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TYURATAM MISSILE TEST CENTER
PLAN OF
LAUNCH COMPLEX G
AND
LAUNCH GROUPS K, L, AND N

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PREFACE

This report is one of a series prepared under NPIC Project 11055/66 in response to CIA Requirement C-DI5-82,776 requesting detailed line drawings, to scale, of elements of the Tyuratam Missile Test Center. The basic layout contained here in was compiled from photography obtained on [redacted] with additional data from pertinent photography through [redacted]. Individual reports will be updated quarterly upon completion of the series, to reflect changes observed on subsequent photography.

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PLAN OF

LAUNCH COMPLEX G AND LAUNCH GROUPS K, L, AND N

Launch Complex G and Launch Groups K, L, and N are located on the west side of the Tyuratam rangehead (Figure 1). Launch Complex G is the most westerly of the facilities; the launch sites in the launch groups are dispersed north and south of the main rail spur and road extending to Launch Complex G. The facilities at Launch Complex G include a support facility at 46-03N 062-56E, 2 rail-served soft launch areas (G1-G2 and G3-G4), a road-served soft launch area (G5-G6), [REDACTED] a revetted storage area, and an unidentified facility. All of the launch areas at Complex G are complete. The first evidence of construction at this complex was in [REDACTED] when grading activity was apparent at Launch Area G1-G2, along with some ground scarring at the complex support facility. In [REDACTED] there was no evidence of construction of any kind related to the complex.

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Launch Group K consists of 2 launch sites; Launch Site K1-K2 is approximately 5.0 nm east-southeast of Launch Complex G at 46-01N 063-03E, and Launch Site K3 (formerly G7) is just east of Launch Area G1-G2 at 46-04N 062-56E. Launch Site K1-K2 contains 2 Type IIIC single silos spaced approximately 1,100 feet apart, and Launch Site K3 contains a Type IIIC single silo with associated control and electronic facilities. The 3 launch silos which comprise this group are in a midstage of construction. A cable ditch connecting Launch Site K1-K2 with Launch Site K3 has been backfilled. Track activity indicates that Launch Site K1-K2 utilizes the support facilities of Launch Complex F, which is located approximately 1.5 nm to the east, and good road connections to the support facility for Launch Complex G make those facilities also available. Launch Site K3 appears to use the support facilities of Launch Complex G. First evidence of construction of this launch group was [REDACTED] and there was no evidence of construction in [REDACTED]

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Launch Group L is comprised of 10 Type IIID single-silo sites dispersed in that portion of the rangehead between Launch Complexes F and G. The launch group configuration is similar to that seen at many of the deployed complexes, with 6 sites (L2-L7) arranged in a circular pattern around a central site (L1) located at 46-03N 062-59E and 3 additional sites (L8-L10) forming a segment of an outer circle. Launch Site L1, the central site, contains the control facility for Launch Group L. Improved roads extend to the individual launch sites of the group, and cable ditching radiates from Sites L1 and L4 to some of the perimeter sites which, in turn, are interconnected. The cable ditching has been backfilled for the most part. Ditching is difficult to identify and follow because of extensive track activity in the area and, in some instances, the identity of a ditch is doubtful after it has intersected a road, another ditch, or a ground scar. These facts must be considered with regard to the alignments depicted in Figure 1. The first evidence of construction of Launch Group L was in [REDACTED] and there was no evidence of construction in [REDACTED]

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Launch Group N consists of 2 launch sites; Launch Site N1 (formerly K3) is approximately 0.7 nm west-northwest of Launch Site K1-K2 at 46-02N 063-03E, and Launch Site N2-N3 (formerly G8-G9) is approximately midway between Launch Areas G1-G2 and G3-G4 at 46-04N 062-57E. Launch Site N1 contains a Type IIID single silo with associated control and electronic facilities, and Launch Site N2-N3 contains 2 road-served launch silos spaced [REDACTED] apart. A cable ditch connecting Launch Area G5-G6 with Launch Site N2-N3 has been backfilled. First evidence of construction of this launch group was in [REDACTED] and there was no evidence of construction in [REDACTED]

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Water, sewerage, and other utility lines to the facilities discussed in this report cannot be identified, in most instances, but ground scarring and ditching along the main roads indicate that these services probably parallel the roads. Two powerlines can be identified; 1 along the north side of the main access road to Launch Complex G terminates at an electrical substation on the north side of the support facility for Complex G, and a second parallels the main access road to Complex G approximately 1.0 nm to the south. This second powerline can be identified as far as the vicinity of the south side of the support facility for Complex G. A probable utility line extends southeast from the southern part of the support facility for Launch Complex G to the main support base at Tyuratam. Closed ditching can be identified from the electrical substation to the vicinity of the electronic facility at the north end of the support facility for Complex G, Launch Site N2-N3, and Launch Area G3-G4.

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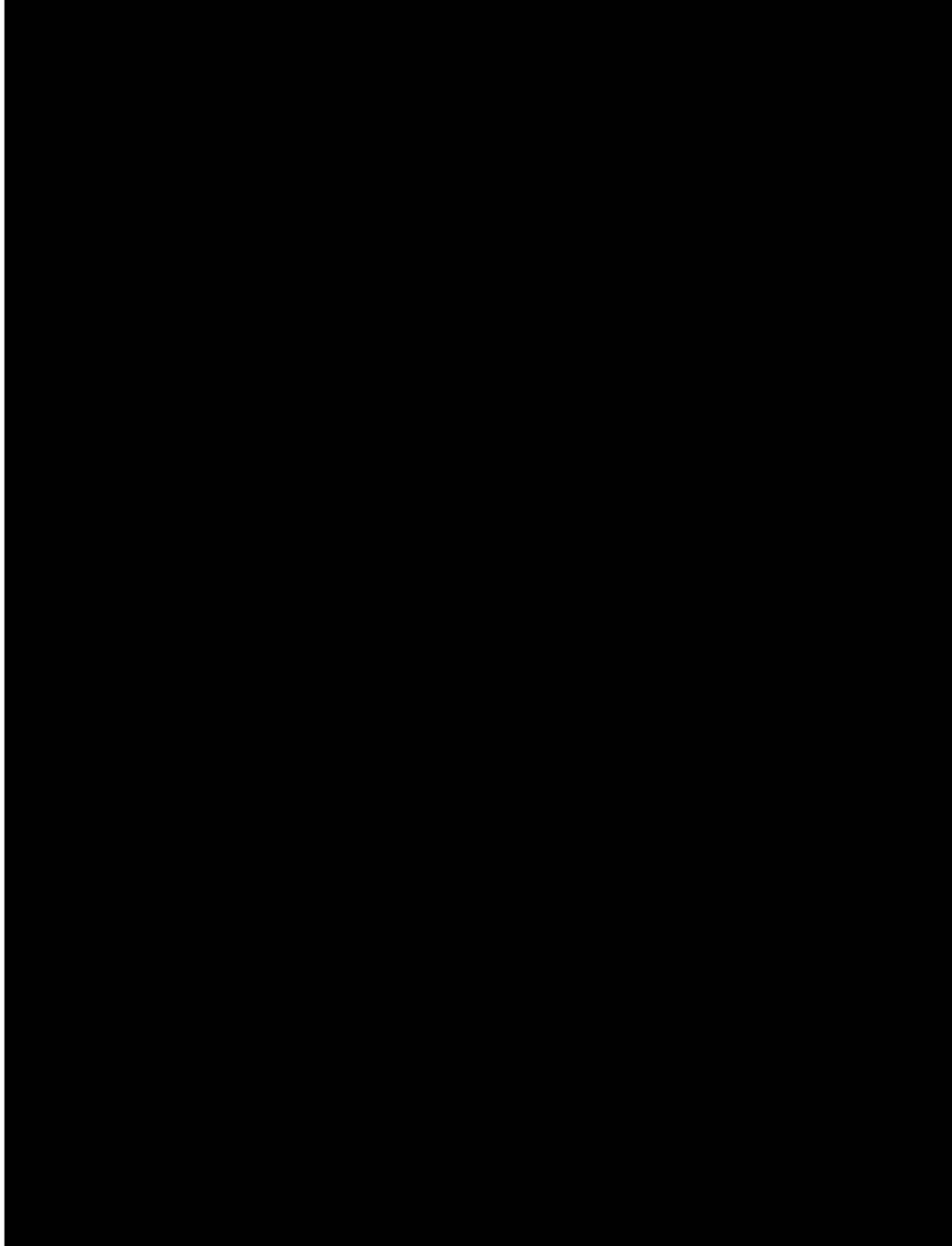
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