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**INDICATIONS OF RAIL-MOBILE SS-X-24 LAUNCH  
PLESETSK ICBM LAUNCH TEST SITE 28, USSR (TSR)**

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1. **SIGNIFICANCE:** THE SS-X-24 LAUNCHED [ ] PROBABLY WAS  
TESTED FROM A RAIL-MOBILE LAUNCHER AT PLESETSK ICBM LAUNCH TEST  
SITE (LTS) 28. (TSR)

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2. **REMARKS:** INDICATIONS ARE THAT THE SS-X-24 ICBM TESTED [ ]  
[DEFSMAC S/DQ/251-84 (S)] WAS LAUNCHED FROM A RAIL-MOBILE  
LAUNCHER IN THE RAIL-SERVED PROBABLE ICBM LAUNCH TEST FACILITY  
(LTF) ADJACENT TO PLESETSK ICBM LTS 28 AND NOT FROM PLESETSK  
ICBM LTS 22 [ ] AS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED (NPIC  
EVENING HIGHLIGHT REPORT 84-0462 [ ] ITEM 2).  
ENHANCEMENT OF [ ] IMAGERY REVEALED AN ELONGATED, DARKENED  
AREA OF SNOW PARALLEL TO AND SOUTH OF THE RAIL SPUR SOUTH OF  
THE BURIED LAUNCH CONTROL BUILDING. IN ADDITION, NUMEROUS  
STRIATIONS AND SOME POCKMARKS WERE IN THE DARKENED AREA. THE  
PATTERN AND LOCATION OF THE STRIATIONS AND POCKMARKS SUGGESTS  
THAT THE MISSILE WAS PROBABLY LAUNCHED FROM THE SOUTH RAIL SPUR  
AT A POINT JUST WEST OF THE BURIED LAUNCH CONTROL BUILDING.  
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ON PRELAUNCH IMAGERY [ ] NINE RAILCARS WERE IN THE  
LTF. SEVEN RAILCARS WERE ON THE SPUR NORTH OF THE BURIED  
LAUNCH CONTROL BUILDING AND TWO RAILCARS WERE ON THE SPUR SOUTH  
OF THE BURIED LAUNCH CONTROL BUILDING. [ ] FOUR  
RAILCARS WERE ON THE NORTH RAILSPUR. LIMITED INTERPRETABILITY  
OF AVAILABLE IMAGERY HAS PRECLUDED THE IDENTIFICATION OF UNIQUE  
FEATURES (IF ANY) ON RAILCARS IN THE LTF. (TSR)

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ENHANCEMENT AND FURTHER ANALYSIS OF IMAGERY OF LTS 22 [ ]  
[ ] REVEALED THAT NO ADDITIONAL POCKMARKS OR  
EXPENDED LAUNCH ASSIST DEVICES (LADS) WERE PRESENT [ ]  
THEREFORE, BASED ON THE SUBTLE POSTLAUNCH ACTIVITY IDENTIFIED  
AT THE LTF AND THE LACK OF NEW EVIDENCE OF A LAUNCH AT LTS 22,  
IT IS LIKELY THAT THE PREVIOUSLY REPORTED POSTLAUNCH ACTIVITY  
AT LTS 22 WAS A CONTINUATION OF THE PRELAUNCH ACTIVITY REPORTED  
[ ] (NPIC EVENING HIGHLIGHT REPORT 84-0442 [ ]  
[ ] ITEM 1) AT LTS 22. (TSR)

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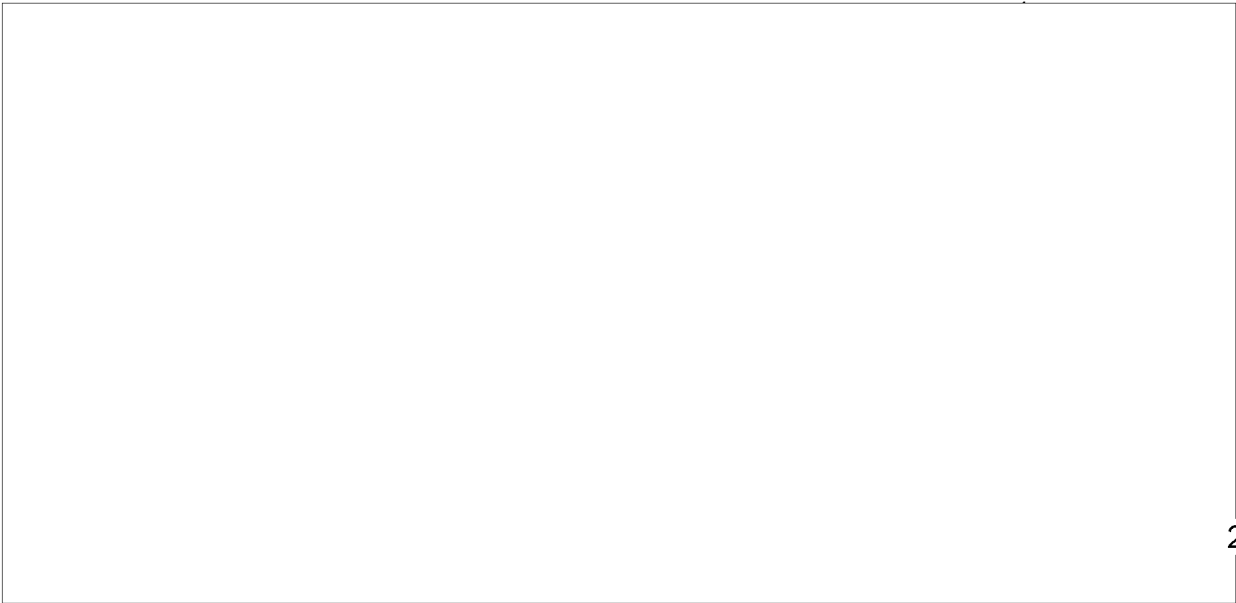
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