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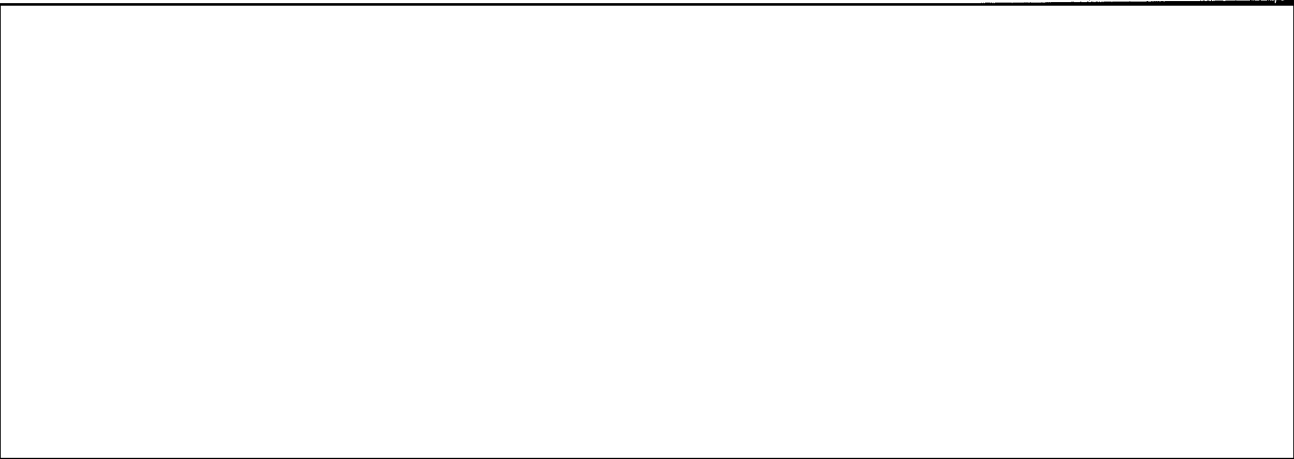
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1. [ ] population of Kherson [N 46-40, E 32-35] between 170,000 and 200,000. [ ] population breakdown as follows:

- a. Ukrainian (60%)
- b. Russian (30%)
- c. Jewish (3%)
- d. Others (7%)

2. On page 2 is a city plan of Kherson, USSR, with installations and points of interest pinpointed and explained on the accompanying legend.

3. On pages 8, 10, and 12 are overlays of Kherson. Pinpointed locations are identified on the accompanying legend.

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## LEGEND TO CITY PLAN OF KHERSON (page 2)

1. Road, Kherson to Arnautka 4639N-3236E, cobblestone, 10 m. wide.
2. Medical Assistant-Obstetrical School (Feldsherskaya ~~Arsherskaya~~ Shkola). One-story, gray, stuccoed brick, 70 x 30 x 5 m., slightly pitched metal roof. Three-year course, seven years' education required, graduated medical assistants and obstetricians.
3. Elementary School. Two-story, red brick, 50 x 30 x 12 m., slightly pitched metal roof.
4. Tractor Repair Shop. No further information.
5. Ul. Kanatnaya. Cobblestone, eight meters wide, sidewalks, no sewage system, few intermittent street lights. No further information.
6. Ul. Belinskogo. Same as pt. No. 5.
7. Ul. Sichnaya 9. ~~Belinskogo~~ Same as pt. No. 5.
8. Post Office. One-story, white, stuccoed brick, 50 x 30 x 4 m., slightly pitched metal roof.
9. Polyclinic. One-story, white, stuccoed brick, 40 x 15 x 6 m., slightly pitched metal roof, basement and high foundation.
10. Ul. Suvorovskaya. Mostly cobblestone but partly asphalt, 10 m. wide, sidewalks, had sewage system and intermittent street lights.
11. Ul. Komsomol'skaya. Same as pt. No. 5 above.
12. Kherson Voenkomat. Two-story, red brick, 40 x 20 x 8 m., slightly pitched metal roof.
13. Telegraph and Telephone Center. One-story, white, stuccoed brick, 50 x 30 x 4 m., slightly pitched metal roof. Telephone system non-automatic.
14. Kherson Obkom Party Headquarters. Two-story, white, stuccoed brick, 35 x 12 x 8 m., slightly pitched metal roof. Located on ul. Lenina (pt. No. 42).
15. Hotel (Rabochaya Gostinitsa). Two-story, stuccoed brick building, 30 x 12 x 10 m., slightly pitched metal roof. No further information.
16. Ul. Sudebnaya. Same as pt. No. 5 above.
17. Drug Store. One-story, white, stuccoed brick, dimensions unknown. Annexed to surrounding buildings.
- 17a. Ul. Komunarov. Part cobblestone and asphalt, 10 m. wide, sidewalks, no sewage system, intermittent street lights.
18. Ul. Partizanov (may be ul. Partizanskaya). Cobblestone, eight meters wide, sidewalks, no sewage system, intermittent street lights.
19. Port Facilities. No further information.
20. River Transportation Passenger Station (Rechnoy Vokzal). New, one-story, cream, stuccoed brick, 40 x 30 x 6 m., slightly pitched metal roof. River transportation only. Utilized diesel and steam ships (with water wheels), namely MIKOYAN, PETROVSKIY, VOROSHILOV, MENZHINSKIY. Carried 100-200 passengers. Prices, schedules, or types of cargo, if any, unknown.
21. Ship Repair Yard imeni ~~Komunara~~. Repaired steel ships, No further information.
22. Yacht Club.
23. Floating Dock. Reinforced concrete, belonged to Ship Repair Yard (pt. No. 21). No further information.
24. Cargo and Passenger Station for ~~floating~~ ships. Built before World War II, two-story, grey, stuccoed brick, 40 x 30 x 10 m., slightly pitched metal roof. Utilized diesel powered ships which traveled to Nikolayev 4658N-3200E, Ochakov 4636N-3132E, and Odessa 4629N-3044E. Prices, schedule, number of passengers, amount and type of cargo, and names of ships unknown.
25. Square. 100 x 80 m. No further information.
26. Lumberyard. 100 x 150 m. No further information.
27. Cargo Port Facilities. No further information.

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28. Port Facilities. Used primarily by Preserved Food Factory (pt. No. 33). No further information.
29. Coal Port Facilities. No further information.
30. City Beach.
31. Grain Elevator. Two buildings, (1) 100 x 40 x 60 m.; (2) 100 x 40 x 35 m.; both gray, reinforced concrete.
32. Thermal Electric Power Station. No further information.
33. Preserved Food Factory imeni 8th of March. No further information.
34. Security Department of the MGB. One-story, stuccoed building. No further information.
35. Brush Factory. Two-story, brown stuccoed building, 80 x 25 x 10 m., slightly pitched slate roof.
- 35a. Ul. Maya 1. Cobblestone, 10 m. wide, sidewalks, no sewage system, intermittent street lights. No further information.
36. Russian Orthodox Church. White stone building, 40 x 40 x 30 m., yellow cupola.
37. Polyclinic. Two-story, red brick, dimensions unknown, slightly pitched metal roof. Clinic for water-transport workers and their families.
38. Water Transport Workers Club. Two-story building, dimensions and description unknown. Club bore name "imeni Lt. SHMITA". Contained a library, movie theater, and dance hall. No further information.
39. Police Station (Militsiya). One-story, white, stuccoed building, 40 x 15 x 4 m., slightly pitched metal roof.
40. Square.
41. Tuberculosis Dispensary. No further information.
42. Ul. Lenina. Cobblestone, eight meters wide, sidewalks, no sewage system, intermittent street lights, garage entrance to MGB off this street. No further information.
43. Ukrainian Drama Theater (Oblastnoy Ukrainskiy Dramaticheskij Teatr). White, stuccoed brick building, 60 x 30 x 12 m. Presented shows nightly, 3 to 10 rubles per ticket. Building Metal Workers' Club.
44. Regional Administration Building. Two-story, white, stuccoed brick building, 50 x 40 x 10 m., slightly pitched roof.
45. City Council Building. Three-story, gray, L-shaped, stuccoed brick, 40 m. long on one side, 25 m. long on the other side, 15 m. wide and 15 m. high with slightly pitched metal roof. Tower on building 10 m. high with clock.
46. Movie Theater "SPARTAK". Building formerly a Jewish Synagogue. White, stuccoed brick, 50 x 35 x 10 m., slightly pitched roof. Shows nightly at 1900 and 2200 hours. Prices ranged from 1.5 to 5 rubles.
47. Medical Building (Dom Medika). Two-story, gray, stuccoed, 30 x 30 x 8 m., slightly pitched metal roof. Medical lectures and exhibitions were held here.
48. State Store. Two-story, gray, stuccoed brick, 35 x 15 x 10 m., slightly pitched roof. Store located on first floor, sold all sorts of merchandise (food, clothing, stationery, etc.). Second floor used as living quarters.
49. Bank. Two-story, brick, 40 x 30 x 8 m., slightly pitched metal roof.
50. Newspaper Office Building. Oblastnaya Gazeta "NADDNEPRANSKAYA PRAVDA". Two or three-story building, gray, stuccoed brick, 40 x 20 x 12 m., slightly pitched roof. Paper published daily, editor was either REZNIKOV or REZNICHENKO.
51. Hotel 1-go Mayskaya. Three-story, gray, stuccoed brick, 40 x 20 x 12 m., slightly pitched roof. Hotel and restaurant (same name) best in Kherson. Thirty rooms, four beds to a room, eight rubles per bed per night. In the restaurant, breakfast and lunch 12 to 15 rubles, dinner 20 to 25 rubles, 100 grams of vodka 5 rubles, mug of beer 2.60 to 3.60 rubles.

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52. Bakery. Description and dimensions unknown. In the cellar was a cafe and restaurant.
53. Photo Studio.
54. Summer Cafe.
55. Open-Air Ice Cream Parlor.
56. Restaurant. One-story, stuccoed brick building. Specialized in diets.
57. Printing Shop. Two-story, grey, stuccoed, 50 x 20 x 8 m., slightly pitched roof.
58. Summer Open-Air Theater. "PIONER". Area 80 x 40.
59. State Store. New, two-story, stuccoed brick, 50 x 30 x 10 m., slightly pitched roof. Sold clothing and food.
60. MVD Headquarters. Two or three-story, brick, 60 x 25 x 8 or 12 m., slightly pitched roof.
61. MVD Garage.
62. Ul. Krasno-Flotskaya. Cobblestone, 10 m. wide, sidewalks, no sewage, intermittent street lights.
63. Ul. Kirova. Same as pt. No. 62 above.
64. Park Kul'tury i Otdykha imeni Lenina.
65. Ul. Karla Marksa. Same as pt. No. 62 above.
66. School. Ten years, three-story, red brick, 80 x 40 x 12 m., slightly pitched roof.
67. Taxi Stand. Very light chocolate-brown "Pobeda" type taxis, never more than three located here. No further information.
68. Drug Store. One-story, white, stuccoed building, dimensions unknown.
69. DOSAAF Building (Dobrovol'noye Obschestvo Sodeyatviya Armi, Aviatsii, Flotu). Two-story, gray, dimensions unknown, connected with drug store (pt. No. 68) and wine store (pt. No. 70).
70. Wine Store. Two-story building, store on first floor, living quarters on second floor.
71. Square.
72. Central Library. One-story, stone, white, 35 x 20 x 8 m., slightly pitched metal roof.
73. Ul. Yanvaryia 21. Cobblestone, 8 m. wide, sidewalks, no sewage, intermittent street lights.
74. Movie Theater imeni ~~Karla Marksa~~. Stuccoed brick, L-shaped building, 65 m. long on one side, 35 m. long on the other side, 20 m. wide and 10 m. high, flat roof, entrance from ul. Maksima Gorkova (pt. No. 75). No further information.
75. Ul. Maksima Gorkova. Cobblestone, eight meters wide, sidewalks, no sewage system, intermittent street lights.
76. Square imeni Lunacharskogo. Formerly a theater but bombed out during World War II, foundation remaining.
77. Square imeni Karlova Marksa.
78. Ul. Gogolya. Same as pt. No. 75 above.
79. Naval School (Morekhnodnoye ~~Uchilishche~~). Two or three-story, stuccoed brick building, slightly pitched roof. No further information.
80. Ul. Perekopskaya. Cobblestone, 12 m. wide, no sewage, intermittent street lights, sidewalks only towards and near the center of town.
81. Military Hospital. Two-story, red brick building, 40 x 15 x 10 m., slightly pitched roof. No further information.
82. Military Hospital. Two-story, red brick building, 15 x 12 x 10 m., slightly pitched roof. This hospital consisted of two buildings, this building and the one above (pt. No. 81). No further information.
83. Stadium.
84. Caserne. Two-story, stuccoed brick, 70 x 30 x 10 m., slightly pitched roof. Unit that used building unknown.
85. Teacher's Institute (Pedagogicheskiy Institut imeni Nadezhdy Krupskoy). Two-story, red brick, 80 x 35 x 10 m., slightly pitched metal roof. Offered 5-year course, 10 years' schooling

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- required for admission. Several smaller buildings located in the rear of this building which were a part of this school. Description and dimensions unknown.
86. Naval Technical School. Three-story, cream, stuccoed brick, 60 x 40 x 12 m., slightly pitched metal roof. A civilian school under the administration of the Ministry of the Merchant Fleet. Offered courses in navigation and mechanics. Both three-year courses, 7 years of schooling required for admission. Students wore navy uniforms. No further information.
  87. Technical School. Type of school unknown. New, three-story, stuccoed brick, 60 x 40 x 12 m., flat roof. No further information.
  88. Caserne Area. Unknown number of two-story, stuccoed brick buildings, dimensions unknown, slightly pitched roofs. No further information.
  89. Trade School. Two-story, gray, stuccoed, 60 x 20 x 12 m., slightly pitched roofs.
  90. Prospekt Ushakova. Formerly called ul. Krasno-Armeyskaya and before that ul. Gvarodovskaya. Boulevard, center dividing island 8 m. wide, roadway each side of island 10 m. wide, sidewalks 1.5 m. wide, granite stone roadway, intermittent street lights, main street in Kherson. No further information.
  91. Ul. Dekabristov. Cobblestone, eight meters wide, sidewalks, no sewage system, intermittent street lights, entrance to MGB garage off this street.
  92. Spartakovskiy Pereulok. Cobblestone, five meters wide, small, narrow sidewalks, few lights, no sewage system.
  93. Ul. Zhovtnevoyi Revolutsii [Oktyabrskoy Revolutsii] <sup>2</sup>. Cobblestone, 10 m. wide, sidewalks, no sewage system, intermittent street lights. Headquarters MGB (pt. No. 96) located on this street.
  94. City Railroad Ticket Office. Two-story, gray, stuccoed brick, dimensions unknown, building connected to surrounding buildings. First floor, ticket office; second floor, living quarters. No further information.
  95. Preobrazhenskaya Square and Preobrazhenskaya Russian Orthodox Church. White, stuccoed brick, 50 x 50 x 45 m. to top of cross on cupola, metal roof, cupolas painted green. Church services were held.
  96. Headquarters MGB. Two- or three-story, gray, stuccoed brick, L-shaped, 35 m. long on one side, 45 m. long on the other side, 20 m. wide, 12 m. high, slightly pitched roof.
  97. Music School. Two- or three-story, stuccoed brick, 45 x 20 x 12 m., slightly pitched roof. Voice and instrument.
  98. Market Place. Called Kolkhoznyy Rynok.
  99. Caserne Area. Unknown number of two-story, stuccoed brick buildings, dimensions unknown, slightly pitched roofs. No further information.
  100. Water Tank. Steel, circular tank, 6 m. in diameter, 4 m. high, stands 40 m. high supported by steel support. Supplies water for city. No further information.
  101. Monument.
  102. Yarmatskaya Square.
  103. Fort. Damaged and crumbling, called Turetskiy Val.
  104. Prison. Three-story, red brick, 60 x 40 x 12 m., slightly pitched roof, enclosed by stone wall 3 to 4 m. high, 1/2 m. thick. Three meters from wall, area further enclosed by barbed wire fence three meters high with top portion slanted. No further information.
  105. Prison. Gray, stuccoed brick, 100 m. square, 10 m. wide, and 25 m. high. Southeast corner of building damaged during World War II and that portion crumbling. No further information.
  106. Candy Factory imeni Voykova. Several buildings, two- or three-story, white, stuccoed, 100 x 40 x 12 m., slightly pitched roofs, metal smokestack 40 m. high.

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ENCLOSURE (CONT.)

107. Ul. Gospital'naya. Dirt, six meters wide, very few street lights, no sewage system or sidewalks.
108. Ul. Ogorodnaya. Same as pt. No. 107 above.
109. Hospital. Civilian, located within specified area, no further information.
110. Ul. Bol'nichnaya. Cobblestone, eight meters wide, sidewalks, no sewage system, intermittent street lights. No further information.
111. Road. Kherson to Berislav, cobblestone, 10 m. wide. No further information.
112. Territory of Locomotive Factory imeni Petrovskogo.<sup>4</sup> No further information.
113. Cemetery.
114. Fire Station. Two-story, white, stuccoed brick, 40 x 15 x 10 m., slightly pitched roof with lookout tower 15 m. high from roof top. Three or four engines on first floor, quarters on second floor. No further information.
115. Oblastnoy Voenkomat. Two-story, cream, stuccoed brick, 30 x 12 x 8 m., slightly pitched roof.
116. Hospital (Oblastnaya Bol'nitsa). Unknown number of buildings, description and dimensions unknown.
117. Territory of Freight Station and Warehouses. No further information.
118. Passenger Railroad Station.
119. Road. Kherson to Gusakovka [5245N-6740E], cobblestone, 10 m. wide.
120. Military Airfield. [redacted] No further information.
- A. Portion of Kherson known as Zabalka.<sup>5</sup>
- B. Portion of Kherson known as Gorod.
- C. Portion of Kherson known as Sukharnaya.<sup>5</sup>
- D. Portion of Kherson known as Voyennaya.

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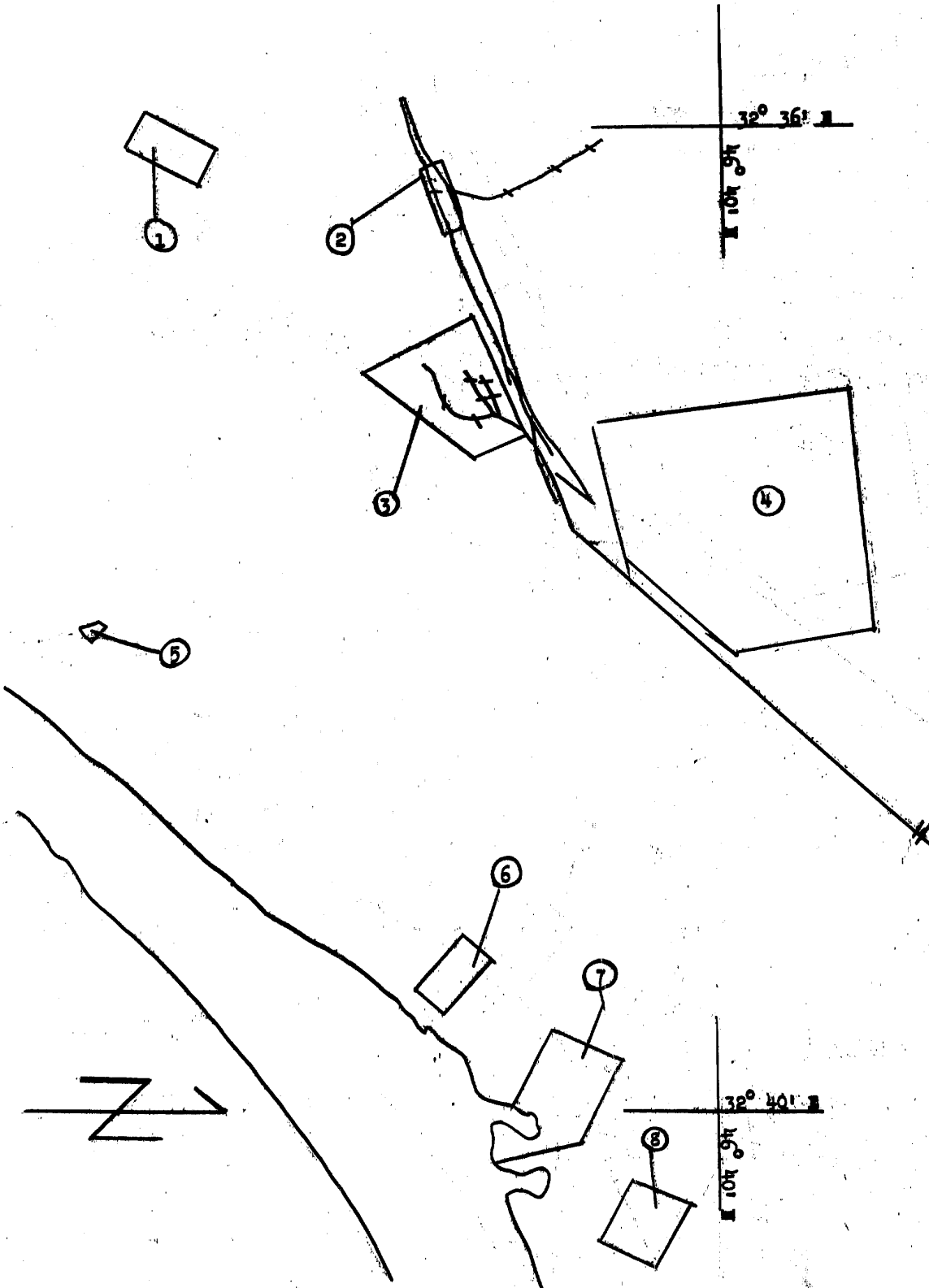
- a. Route from the River Passenger Station (pt. No. 20) to RR Station (pt. No. 118), which consisted of 2 or 3 red buses; fare was 1.50 rubles; it traveled along the following:
- (1) Ul. Komunarova (pt. No. 17a)
  - (2) Ul. Suvorovskaya (pt. No. 10)
  - (3) Ul. Yanvaryia 21 (pt. No. 73)
  - (4) Ul. Sichnya 9 (pt. No. 7)
  - (5) Ul. Zhovtnevnyi Revolutsii (pt. No. 93)
  - (6) Market Place (pt. No. 98)
  - (7) Prospekt Ushakova (pt. No. 90)
- b. Route along Ul. Perekopskaya (pt. No. 80), which consisted of 2 or 3 red buses.

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ENCLOSURE: B (CONT'D)

**LEGEND FOR OVERLAY (Page 8)**

1. Tractor Repair Shop. (Same as pt. No. 4, page 3 of this report.)
2. Railroad Station. (Same as pt. No. 118, page 7 of this report.)
3. Locomotive Factory imeni Petrovskogo. (Same as pt. No. 112, page 7 of this report.)
4. Kherson Airfield. (Same as pt. No. 120, page 17 of this report.)
5. Candy Factory imeni Voykova. (Same as pt. No. 106, page 6 of this report.)
6. Cotton Scouring and Combing Plant. No further information.
7. Preserved Food Plant imeni Stalina. No further information.
8. Glass Plant. No further information.

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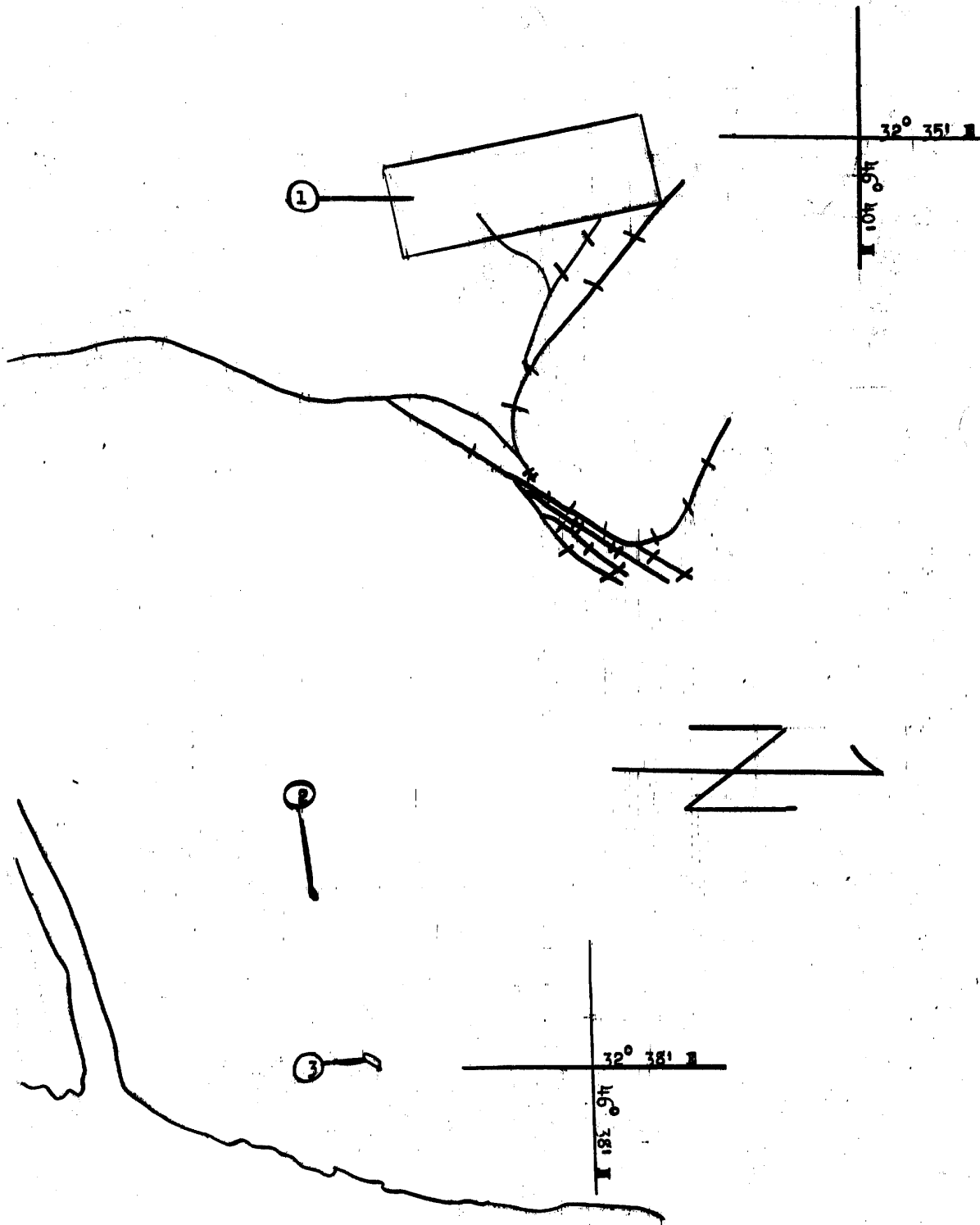
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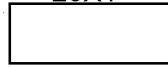
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ENCLOSURE: C (CONT'D)

**LEGEND FOR OVERLAY (Page 10)**

1. Oil Refinery. No further information.
2. MGB Headquarters. (Same as pt. No. 96, page 6 of this report.)
3. MVD Headquarters. (Same as pt. No. 60, page 5 of this report.)

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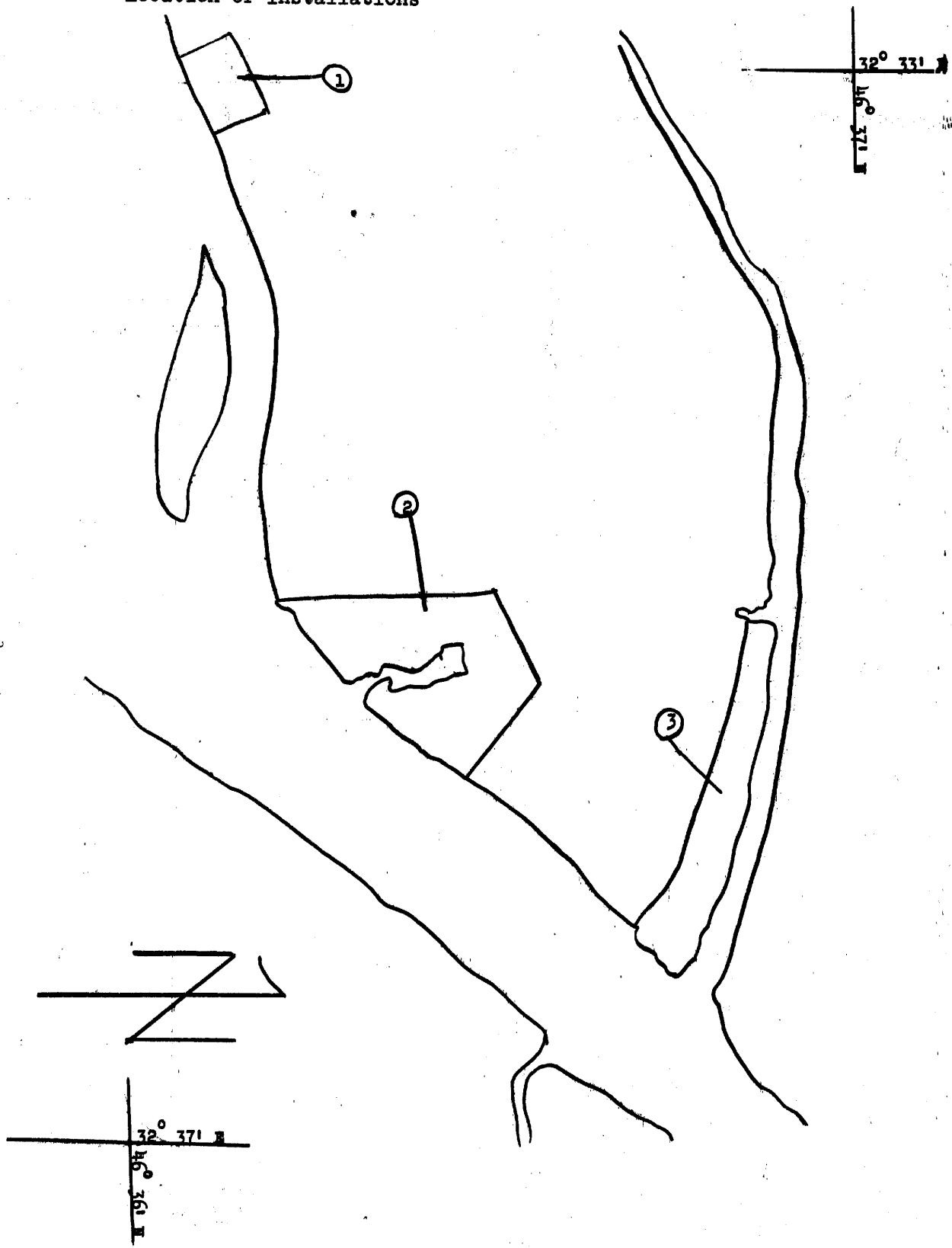
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D. Overlay of Kherson (5910) 0250-9988-25M 1:25,000, Pinpoint  
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## LEGEND FOR OVERLAY (page 12)

- 25X1 1. Oil Storage Base and Port. No further information.
- 25X1 2. Military Plant No. 873.<sup>6</sup> [redacted] the plant was producing torpedoes and armament for submarines. No further information.
- 25X1 3. Ship Repair Yard imeni Komintern<sup>7</sup>. (Same as pt. NO. 21, page 3 of this report.)

- 25X1 1. [redacted] Comment. This figure appears high. The 1939 census preliminary report gave the population of Kherson as 97,186 and it is unlikely that it would have doubled since then.
- 25X1 2. [redacted] Comment. It is not known why some of the street names are in Ukrainian and others in Russian.
- 25X1 3. [redacted] Comment. Appears on a German map as ul. Govoraya.
- 25X1 4. [redacted] Comment. No locomotive factory is known to exist in Kherson. There is a Petrovskiy Agricultural Equipment Factory, but there is no information to indicate that it produces locomotives or other railroad equipment. Possibly some sort of self-propelled farm machinery is meant. The Krasnaya Zvezda Machinery Plant in Kherson produces some railroad equipment, such as locomobiles.
- 25X1 5. [redacted]
- 25X1 6. [redacted] Comment. No plant with this number is known by this office to be in Kherson. The location indicates that this may be the Dockstroy Shipyard.
- 25X1 7. [redacted] Comment. Has been previously located to the west of the small inlet.

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