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PREFACE

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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.
BUY ORDNANCE DEPOT WEST
(58-28N 041-31E)
BUY, KOSTROMSKAYA OBLAST, USSR
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FIGURE 1: LOCATION OF BUY ORDNANCE DEPOT WEST.
FIGURE 2. BUY ORDNANCE DEPOT WEST, BUY, USSR, JUNE 1964.
SUMMARY

Buy Ordnance Depot West is located on the southern bank of the Kostroma River, 0.8 kilometers (km) west of Buy (Figure 1).

The installation covers approximately 410 acres and contains 1 barracks/administration building, 5 barracks, 9 barracks/quarters, 9 quarters, 1 vehicle shed, 64 storage buildings, a possible explosives storage building, 12 support buildings, and a small-arms firing range (Figures 2 and 3). A possibly associated tank/assault-gun firing range is located 9 km southwest of the depot near the Buy-Borok highway.

The area is covered on 7 KEYHOLE missions between December 1961 and January 1965. Comparative analysis reveals no apparent change in facilities and a light level of activity.

DESCRIPTION OF INSTALLATION

Road Service
Two all-weather roads provide access to Buy.

Administrative and Troop Housing Area
Area D contains 1 multistory barracks/administration building, 5 multistory barracks (1 L-shaped), and 1 support building.

General Storage Areas
Area E1 contains 7 storage buildings.
Area E2 contains 4 storage buildings.
Area E3 contains 33 storage buildings.
Area E4 contains 20 storage buildings.

Possible Explosives Area
Area F contains 1 possible explosives storage building.

POL Storage Area
Eight medium POL tanks are located at 58.27N 041.32E.

Other Buildings
Area H1 contains 5 support buildings.
Area H2 contains 9 quarters-type buildings and 9 quarters/barracks.

Equipment Storage/Maintenance Area
Area J contains 1 vehicle shed, 460 by 20 feet, and 5 support buildings.

Small-Arms Firing Range
Area L contains a 690- by 150-foot small-arms firing range and 1 support building.

Tank/Assault-Gun Firing Range
Area N contains a 4,600-foot tank/assault-gun firing range with one 2,500-foot firing lane and 4 moving-target-runs. The range (not shown on Figures 2 or 3) is located on the Buy-Borok highway, approximately 9 km southwest of Buy.
FIGURE 3. BUY ORDNANCE DEPOT WEST. Sketch compiled from January 1965.
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MAPS OR CHARTS

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REQUIREMENT

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