OF THE REFORMATORY --
APPROXIMATELY 35 VAN TRUCKS, 80 MISCELLANEOUS
VEHICLES, AND 6 SMALL TENTS.
MOTOR PARK .9 NM SE OF THE REFORMATORY --
APPROXIMATELY 200 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES.
MOTOR PARK 1.2 NM SW OF THE REFORMATORY -- 12
PROBABLE TANKS.
SCATTERED CLOUDS, CLOUD SHADOW, AND HAZE PRECLUDE
INTERPRETATION OF THE BILLETING AREA 1.9 NM SOUTH AND
THE AAA SITE 1.5 NM SSE OF THE REFORMATORY PROPER.

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MANAGUA, MILITARY CAMP 2258N 08217W

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25X1D APPROXIMATELY 300 MISCELLANEOUS VEHICLES OBSERVED
THROUGHOUT CAMP AREA.
HAZE AND CLOUD SHADOW PRECLUDE FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

[REDACTED]

25X1A

CAMPO FLORIDA, MILITARY CAMP 2307N 08206W

25X1D THREE TANKS AND 3 TRUCKS VISIBLE.

[REDACTED]

BAJURAYABO AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2308N 08210W

25X1D SIX VEHICLES AND 7 BARRACKS-TYPE BUILDINGS VISIBLE.
HAZE AND CLOUD SHADOW PRECLUDE FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

[REDACTED]

25X1A

GUANABACOA, MILITARY AREA 2307N 08215W

25X1D NO APPARENT CHANGE IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

[REDACTED]

SPECIAL AREA ALPHA 2258N 08227W

25X1D NO NEW MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

[REDACTED]

SPECIAL AREA HOTEL 2301N 08246W

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[REDACTED]

25X1A

SPECIAL AREA BRAVO BLUE 2250N 08233W

25X1D

NO NEW MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

[REDACTED]

SPECIAL AREA BRAVO RED 2254N 08231W

25X1D

NO NEW MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

[REDACTED]

SPECIAL AREA TANGO 2258N 08244W

25X1D

NO NEW MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

[REDACTED]

TARARA LANDING BEACH 2310N 08212W

25X1D

NO APPARENT CHANGE.

[REDACTED]

HAVANA AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2301N 08218W

25X1D

THREE HARDSTANDS -- ONE WITH 8 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES, ONE WITH 10 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES, AND ONE WITH APPROXIMATELY 6 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES. HAZE AND CLOUD SHADOW PRECLUDE FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

[REDACTED]

-MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITY-

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MANAGUA, MUNITIONS STORAGE SITE 2258N 08218W

THREE UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES OBSERVED WITHIN FENCED AREA.

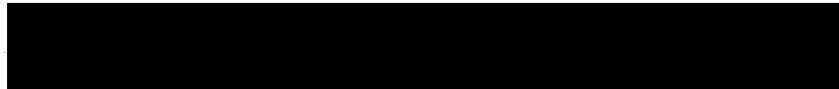
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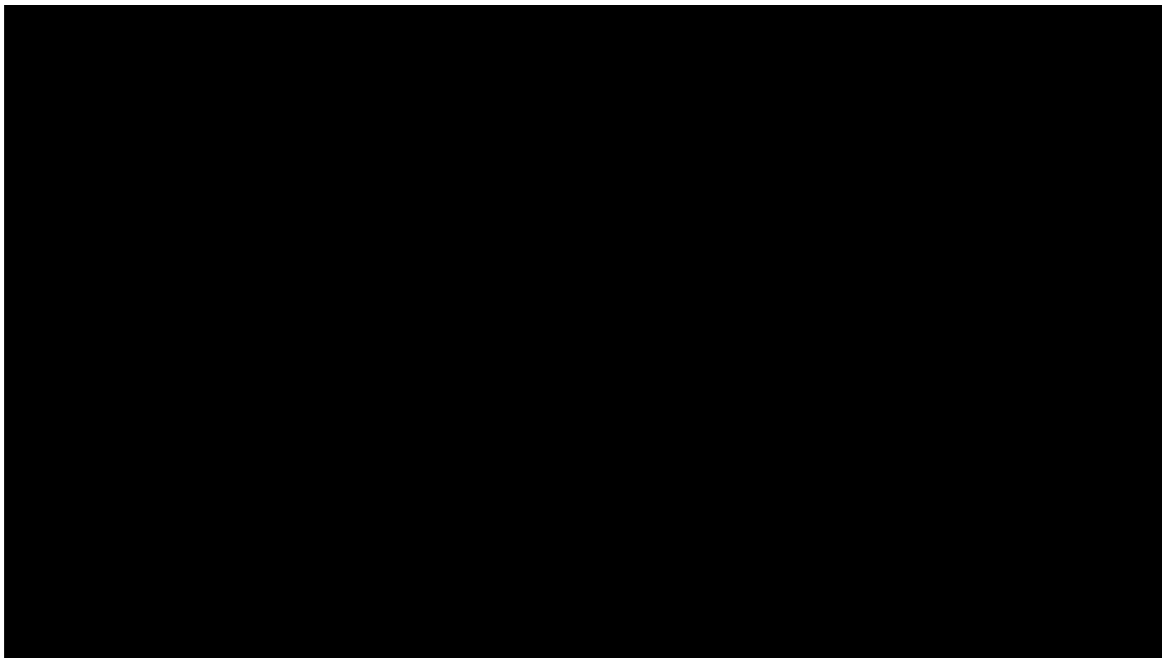


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BEJUCAL, MUNITIONS STORAGE SITES 2256N 08223W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.

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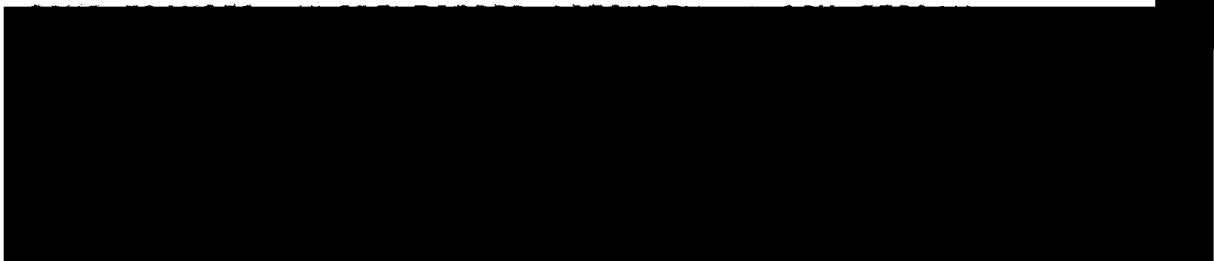
LA BOCA, INDUSTRIAL CONSTRUCTION 2301N 08245W

CONSTRUCTION CONTINUES.

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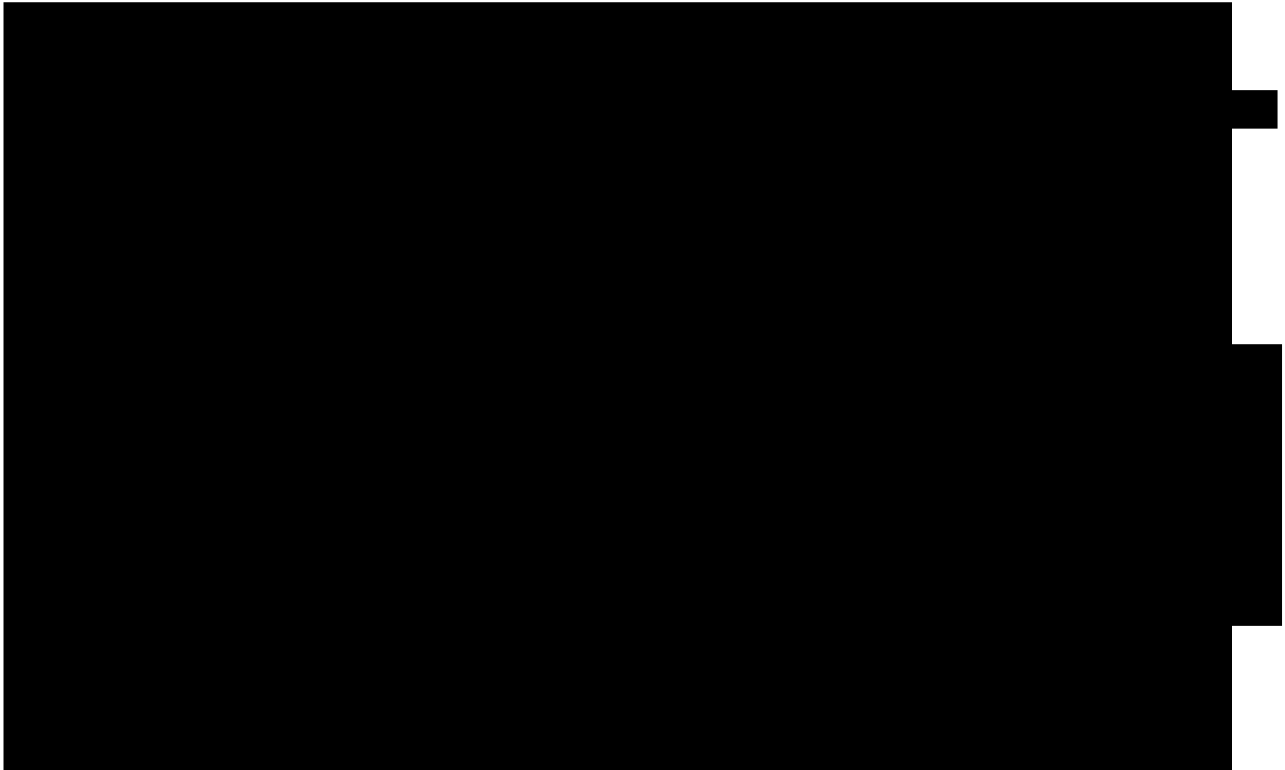
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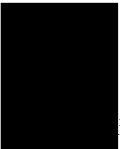


-STATUS OF OTHER TARGETS-

THE FOLLOWING TARGETS COULD BE IDENTIFIED
BUT NOT INTERPRETED --

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REMEDIOS IRBM SITE	2225N 07935W
CHAPARRA SAM SITE	2107N 07626W
SURGIDERO DE BATABANO PORT	2241N 08218W
NAZARENO, MILITARY AREA	2258N 08214W



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