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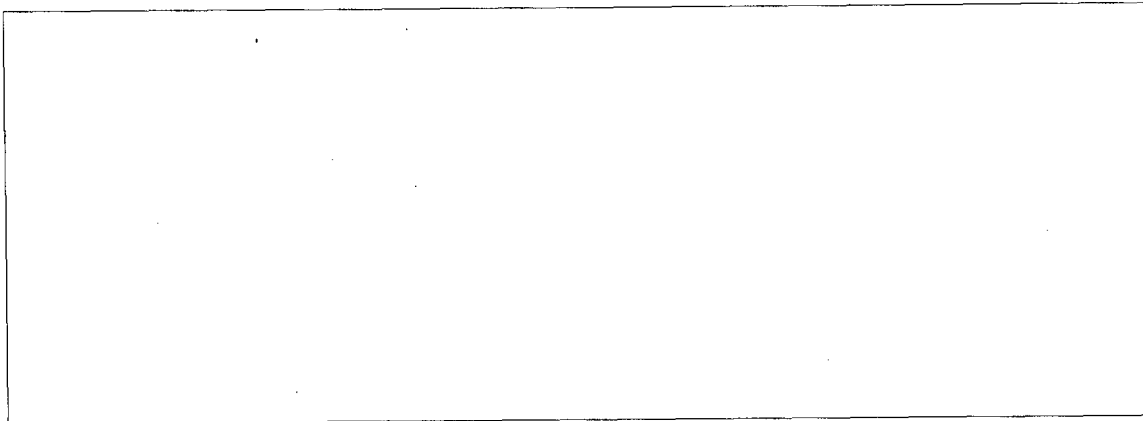
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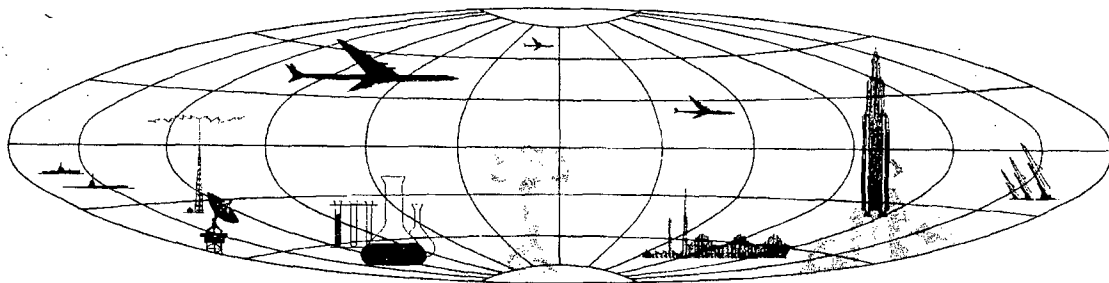
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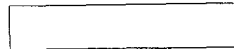
PREFACE

This report is one in a series on Soviet Ground Force and logistic installations being prepared for a DIA/CIA Panel. The series is being coordinated, published and disseminated by NPIC. The photographic analysis is being performed by the NPIC Photographic Analysis Group, the CIA Photographic Intelligence Division (NPIC), and the Production Center 1PIC (DIA). The photographic analysis for this particular report was performed by the NPIC Photographic Analysis Group.

In the interest of uniformity, the titles and letter designators for the facilities observed at these installations are identical with those appearing in the project requirement. When a specific facility is not observed both its title and letter designator are omitted in the report.

Titles and letter designators for the various facilities are as follows: (A) railroad service, (B) road service, (C) landing strips, (D) administrative and troop housing areas, (E) storage areas, (F) ammunition storage areas, (G) POL storage areas, (H) other buildings and facilities, (J) equipment storage/maintenance areas, (K) athletic fields, (L) small arms firing ranges, (M) driver training areas, (N) tank/assault gun firing ranges, (P) flat trajectory firing ranges, (Q) artillery emplacements (batteries), (R) infantry or combined arms field training area or courses, (S) special training facilities, (T) unidentified facilities or tracking activity.





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**BOBRUYSK ARMY BARRACKS WEST AND ASSOCIATED TRAINING AREA
(53-08N 029-09E)**

**BOBRUYSK, MOGILEVSKAYA OBLAST, USSR
BELORUSSIAN MD**

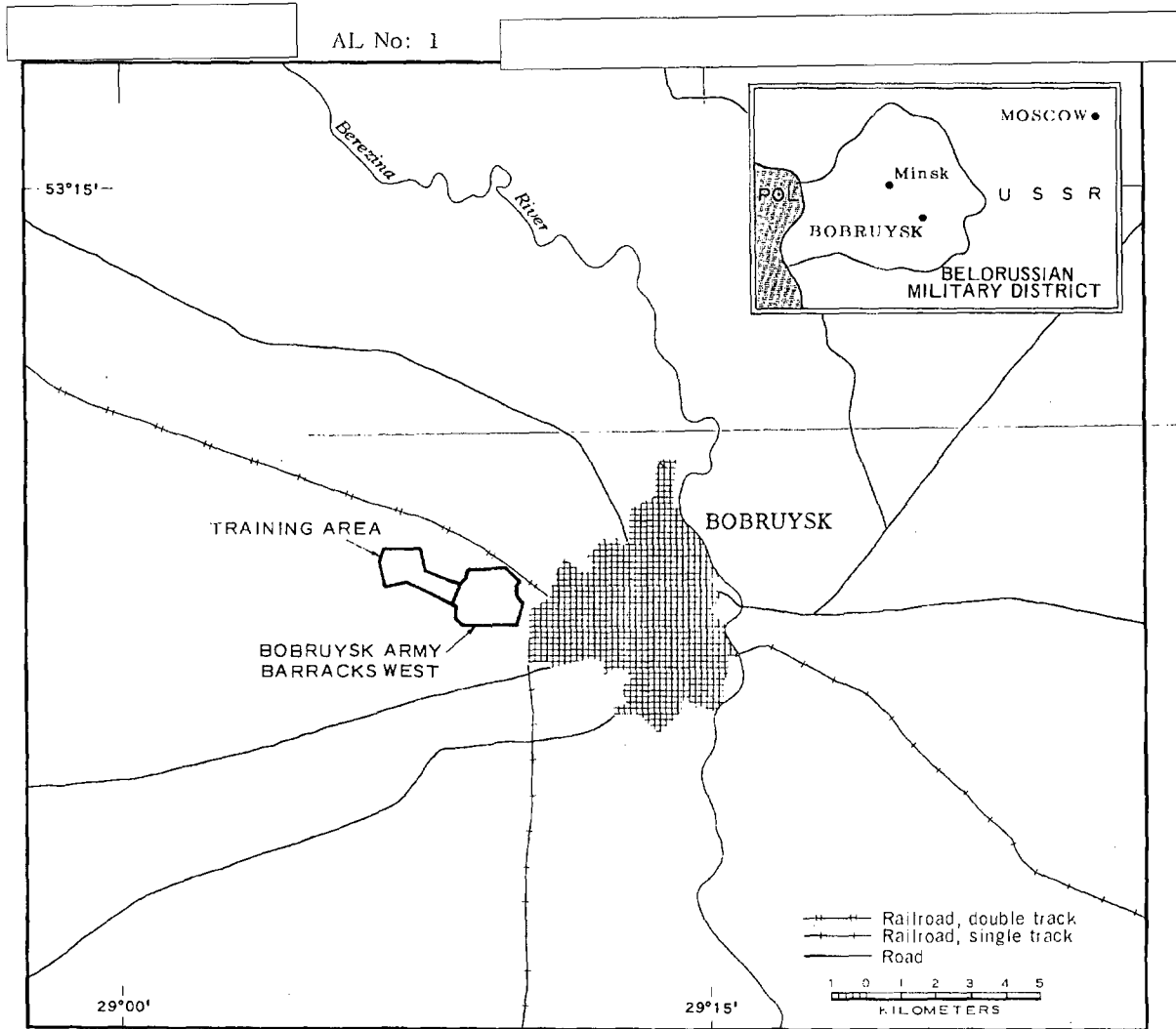


FIGURE 1. LOCATION OF BOBRUYSK ARMY BARRACKS WEST AND ASSOCIATED TRAINING AREA.

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SUMMARY

Bobruysk Army Barracks West is located on the west edge of Bobruysk (53-08N 029-14E), south of the Bobruysk-Osipovichi rail line (Figure 1). An associated military training area adjoins the area on the west-northwest. A spur from the rail line serves the area, and an all-weather secondary road provides access to city streets. Bobruysk Barracks and Headquarters 22d Tank Division, Citadel [redacted] AL-2) is located 6 kilometers (km) east, Bobruysk Army Food Depot [redacted] and the Headquarters 5th Guards Mechanized Army [redacted] [redacted] 6 km southeast, and Bobruysk Army Maneuver Area [redacted] 17 km southeast.

The barracks area (Figures 2 and 3) covers approximately 700 acres and contains three administration buildings, 41 barracks, 36 storage buildings, 41 support buildings, two officers' quarters, one probable officers' club, one large gymnasium, two vehicle maintenance/storage areas with 15 vehicle maintenance buildings, an athletic field, two small arms firing ranges, and a sod aircraft landing strip with a tower. A transshipment facility on the northwest edge of the installation contains two buildings. A large water treatment basin is located west of the installation.

The associated training area covers approximately 630 acres and extends 3 km west-northwest from the barracks. It is on level ground with woods on the north and west. Within the area are two small arms ranges, a probable tracked-vehicle driver training area, two tank/assault gun firing ranges and nine support buildings.

The barracks and the training area were covered by two TALENT missions in 1956 and 12 KEYHOLE missions between June 1961 and August 1963. Significant changes in the barracks and training area include construction of two small arms firing ranges, improvement and lengthening of the tank/assault gun firing ranges between 1956 and June 1961, conversion of a motor park to a vehicle storage/maintenance area with six new maintenance buildings, completion of the gymnasium between 1956 and April 1962, and the addition of 18 barracks, three storage and 20 support buildings between 1956 and June 1963.

The level of activity in 1961 was greater in the barracks area and on the tank/assault gun firing ranges than in 1956, but decreased at the driver training area. There was no significant change in the level of activity in the training area from 1961 through August 1963.

DESCRIPTION OF INSTALLATION

Railroad Service

A spur from the double-track Bobruysk-Osipovichi rail line serves the barracks area. A transshipment facility at the NE edge of the installation contains two buildings (Area A).

Road Service

A probable all-weather secondary road provides access to local city streets.

Aircraft Landing Strip

A sod landing strip, 2,950 by 580 feet (Area

C), identified from 1956 TALENT photography is located on the north edge of the barracks area. A tower is located just south of the landing strip and two support buildings are located on the southwest edge. No change was observed on June 1963 KEYHOLE photography.

Administrative and Troop Housing Areas

Area D1 (Figure 3) contains two administration buildings, 41 barracks, six storage buildings and 13 support buildings.





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Area D2 contains two officers' quarters and one support building.

Track activity throughout indicates the probable occupancy of all buildings. The level of track activity has increased since 1956 TALENT coverage. Eighteen barracks, 4 support and 1 storage buildings were added between 1956 and June 1963.

General Storage Area

Area E contains 30 storage buildings, one administration building, and 17 support buildings. The storage buildings are located near rail sidings. Two storage and 6 support buildings were added between 1956 and 1963.

Other Buildings

Area H1, a probable recreation area, contains one large gymnasium, one probable officers' club, and five support buildings. The gymnasium appeared to be under construction in 1956 and completed by April 1962.

Area H2, located in the training area, contains nine support buildings for tank firing-range support. TALENT coverage revealed seven buildings which were removed prior to April 1962. The buildings now present were added between 1956 and April 1962.

Equipment Storage/Maintenance Areas

Area J1 is secured and contains nine maintenance buildings, six [redacted] one 200 by 55 feet, one 125 by 40 feet, and one [redacted], and one support building which was added between 1956 and 1963.

Area J2 is secured and contains six maintenance buildings, four 285 by 85 feet and two 215 by 70 feet, and two support buildings. Track activity extends from this area to the adjacent military training area. An increase in activity, including the addition of the six maintenance buildings, was noted between 1956 and 1962. On 1956 photography, this area appeared as a motor park with only two support buildings.

Athletic Field

Area K is an athletic field.

Small Arms Firing Ranges

Area L is a 395- by 65-foot small arms firing range, and Area L1 is a [redacted] range. Scarring indicates active use of both ranges. On 1956 photography, range L1 appeared to be under construction and on April 1962 coverage it appeared completed.

Area L2 is a 985- by 120-foot small arms firing range, and Area L3 is a 300- by 120-foot range. Ranges L2 and L3 are located in the training area and were constructed between 1956 and June 1961. Consistent activity is observed throughout the reporting period.

Driver Training Area

Area M is an irregular-shaped probable tracked-vehicle, driver training area, and was observed to be less active on KEYHOLE than on TALENT coverage.

Tank/Assault Gun Firing Ranges

Area N1 consists of four 1,950-foot firing lanes, two stationary targets, and two moving targets with angles of deflection from a perpendicular to the static firing line of 25 degrees left and 90 degrees left. Two moving targets observed in 1956 were not active on later coverage. The two moving and two stationary targets now in use were added between July 1956 and June 1961. The maximum target distance increased from 3,000 feet to 3,700 feet during the same period.

Area N2 consists of four 2,300-foot firing lanes and 6 moving targets with the following angles of deflection from a perpendicular to the static firing line: one 115 degrees right, three 150 degrees right, one 160 degrees left, and one 75 degrees left. In addition, there are 10 stationary targets. Eight moving targets observed in 1956 are not active on later coverage. The six moving targets presently in use and six of the



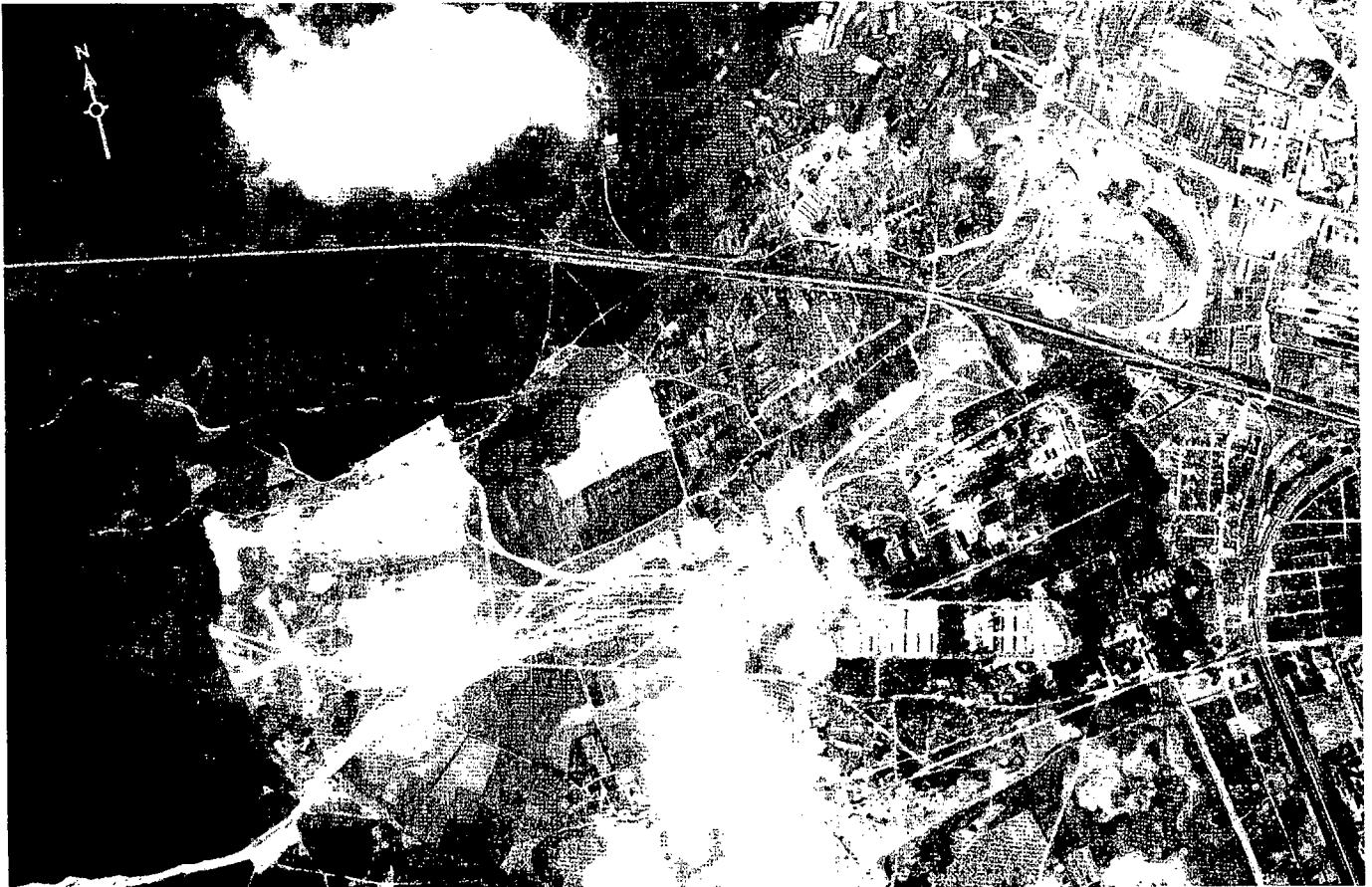


FIGURE 2. BOBRUYSK ARMY BARRACKS WEST AND ASSOCIATED TRAINING AREA, BOBRUYSK, USSR, JUNE 1963.

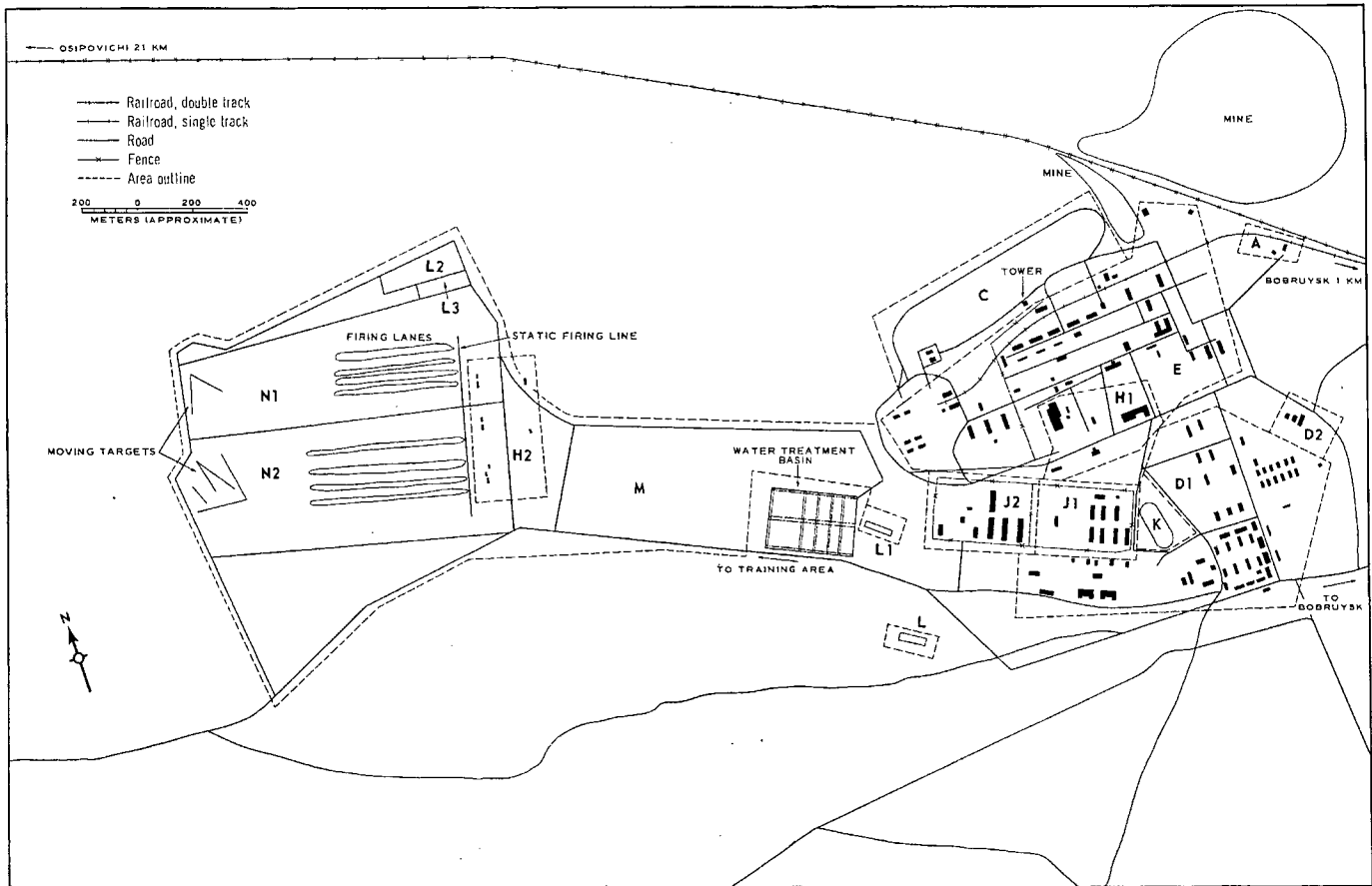


FIGURE 3. BOBRUYSK ARMY BARRACKS WEST AND ASSOCIATED TRAINING AREA. Sketch compiled from [redacted] July 1956, and [redacted] June 1963.

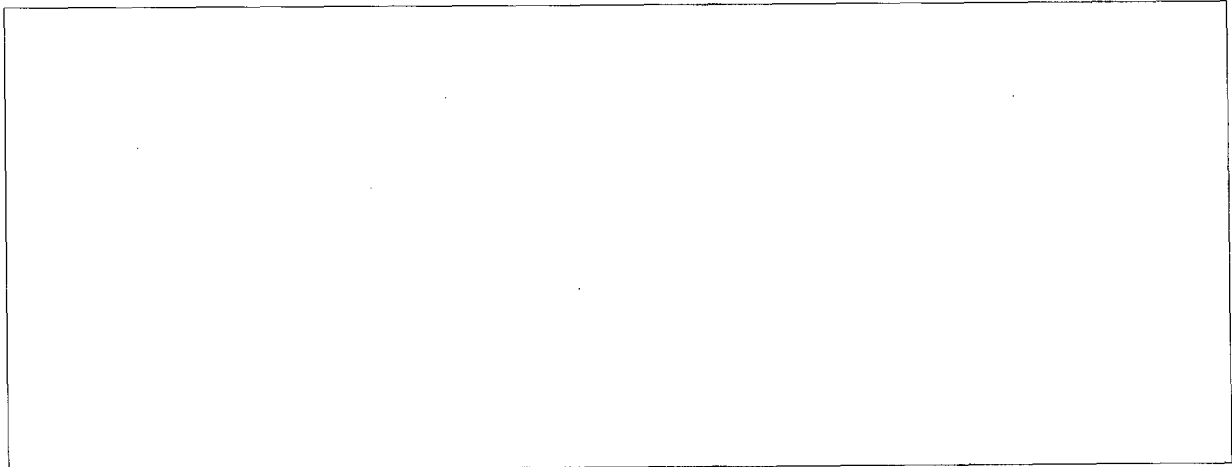
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stationary targets were added between 1956 and June 1961. Maximum target distance increased from 3,400 feet in 1956 to 4,000 feet by June 1961.

The level of activity at both ranges increased between 1956 and June 1961 but remained constant between June 1961 and August 1963.

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