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INSTALLATION:	Tyura Ray Control Missile Range Head	BRIEF NO. : B-89-57
LOCATION :	Tyura Tam	DATE : 23 August 1957
B. E. NUMBER:	NA	LATITUDE : $45^{\circ}40'$ N
WAC NUMBER :	246	LONGITU <b>D</b> E: 63 <sup>0</sup> 19'E
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REFERENCES: Map

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Other : Joint ODE-B4035; ACS/I No. IPIR-3-57

ENCLOSURES: Orientation map; sketch of Tyura Tam Missile Test Area

REQUIREMENT HTA/SI/R55/57: Requesting examination of Tyura Tamfacilities.

**REMARKS**:

The Tyura Tam guided missile range head is situated about 25 kilometers north of the rail head facilities at Tyura Tam. The small village of Tyura Tam, located about midway between Novokazalinsk and Dzhusaly on the Chkalov-Tashkent rail line, is situated in Kzyl-Orda Oblast', near the right bank of the lower Syr Darya.

The range headfacilities, located north of the village at  $45^{\circ}55$ 'N,  $63^{\circ}18'E$ , consist of a rail-served launch area and a possible guidance facility. Ground scars that appear to be cable trenches lead away from the launch area, indicating the existence of additional components that cannot be seen on current photo-

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#### Points of interest:

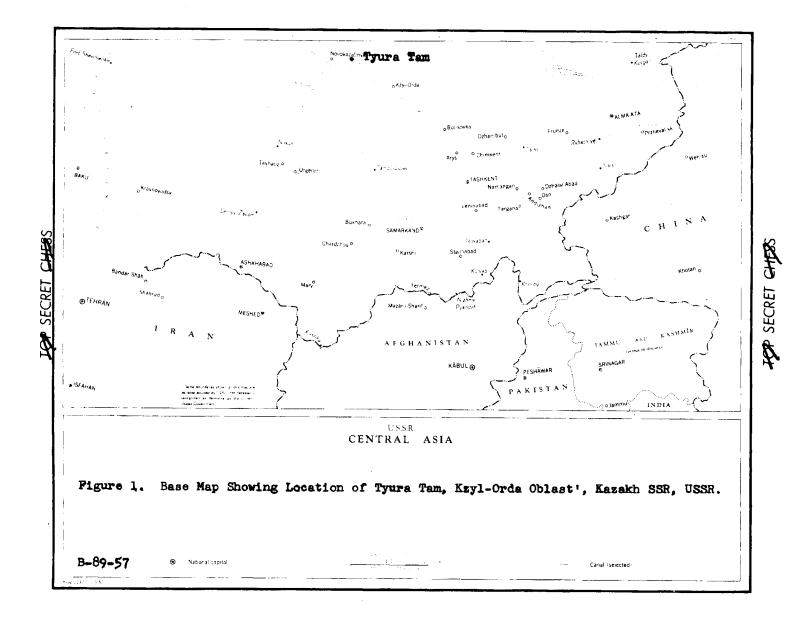
- 1. The baunch area is remote from the main rail line.
- 2. There is a small airfield near the rail head area.
- 3. There is a built up area near the launch area.
- 4. A water main can be traced from the purification plant north toward the launch area.
- 5. A power transmission line runs north from the power plant toward the launch area.
- 6. Considerable effort is being directed toward the construction of supporting components, including a large thermal electric plant, a communication center, and storage facilities.

It should be pointed out that the communication center, although still under construction, has two point-to-point arrays that appear to be complete, and may be operational. Two more arrays with the same configuration (5-3-3-5) are in early stages of construction. The four bases of a rhombic array are complete, and the masts themselves can be seen lying on the ground.

Analysis of the launch area, which appears on oblique photography, requires detailed study using better quality reproductions than are presently available. However, preliminary analysis confirms the referenced Army report, in that there appears to be a portion of a herringbone in addition to several other types of launching facilities.

A joint Army-Navy-CIA project is currently underway at HTAUTOMAT to satisfy the referenced requirement as well as military requirements on the Tyura Tam installation.

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Figure 2. Sketch of Tyura Tam Area

