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PREFACE

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In the interest of uniformity, the titles and letter designators for the facilities observed at these installations are identical with those appearing in the project requirement. When a specific facility is not observed both its title and letter designator are omitted in the report.

Titles and letter designators for the various facilities are as follows: (A) railroad service, (B) road service, (C) landing strips, (D) administrative and troop housing areas, (E) storage areas, (F) ammunition storage areas, (G) POL storage areas, (H) other buildings and facilities, (J) equipment storage /maintenance areas, (K) athletic fields, (L) small arms firing ranges, (M) driver training areas, (N) tank / assault gun firing ranges, (P) flat trajectory firing ranges, (Q) artillery emplacements (batteries), (R) infantry or combined arms field training areas or courses, (S) special training facilities, (T) unidentified. facilities or tracking activity.

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POSSIBLE ARMAMENT PROVING/TESTING RANGE
CHAPAYEVSK, KUYBYSHEVSKAYA OBLAST, USSR
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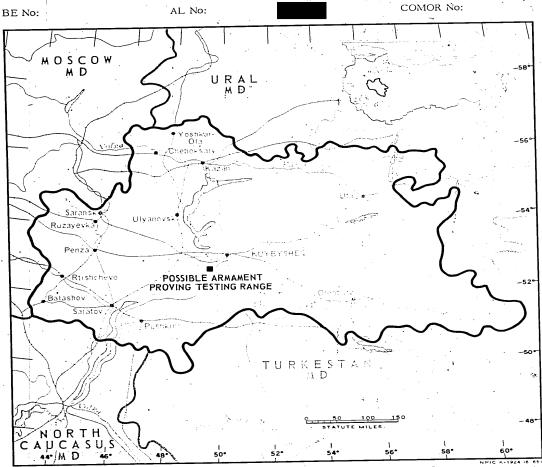


FIGURE 1. LOCATION OF POSSIBLE ARMAMENT PROVING TESTING RANGE.

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FIGURE 2. POSSIBLE ARMAMENT PROVING TESTING RANGE, CHAPAYEVSK, USSR.

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SUMMARY

25X1A 25X1A A possible danger/impact area and an adjacent support area are located east of Chapayevsk, close to the Chapayevsk Explosives and Munitions Combine 309 and 15

Combination of the 2 facilities, which cover approximately 60 sq kilometers (km), forms a possible armament proving/testing range (Figure 1).

The support area at 52-59N 049-47E covers approximately 370 acres, is secured, and contains 18 barracks, 4 administration buildings, 6 revetted explosives storehouses, and 58 other structures.

The danger/impact area is approximately 15 km long and 4 km wide. The track runs

northwest to southeast with center coordinates at 52-56N 049-50E. The southeast end appears to be an impact area, while firing seems to take place immediately south of the support area. This danger/impact area also contains a secured possible test facility near the center. The test facility contains 3 buildings, 2 possible bunkers and a possible observation area (Figures 2 and 3).

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target between

During this time, 3 barracks, 3 revetted warehouses, and approximately 24 other buildings were added to the support area.

DESCRIPTION OF INSTALLATION

Railroad Service

Rail service is available in Chapayevsk, 4 km northwest.

Road Service

Good secondary roads serve the areas.

Administrative and Troop Housing Area

Area D contains 18 multistory barracks, 4 multistory administration buildings, 12 support buildings, 2 storage buildings, 5 unidentified buildings (1 with conveyor).

General Storage Areas

Areas E1-4 are secured open storage areas (E2 is not secured).

Area E5 contains 9 storage buildings, 2 support buildings and open storage.

Ammunition Storage Area

Area & contains 6 revetted storage buildings.

POL Storage Area

Area G contains 2 support/storage buildings, and probable drum storage.

Other Buildings

Area H1 contains a possible explosives handling area with 23 unidentified buildings.

Area H2 contains 1 water tower and 3 unidentified buildings.

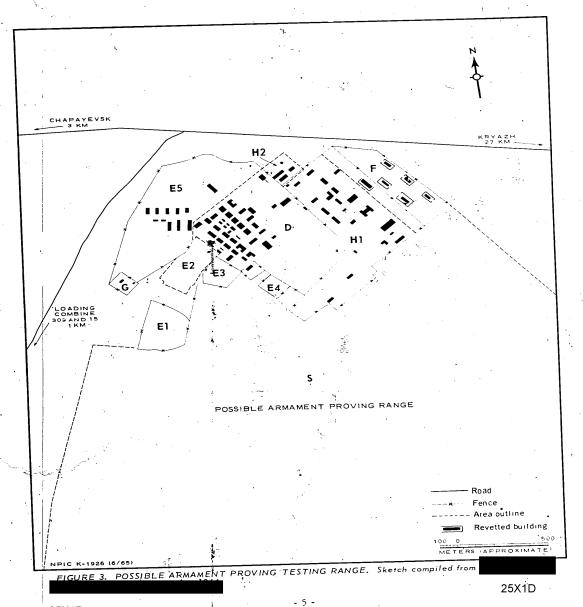
Special Training Facilities

Area S is a possible armament proving range with a cleared danger/impact area and a possible test area. The impact area is approximately 15 km long and 4 km wide. There appear to be impact holes in the southeast corner. The possible test area contains 3 unidentified buildings, 2 possible bunkered buildings, and a possible blast-shielded observation area.

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