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(c) NATIONAL PHOTOGRAPHIC INTERPRETATION CENTERPage 1 of 2Attachment to Z-14447-83
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20 DECEMBER 1983**AL JUFRAH AIRFIELD OPERATIONAL FOR ADVANCED JET AIRCRAFT**
AL JUFRAH AIRFIELD, LIBYA (SWN)

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1. **SIGNIFICANCE:** AL JUFRAH AIRFIELD, REPORTEDLY BEING CONSTRUCTED BY THE SOVIETS, HAS BECOME AN OPERATIONAL, ADVANCED, JET-CAPABLE AIRFIELD. (SWN)
2. **REMARKS:** ANALYSIS [REDACTED] REVEALED THAT AL JUFRAH AIRFIELD IS OPERATIONAL AND CAPABLE OF HANDLING ADVANCED JET AIRCRAFT (GRAPHIC 1). IN ADDITION TO THE PREVIOUSLY REPORTED GROUND CONTROL INTERCEPT (GCI) SITE, A GROUND CONTROL APPROACH (GCA) SITE, CONSISTING OF AT LEAST A ONE EYE AND A TWO SPOT RADAR, HAS BECOME OCCUPIED [REDACTED] ONE AIR NAVIGATION SITE, CONSISTING OF ONE RSB-4N AIR NAVIGATION BEACON, HAS ALSO BEEN NEWLY OCCUPIED NEAR THE CENTER OF THE RUNWAY. AT THE GCI SITE, THE SIDE NET RADAR HAS BEEN REASSESSED AS A SIDE NET/ODD PAIR (GRAPHIC 2). OTHER AIRFIELD IMPROVEMENTS THAT HAVE BEEN COMPLETED [REDACTED] INCLUDED THE PAINTING OF TOUCHDOWN MARKERS ON THE WEST-NORTHWEST (WNW) END OF THE RUNWAY AND THE PAINTING OF CENTER-LINE MARKERS ON ONE-QUARTER OF THE LENGTH OF THE RUNWAY. MAJOR AIRFIELD IMPROVEMENTS THAT HAVE BEEN OBSERVED SINCE EARLY MARCH INCLUDED THE CONSTRUCTION OF 12 FOXBAT-CAPABLE AIRCRAFT BUNKERS IN THE WNW FIGHTER DISPERSAL AREA (NOT YET EARTHEN COVERED). FOUR PROBABLE MISSILE READY BUNKERS AND FIVE PROBABLE PERSONNEL BUNKERS ARE IN VARIOUS STAGES OF CONSTRUCTION. ONE FIRING-IN-BUTT WAS IN THE FINAL STAGES OF CONSTRUCTION. IN THE BOMBER DISPERSAL AREA, CONSTRUCTION ON 12 MEDIUM BOMBER CAPABLE REVETMENTS, SIX PROBABLE MISSILE-READY BUNKERS AND SIX PROBABLE PERSONNEL BUNKERS, HAVE BEEN COMPLETED OR WERE NEARING COMPLETION. CONSTRUCTION OF TWO LARGE AIRCRAFT HANGARS NEAR THE CENTER OF THE AIRFIELD COMPLEX, WERE ALSO NEARING COMPLETION. THE MISSILE STORAGE FACILITY, 1 NM EAST OF THE WNW END OF THE RUNWAY WAS IN THE MID TO LATE STAGES OF CONSTRUCTION. CONSTRUCTION ON EIGHT PROBABLE STORAGE BUNKERS WAS COMPLETE OR WAS NEARING COMPLETION AND 14 PROBABLE FUELING/CHECKOUT AND FACILITY SUPPORT SHELTERS HAVE BEEN ERECTED ALONG ROADS WITHIN THE FACILITY. A HIGH FREQUENCY COMMUNICATIONS FACILITY HAS BEEN CONSTRUCTED 1 NM NORTHEAST OF THE BOMBER DISPERSAL AREA. AL JUFRAH AIRFIELD IS 260 NM SOUTHEAST OF TARABULUS (TRIPOLI)

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AND 120 NM SOUTH OF THE GULF OF SIDRA. (SWN)

ANALYST COMMENTS--A GCI SITE HAS NOT BEEN PREVIOUSLY IDENTIFIED AT AIRFIELDS IN LIBYA; HOWEVER, THEY ARE COMMONLY SEEN AT WARSAW PACT AIRFIELDS. THIS IS FURTHER EVIDENCE OF SOVIET INVOLVEMENT IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF THIS AIRFIELD. (SWN)

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3. [REDACTED] COORDINATES 29-13-00N 016-00-00E (S)

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4. REFERENCE:

NPIC IAC 527 FOR 14 DECEMBER 1983, ITEM 3. (SWN)
NPIC/IEG BRIEFING BOARD, Z-12984/83, 25 MARCH 1983. (SWN)

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