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TITLE/SIGNIFICANCE: Possible Sigint Role for the R-400/404 Mast Truck

COMMENT: An unidentified mast truck, probably based on the R-400/404 mast truck, has been observed in a separately fenced area at Minsk AB with an ECM Battalion. The mast is mounted on a Zil-131 chassis and, unlike the R-400/404 mast which is flush with the front of the chassis, it extends one meter beyond the front of the chassis. This extension appears to consist of a box-like structure with a triangular brace on top and is [redacted] wider than the normal R-400/404 mast. Parked adjacent to the mast vehicle was a Zil-157 FULL HOUSE radio intercept/direction finder receiver vehicle (not in the right photo below). Although it is the first time these two vehicles have been reported together, this unidentified mast truck has been previously observed here [redacted] with the POLE HORN jammer/interceptor system. The specific functional association between the mast truck and either the FULL HOUSE or POLE HORN systems is undetermined at this time. It is speculated that the mast truck is not functioning in the traditional microwave radio-relay role, but as a Sigint associated vehicle with a new function.

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LOCATION(S) Minsk AB Uruchye NE

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