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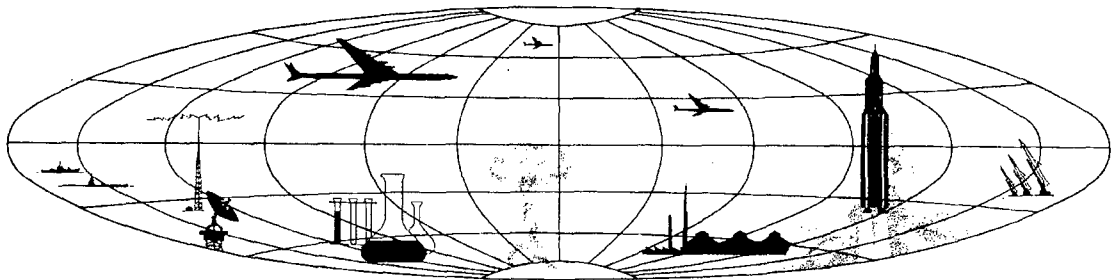
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**PREFACE**

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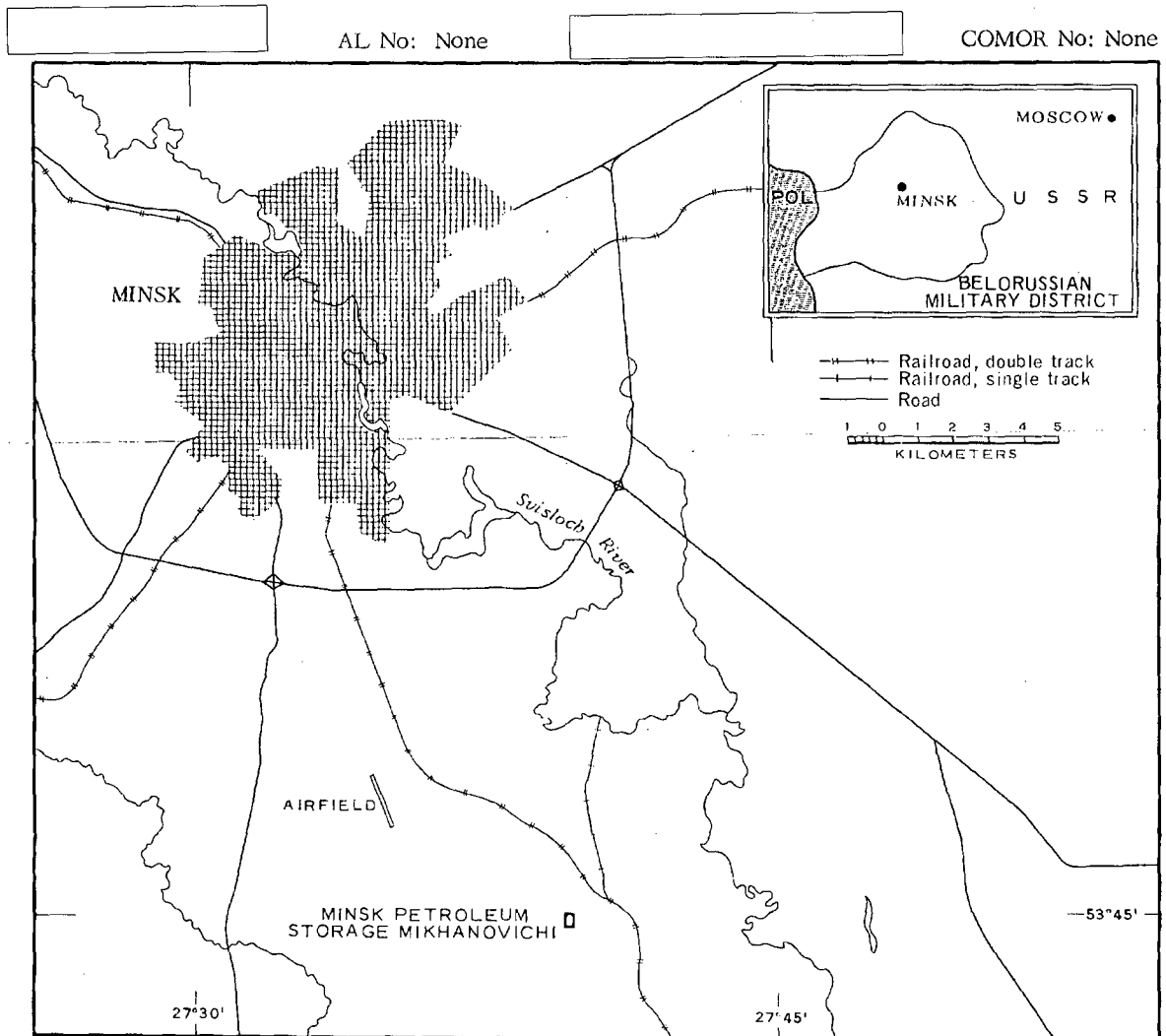
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MINSK PETROLEUM STORAGE MIKHANOVICHI

(53-45N 027-40E)

MINSK, MINSKAYA OBLAST, USSR

BELORUSSIAN MD



**SUMMARY**

Minsk Petroleum Storage Mikhanovichi is located 18 kilometers (km) south-southeast of Minsk (Figure 1). The installation is connected by secondary roads to the Minsk-Marina Gorka highway, but is not rail served. Minsk Army Barracks Uruchye (AL-1) is located 11 km north-east, Minsk/Machulishche Airfield is 5 km northwest, and an SA-2 SAM site is located 2 km west. Other military installations are located in the Minsk area.

The area covers approximately eight acres and contains nine semiburied POL tanks and one support building (Figures 2 and 3). Two

ground scars from the installation to the airfield indicate a possible pipeline connecting the POL storage area to a rail unloading point at the airfield. Small scale photography precludes determination of security measures.

The area is covered by 1956 TALENT photography and five KEYHOLE missions between June 1962 and February 1964. The installation was under construction in July 1956. Eight tanks were observed on June 1962 coverage, the ninth tank was first observed on July 1963 coverage and no additional changes observed as of February 1964 coverage.

**DESCRIPTION OF INSTALLATION**

**Road Service**

A secondary road provides access to the Minsk-Marina Gorka highway.

**POL Storage Area**

There are nine semiburied tanks, each 100 feet in diameter, and one support building. The area was observed being cleared in July 1956. Eight tanks were observed on June 1962 coverage and the ninth tank was first observed on July 1963 coverage.

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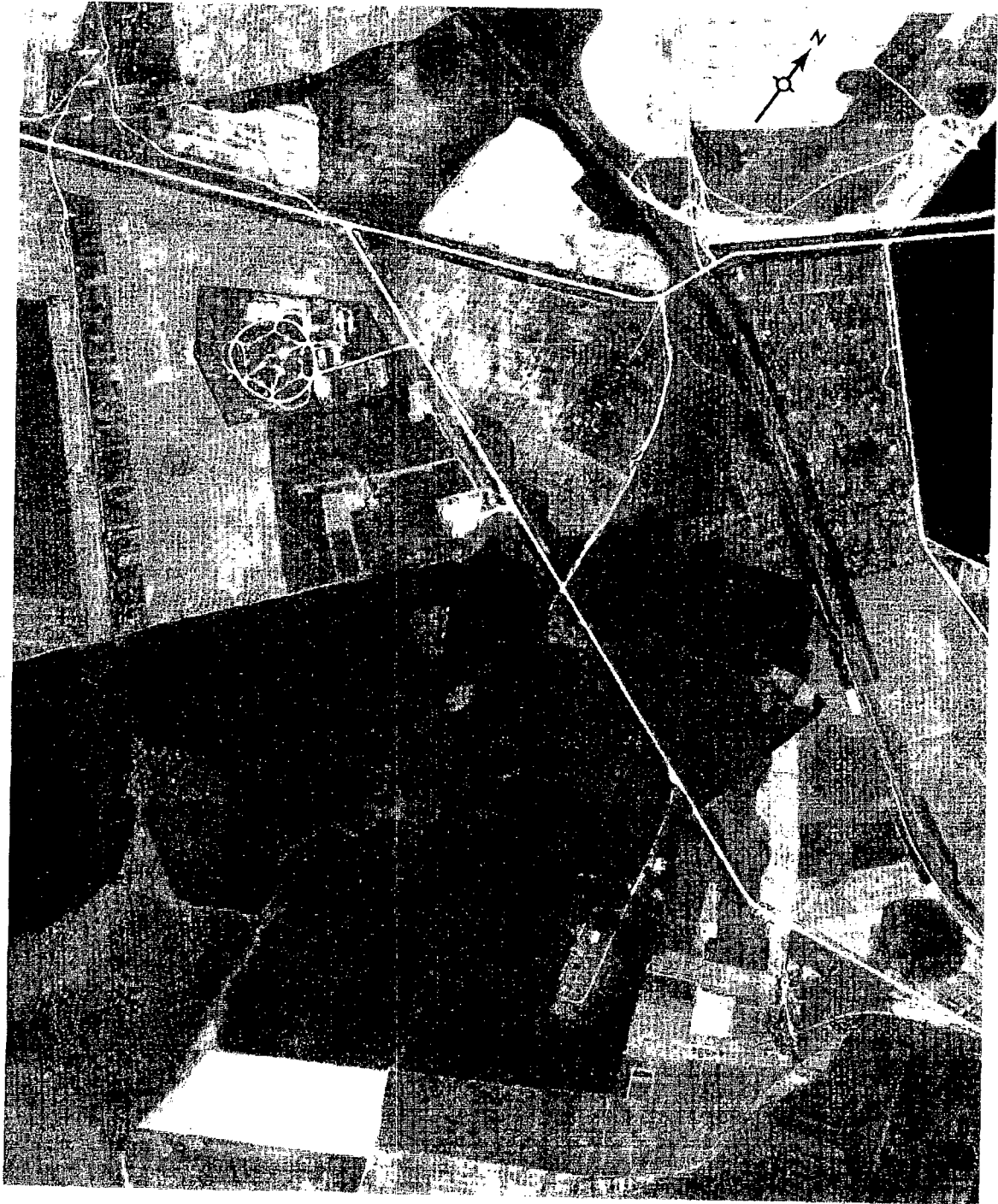


FIGURE 2. MINSK PETROLEUM STORAGE MIKHANOVICHI, JULY 1963.

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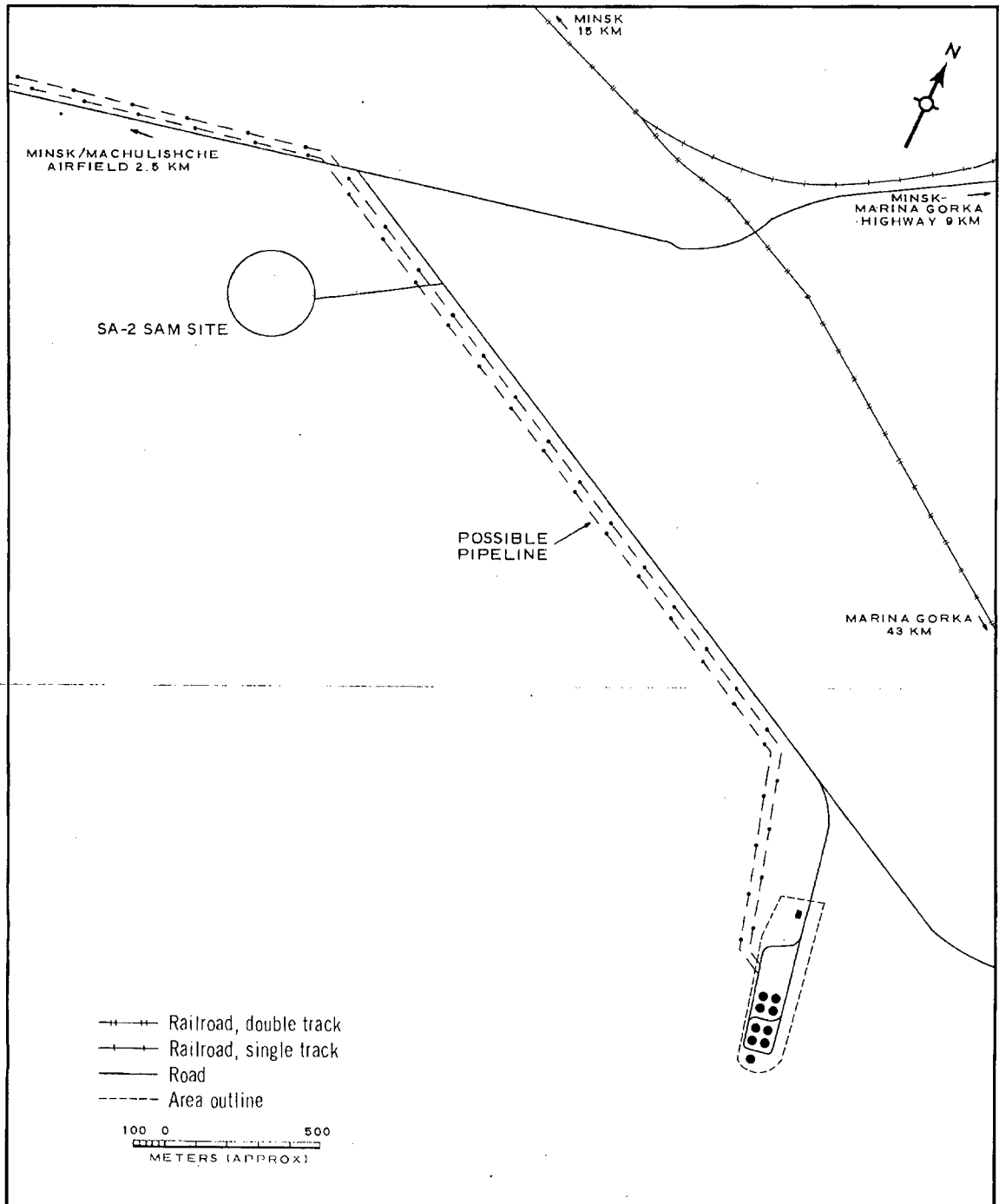


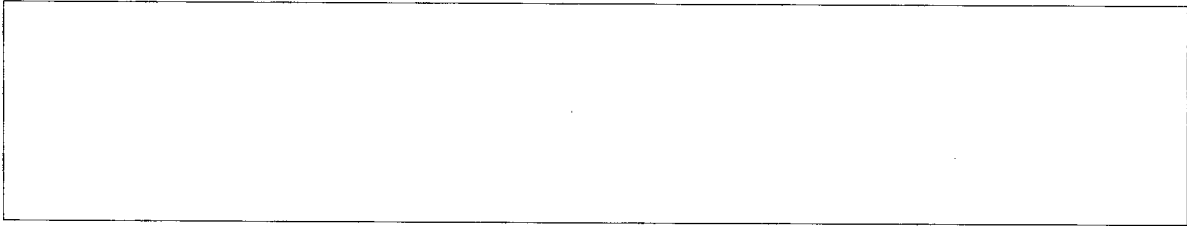
FIGURE 3. MINSK PETROLEUM STORAGE MIKHANOVICHI. Sketch compiled from [redacted] February 1964.

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