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1. An airfield was located on a plateau half way between Nizhni Tagil (57°55'N/59°58'E), Sverdlovsk Oblast, and Vaggonka (57°57'N/60°4'E) which is northeast of Nizhni Tagil, and about 1.5 km south of the road connecting the two localities. The field was bordered on the west by training grounds for tanks and on the north by a road which led northward to the main road. There were no runways, taxiways, or railroad spur tracks at the field. *
2. Two large hangars, each about 15 to 20 x 50 meters, were on the edge of the field. One hangar had an annex, probably used as quarters and administration building. A fuel dump consisting of three large and two small containers was along the road north of the field. No night lighting facilities were seen. The landing field, about 1x1.5 km, had a firm grass cover. The field was occupied by about four biplanes and about 10 civilians. Twin-engine Douglas planes landed at the field.
3. The airfield was about three km south of the railroad car factory. A road led from the field to the main road between Nizhni Tagil and Vaggonka. Commercial planes landed daily at the field. Practice flights with biplanes were observed almost every day over the field.
4. The airfield was on the southeastern edge of Nizhni Tagil, about six km south of the tank plant. The field was sodded and measured about 1,000 meters from east to west and about 300 meters from north to south. There were no runways or taxiways. A corrugated sheet metal hangar was in the middle of the northern section of the field. A small temporary building with a wind sack was seen in the northeastern corner. The field was occupied by about four or five biplanes for the training of civilians, one twin-engine plane.

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landed at the field twice a week. **

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* [redacted] Comment. [redacted] location sketch of airfield, see Annex 1. The sketch corresponds with previous information on the location of the field. This indicates that the field is about four miles farther west than entered on

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the [redacted] The small river drawn on the attached sketch is probably the Alaya Rasiva River entered on the Complex Chart.

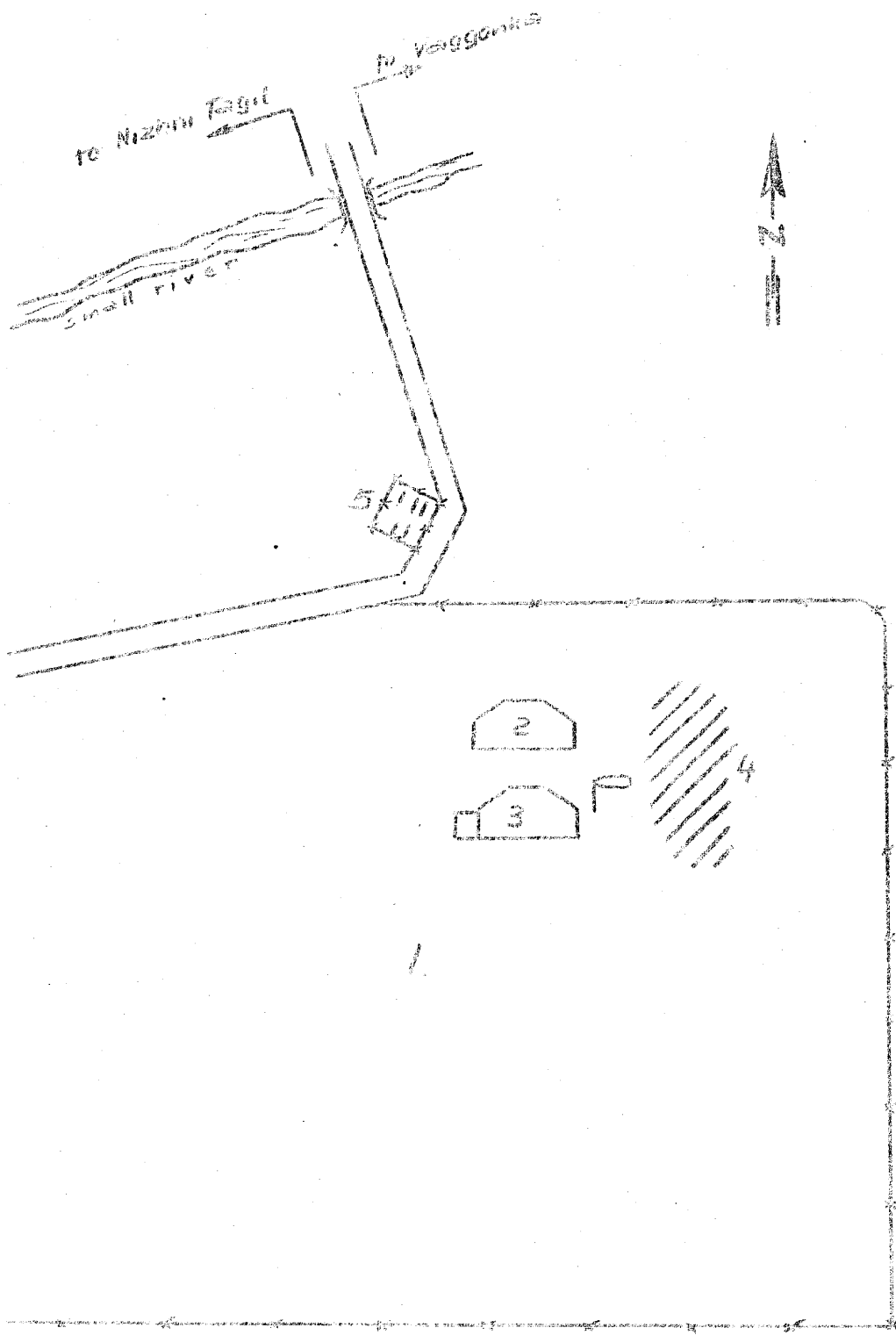
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** [redacted] Comment. The report agrees with previous information on the field. The field is undoubtedly a civilian airfield on which commercial planes land, and which is used by LOSAV.

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LAYOUT Sketch of Nizhny Tagul Airfield



Legend:

- 1. Runway
- 2. Hangar, 20 x 50 meters
- 3. Hangar with annex 6 x 10 meters
- 4. Dispersal area for three to four U-2s
- 5. Fenced-in fuel dump with large tanks and two small containers