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STATIC TEST FACILITY
PRIMORSK, USSR

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1. SIGNIFICANCE:

A POSSIBLE VERTICAL TEST STAND IS NEWLY IDENTIFIED AT PRIMORSK, USSR.

2. REMARKS:

WHEN FIRST IDENTIFIED THE INSTALLATION CONTAINED ONE VERTICAL TEST AREA AND TWO POSSIBLE HORIZONTAL TEST AREAS, A SUPPORT AREA, AND AN AREA OF NEW CONSTRUCTION AT THE SOUTHEAST EDGE OF THE FACILITY. THE VERTICAL TEST STAND WAS REPORTED TO BE IN THE LATE STAGES OF CONSTRUCTION, WHILE THE HORIZONTAL TEST POSITIONS WERE COMPLETE. ALL 3 TEST SITES ARE SITUATED IN SPECIALLY PREPARED HILLSIDE CUTTINGS ALONG THE WESTERN SHORE OF LAKE VYSOKINSKOYE.

THE MAIN PART OF THE FACILITY WAS CONSTRUCTED BETWEEN 1956 AND SEP 1963. SINCE THEN THE AREA AT THE SOUTHEAST END HAS BEEN FENCED OFF, AND A BUILDING ERECTED. GROUND SCARRING INDICATED POSSIBLE FURTHER CONSTRUCTION.

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3. LOCATION: 7.5 NM SE OF PRIMORSK ON AN ISTHMUS BETWEEN THE GULF OF FINLAND AND LAKE VYSOKINSKOYE.

4. COLLATERAL/COMINT: NONE

5. FIRST IDENTIFICATION:



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6. NEGATION DATE:

7. SUBSEQUENT COVERAGE: 6 KH-4 MISSIONS.

8. DIMENSIONS/SPECIFICATIONS: NONE

9. MISSION READOUT: COVERAGE CLEARLY SHOWS THE PRESENCE OF 1 VERTICAL ROCKET ENGINE TEST STAND AND AN ADDITIONAL POSSIBLE VERTICAL TEST STAND. SEVERAL SMALL HORIZONTAL TEST POSITIONS MAY ALSO BE PRESENT: ONE OR MORE NEAR THE NORTH END OF THE FACILITY ON THE LAKE SHORE AND A MULTIPLE POSITION SITE ON A POINT OF LAND NEAR THE CENTER OF THE FACILITY.

SEVERAL BUILDINGS ARE PRESENT AT THE LATTER LOCATION AS WELL AS A SERIES OF CONNECTED HORIZONTAL POSSIBLE PRESSURE TANKS. A MICROWAVE ANTENNA IS ALSO LOCATED IN THIS AREA. SEVERAL CYLINDRICAL OBJECTS IN OPEN STORAGE AND SCATTERED AT RANDOM ARE VISIBLE AT THE NORTH AND SOUTH ENDS OF THE MAIN SUPPORT

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AREA. DIRECT EVIDENCE OF TEST ACTIVITY IS NOT APPARENT BUT THE FACILITY APPEARS TO BE ACTIVE AND ESSENTIALLY COMPLETE.



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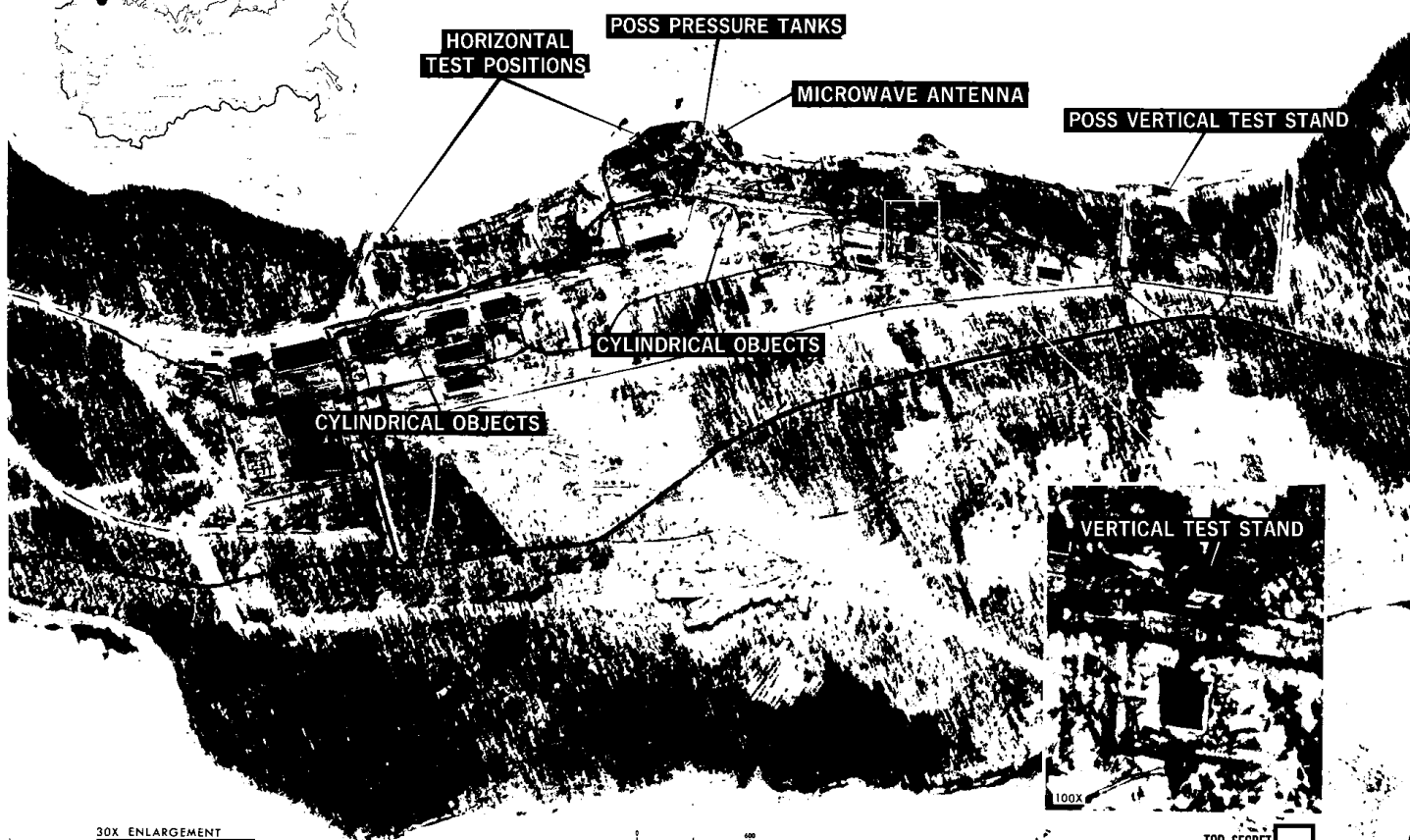
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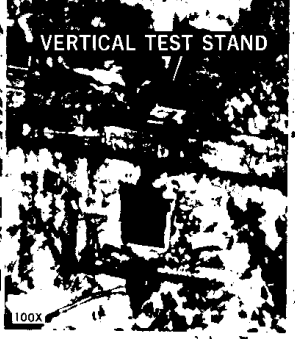
POSS PRESSURE TANKS

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CYLINDRICAL OBJECTS

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