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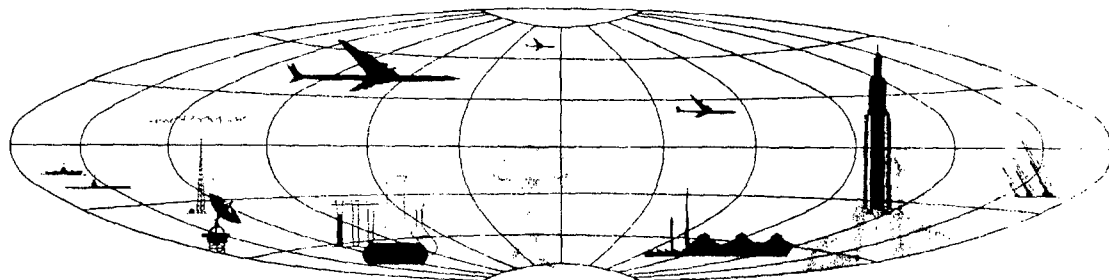
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PREFACE

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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 areas or courses, (S) special training facilities, (T) unidentified facilities or tracking activity.

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DOBELE ARMY TRAINING AREA

(56-38N 023-11E)

DOBELE, LATVIYSKAYA SSR, USSR

BALTIC MD

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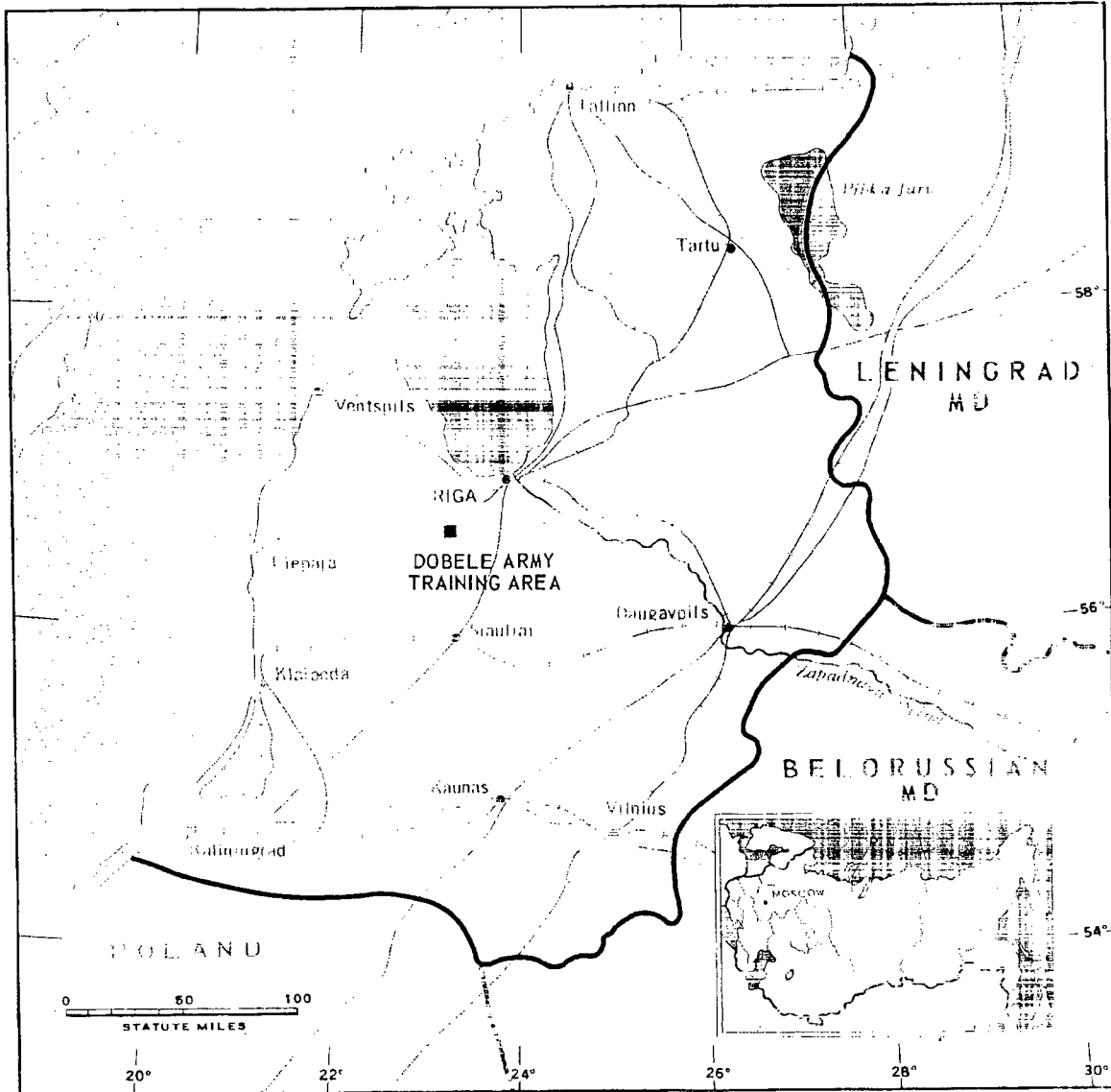


FIGURE 1. LOCATION OF DOBELE ARMY TRAINING AREA, DOBELE, USSR.

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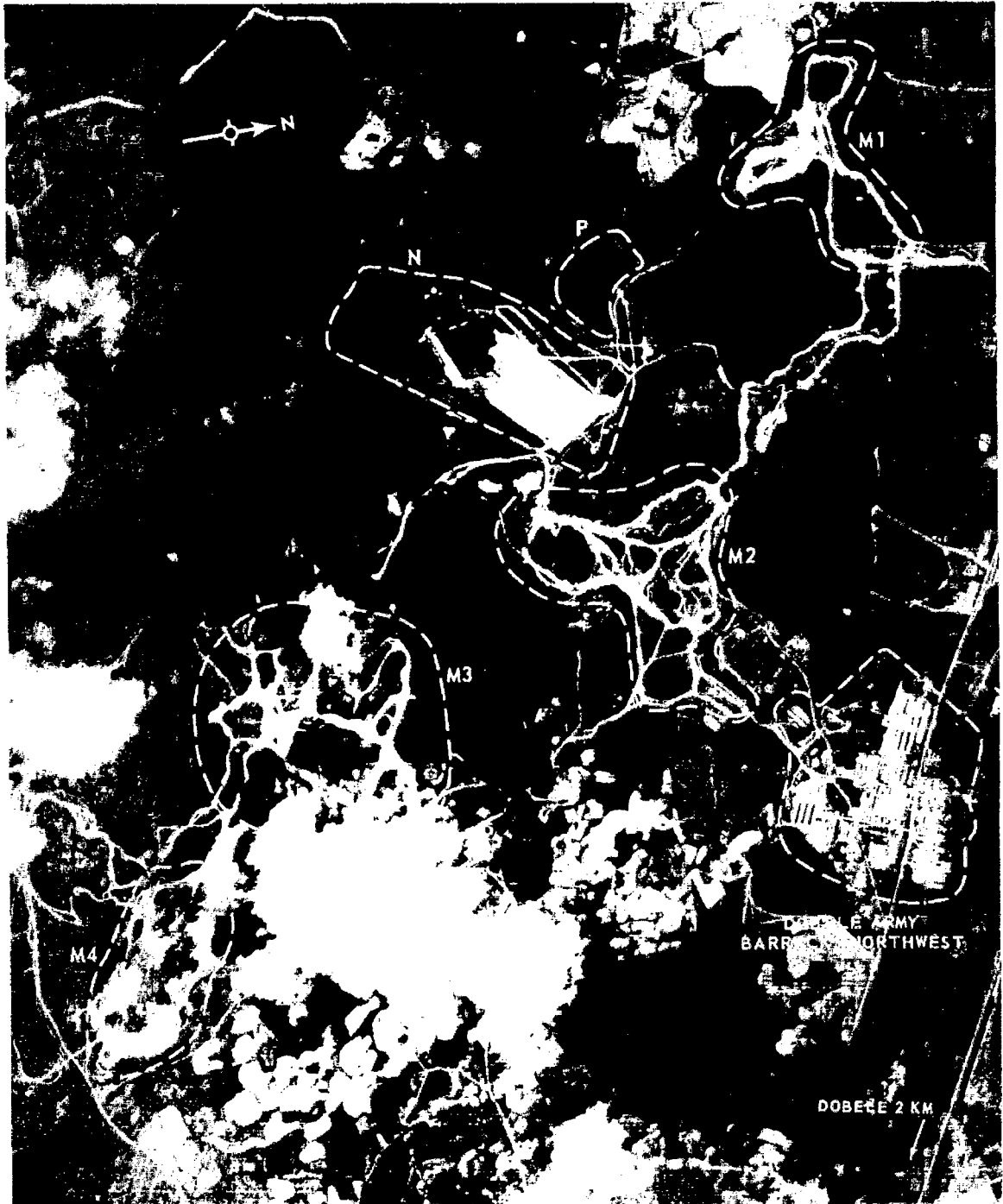


FIGURE 2. DOBELE ARMY TRAINING AREA, DOBELE, USSR, JUNE 1964.

SUMMARY

The Dobele Army Training Area is located approximately 7 kilometers (km) northwest of Dobele (Figure 1).

Dobele Army Barracks Northwest [] [] is adjacent to the training area on the east, and probably provides logistic and administrative support. Units from Dobele Army Barracks [] located 10 km

southeast, may also use this training area.

The Dobele Army Training Area (Figure 2) was covered on photography from 4 KEYHOLE missions between June 1962 and June 1964. A comparative analysis reveals that the activity in this area has increased. Heavy trackage within and between the driver-training courses indicates that the area is very active.

DESCRIPTION OF INSTALLATION

Railroad Service

Rail service is available at Dobele.

Road Service

The area is served by primary and secondary roads from Dobele.

Administration and Troop Housing Area

All logistic and administrative support for the training area is probably provided by Dobele Army Barracks Northwest, which is adjacent to this training area.

Other Buildings

The training area contains several buildings which are probably used for range support.

Driver-Training Areas

Area M1 contains an irregular closed-circuit tracked-vehicle driver-training course.

Area M2 contains several irregular tracked-vehicle driver-training courses.

Area M3 contains several irregular tracked-vehicle driver-training courses.

Area M4 contains a wheeled-vehicle driver-training course.

Several of the tracked-vehicle courses contain narrow objects of various lengths. These may be obstacles or built-up areas on the course which must be traversed or by-passed by the drivers.

Tank/Assault-Gun Firing Range

Area N is a 4,800-foot range with 7 lanes, 6 moving targets, and a line of stationary targets. Four of the lanes are 2,100 feet long and 3 are 1,600 feet long. Only 3 of the moving targets appear to be in use.

Flat-Trajectory Firing Range

Area P is a 1,000-foot range with moving targets. This is a possible automatic-weapons firing range. It appeared active in June 1962; however, it does not appear active on photography of June 1964.

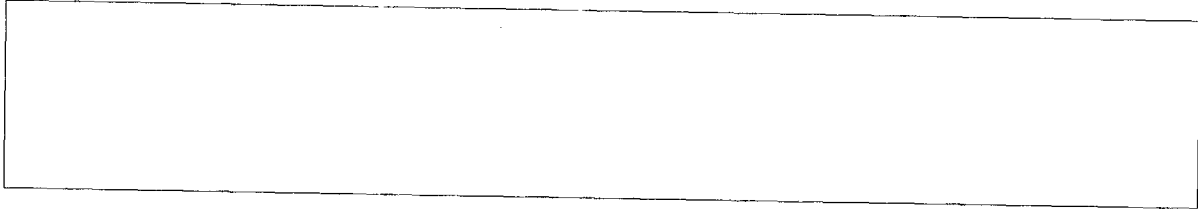
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REQUIREMENT

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