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1. [Redacted] 25X1

2. Alphabetical Designators In connection with information contained herein, specific points of interest are [Redacted] referred to in this report by the following alphabetical designators: 25X1

- A. Outer anchorage
- B. First berth
- C. Inner anchorage
- D. Second berth
- E. High winds anchorage
- F. Approach track
- G. Three range supports
- H. Three range lights
- I. Unlighted mooring buoy
- J. No visible masts
- K. Wreckage removed
- L. Red flashing light buoy
- M. Path of ferry
- N. Launches
- O. Rowboats
- P. Searchlight
- Q. Gate
- R. Naval basin
- S. Pier does not exist
- T. Pier does not exist
- U. Pier does not exist
- V. Pier does not exist
- W. Shortened pier
- X. Under repair
- Y. Grain loading area
- Z. Grain elevator
- AA. Conveyor gallery support changes
- BB. Minesweeper's path
- CC. Path of PT boats
- DD. Unidentified craft
- EE. Three river ferries
- FF. Admiralty building
- GG. Floating drydock
- HH. Ship repair area
- II. No tank farm observed.

3. [Redacted] 25X1

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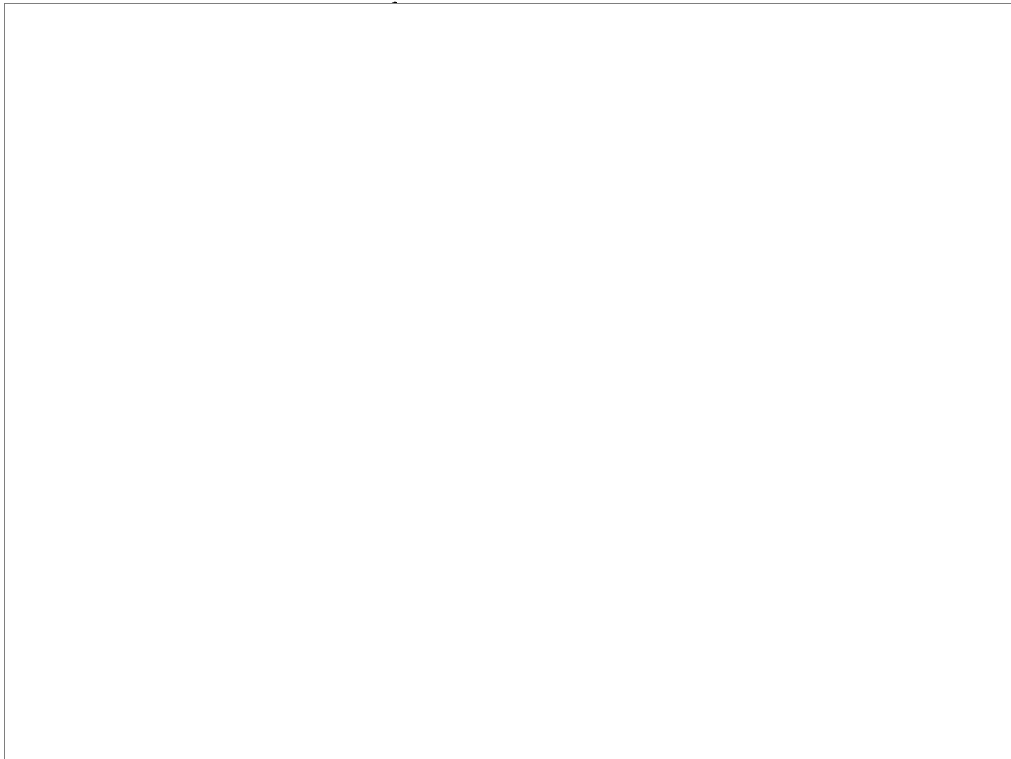
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4. Approaches and Pilot data

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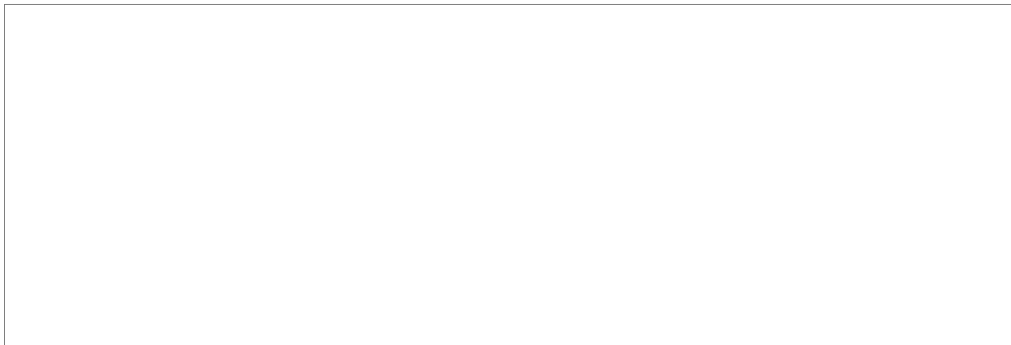


d. [redacted] an unlighted mooring bupy was located at designator 25X1
I and [redacted] no visible masts were noted at designator J.

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Designator M was the path of a ferry which operated throughout daylight hours. 25X1
[redacted] there were numerous 40' wooden launches operating in a line,
designator N [redacted] they
had wheelhouses and a speed of approximately 10 knots. In the area designated 25X1
O there were numerous fishing rowboats which "scattered when a vessel's whistle
was blown." [redacted] observed a powerful searchlight located
at or near designator P at night. [redacted] the Eastern and Western 25X1
moles to be approximately 12' high and "well constructed of blocks of cement,"
and in good condition. 25X1

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[redacted] 25X1

b. There were surveillance boats both in the inner and outer harbors. In the outer harbor, the surveillance boat [redacted] 25X1

[redacted] was approximately 160' long, carried scanner-type radar, had recently been painted a dark gray, and [redacted] it was flying a flag which contained some green in it, and [redacted] the ship had "slim lines and was probably fast." This surveillance vessel [redacted] at night it showed only an anchor light. [redacted] 25X1

[redacted] a very strong wind might badly damage this vessel and that "one good shell" would sink her. In the inner harbor the surveillance boat was 40-50', painted gray, and had a small gun on the forecastle. This boat showed no lights at night [redacted] These surveillance vessels came from the naval basin at designator R. [redacted] 25X1

6. Harbor Craft [redacted] employed ^{UNCODED} no tugs but four or five were available. [redacted] they had all been built since 1945, were approximately 45' long, powered by steam, and capable of going to sea. [redacted] 25X1

7. Berth

a. Those piers designated S, T, U, and V do not exist, and [redacted] the depths around these non-existent piers given on the charts are correct. [redacted] the foundations of these piers have been removed except for designator V, and the buoys at the end of that pier were still there. [redacted] Pier #2 has been shortened to the line designated W. [redacted] 25X1

b. [redacted] at designator B, a passenger ship berth, [redacted] there were no waiting rooms or other facilities for passengers on the pier. Passengers go directly from ships to the city. In the area designated X railroad tracks were either being repaired or extended to the end of the pier. The pier at designator D was approximately 1600' long, 90' wide, and was constructed of cement. [redacted] 25X1

c. [redacted] the area designated Y is customarily a grain-loading area and contained the tracks for three semi-gantry single-tube loaders. Grain came from a granary in area designated Z. [redacted] the grain elevator to be approximately eight stories high, 200' long, and 80' wide. Alongside of the elevator was a large building which [redacted] might be a flour mill which had two smokestacks about 10 stories high. A conveyor gallery, described [redacted] as "ancient," ran from designator Z to about the end of the pier. The conveyor gallery from designator AA to the end of the pier resembled diagram three [redacted] and from designator AA to shore the underside of the conveyor was enclosed and wider than the conveyor itself. The enclosed area was used as a warehouse. [redacted] 25X1

d. No cranes were observed anywhere in the harbor. Deck gear was used to discharge ships. Four conventional-sized fork-lift trucks were available which took the cargo from the piers. These trucks were covered with mud and showed hard use under rough conditions. The roads in the harbor area, the city, and the surrounding countryside were "all pot holes," [redacted] and even the few asphalt roads were covered with mud. Cement dust [redacted] 25X1

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was everywhere and created a mess when combined with rain or snow.
 very little railroad traffic in the harbor area.

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8. Naval Vessels and Facilities:

a. a two-
 stack, gray, destroyer,

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stood out from the bay and
 proceeded on a westerly course.

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a minesweeper,
 emerged from designator R
 and proceed along a course designated BB. It was painted gray but needed
 a new coat of paint, and her speed was approximately eight knots.

or eight high-speed PT boats,

seven
25X1

emerged from the harbor
 and proceeded along the track designated CC at about 25 knots. These boats
 left a big wake and made large waves at the bow. First to emerge were three
 boats in a ragged column. Fifteen minutes later four or five similar but
 smaller boats emerged in a ragged column and followed the path of the first
 three boats. All of these boats displayed a white light above side lights.

one small PT boat returned to the harbor,
 then two more sped out, and all the boats returned

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b. At designator EE were three old river ferries, each approximately 150'
 long and painted gray and white, the paint being in fair condition. Naval
 personnel were using these ferries as barracks, but no guards were noted
 on or near the ferries. The Admiralty building located at designator FF
 was an orange-yellow building about four stories high. A radio tower
 projected several stories above the roof with a red light on top of the
 tower. Ships were called by voice radio from this tower. A signal station
 was atop the radio tower from which light signals were sent. There were no
 yards.

9. Ship Repair At designator GG there was a floating drydock which accommodates
 ships of the T-2 tanker size. One Russian T-2 tanker was in this drydock
 having its bottom cleaned. Designator HH marks a ship repair area. There
 were no smokestacks in this area, but there were several long sheds about
 two stories high.

10. Merchant Vessels one partly loaded ship in the
 harbor and one ship loading steel products. Several small,
 four-hatch Soviet freighters were also in the harbor. They had steel hatches
 and some had coat hatches forward of their bridges. it was
 customary for these Soviet freighters to bring in coal and pick up grain.

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several small, modern Soviet passenger ships in the harbor and
 estimated that these ships carry about 200 passengers between Black Sea
 ports. One of these ships was named Batumi.

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11. Shore Activities: one passenger plane and two jets flying in
 an east-to-west direction at approximately four thousand feet, on different
 occasions.

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a new cinema a Soviet film. Public buses were used to get to the
 cinema. The Inter Club has table tennis, pool, and chess, but there was no
 bar. Free films were shown there,

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[redacted] there was plenty of propoganda available at the club.

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[redacted] No prostitutes were seen

[redacted] there was no hotel in the city as it had been destroyed during the war and had not been rebuilt.

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[redacted]

Many people were observed promenading in the streets at night talking quietly to each other. [redacted] this was their principal diversion. [redacted] about the unsanitary conditions of all the toilets ashore. Generally the toilets are holes in the floor with foot rests; there was no screening between the holes, and newspapers were used in lieu of toilet tissue. The filth and smell were obnoxious.

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12. Miscellaneous [redacted] no tank farm in the area designated II, but [redacted] the tanks might be underground; nor were any tank cars seen on the railroad tracks. [redacted] the cement factory on the eastern side of subject port operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

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[redacted] there were Greek and Russian Orthodox, and Methodist churches there. The Soviets avoided all political discussion.

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The [redacted] ship mentioned in paragraph 10 was perhaps carrying supplies for the steel mill reportedly being constructed [redacted] by the Soviets.

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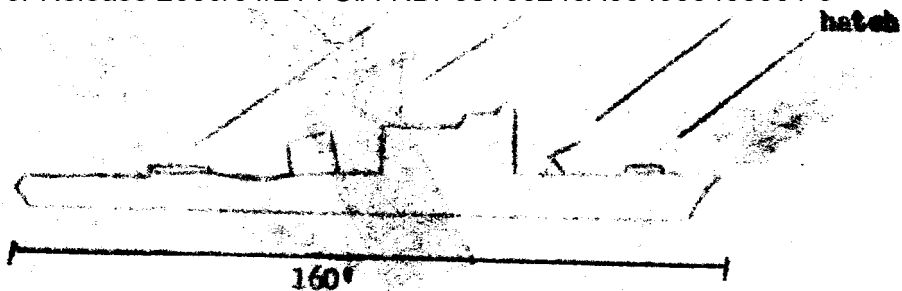


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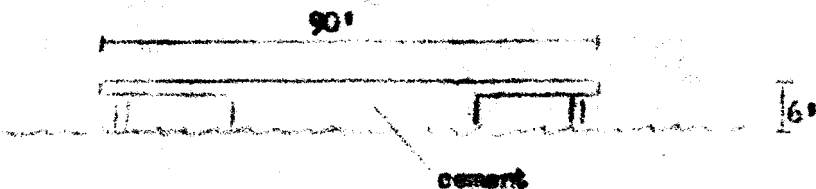


DIAGRAM 2 - End view of pier at designator D

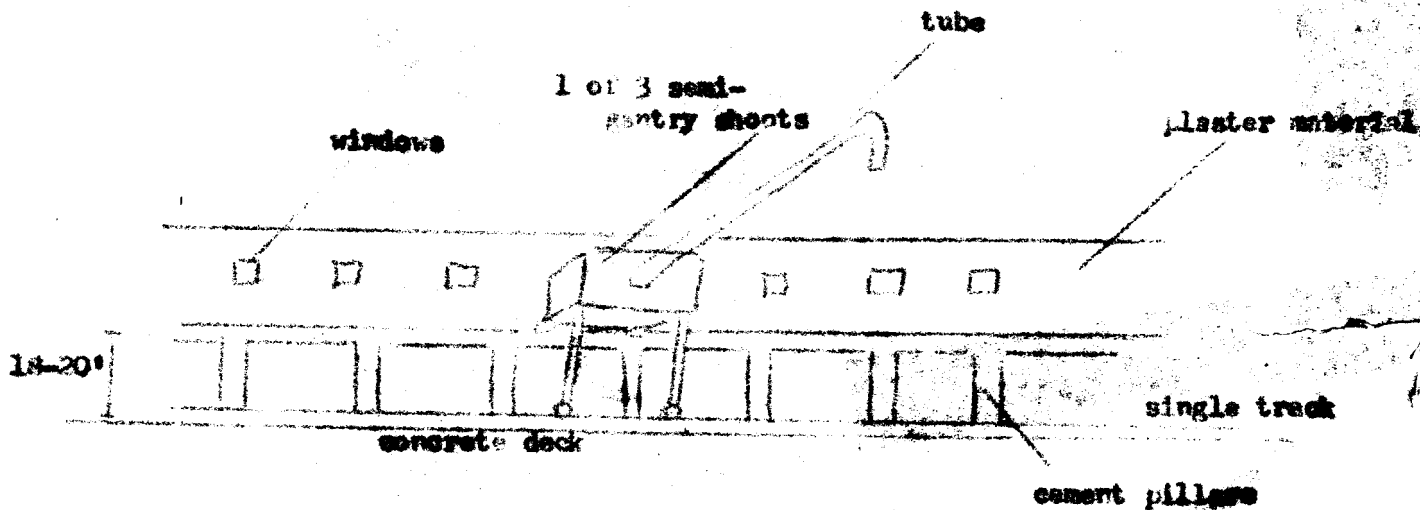
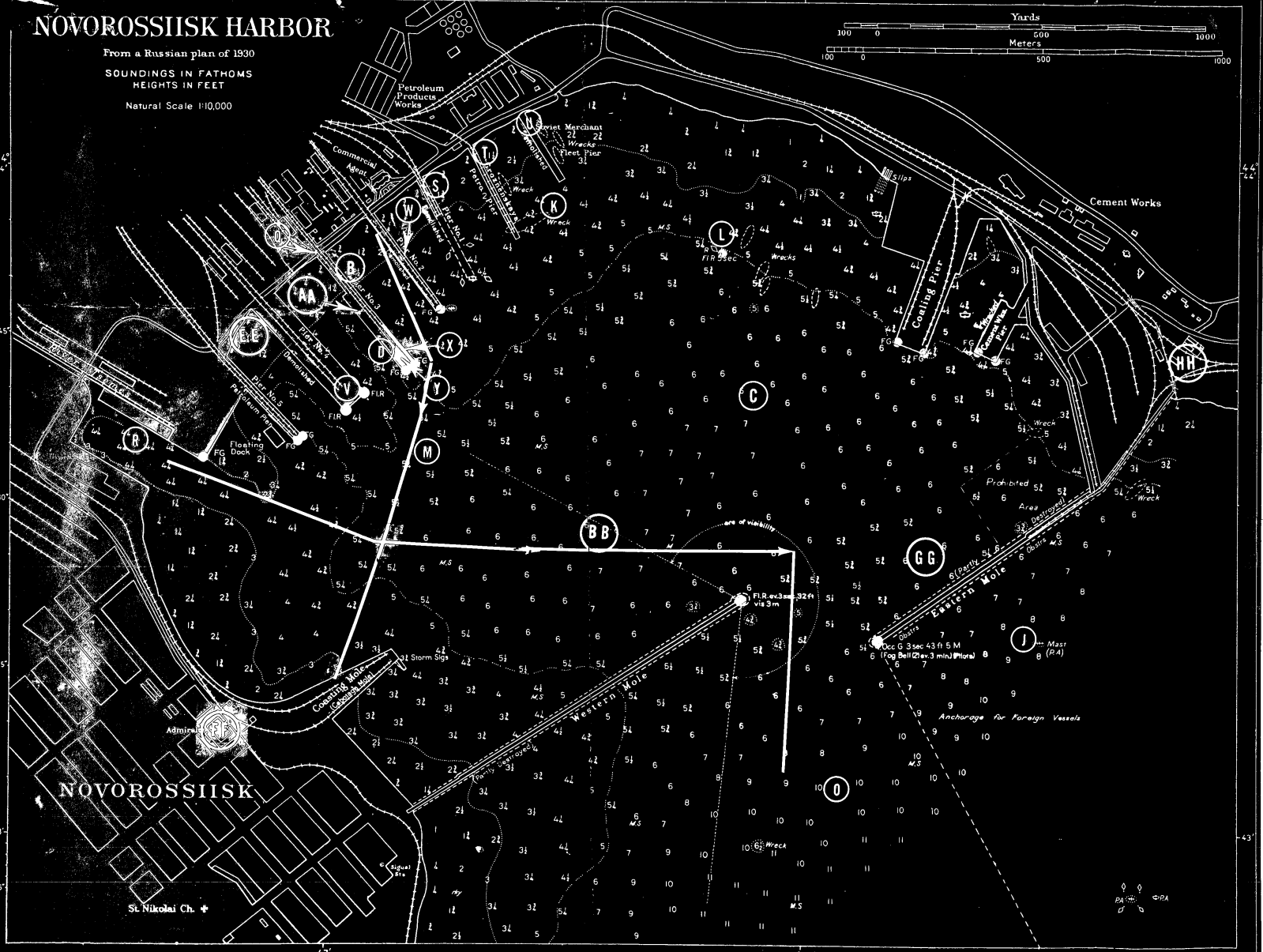


DIAGRAM 3 - GRAIN CONVEYOR GALLERY

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From a Russian plan of 1930
SOUNDINGS IN FATHOMS
HEIGHTS IN FEET
Natural Scale 1:10,000



BLACK SEA RUSSIA
NOVOROSSIISK BAY
(SUZHUHK BAY)

From a Russian chart of 1930

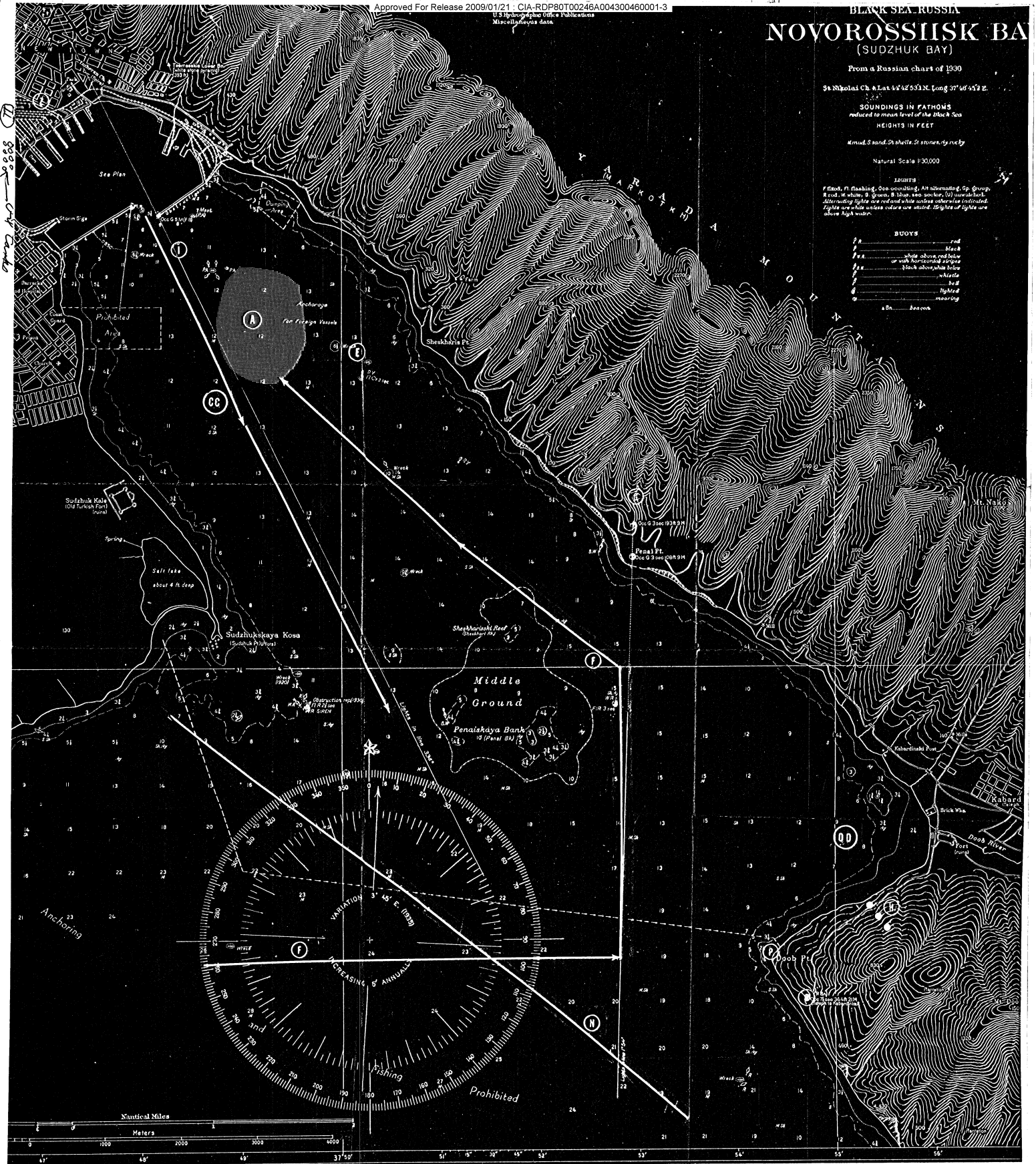
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SOUNDINGS IN FATHOMS
reduced to mean level of the Black Sea
HEIGHTS IN FEET

Normal Sound. Sh. Shells. Sh. stones. Sh. rocks
Natural Scale 1:30,000

LIGHTS
F. Flashing, G. Occ. occulting, A. Alternating, Sp. Group
R. Red, W. White, G. Green, B. Blue, see sector, (U) unwatched.
Alternating lights are red and white unless otherwise indicated.
Lights are white unless colors are noted. Heights of lights are
above high water.

BUOYS
P. Red, W. White, G. Green, B. Blue, see sector, (U) unwatched.
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