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1. IN ANSWER TO THE ABOVE REFERENCE NPIC [] HAS THE FOLLOWING REPLY:

2. WE AGREE THAT THE RAIL LINES EXPLAIN THE LACK OF ROADS.

3. FROM THE PHOTOGRAPHIC EVIDENCE WE CAN ONLY SAY THAT AN EXPLOSION DID OCCUR IN 1965. IT MAY HAVE BEEN CAUSED AS SUGGESTED BY [] OR FOR OTHER REASONS.

4. IT IS THOUGHT THAT THE PROPELLANT IS DELIVERED FROM THE 2 MIX BUILDINGS AS A CONVEYABLE SOLID RATHER THAN BY A PROCESS OF THE INERT DILUENT TYPE. THE KAMENSK PLANT APPEARS TO BE BASICALLY A BATCH-TYPE OPERATION. THIS WOULD ACCOUNT FOR THE RELATIVELY SMALL NUMBER OF ONLY 3 CASTING BUILDINGS AND THE RATHER LARGE NUMBER OF AT LEAST 6 CURING BUILDINGS. A DIFFERENT FORMULATION MIGHT BE PRODUCED AT EACH OF THE 3 CASTING BUILDINGS.

5. DOUBLE AND PERHAPS MULTIPLE PIPELINES CAN BE SEEN INTER-CONNECTING SEVERAL OF THE BUILDINGS ON MISSION 4027. THIS IS THOUGHT TO REPRESENT CLUSTERING OF STEAMLINES AND MATERIAL PIPELINES.

6. THE THREE LARGE BUILDINGS SOUTH OF THE CURING BUILDING IN THE NEW AREA OF THE PLANT ARE IDENTIFIED AS PROBABLE ASSEMBL

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BUILDINGS. MILLING AND MACHINING OPERATIONS ARE POSSIBLY DONE IN THE 2 LARGE PARTIALLY REVETTED BUILDINGS ALONG THE SOUTH FENCE. THE BUILDING AT KAMENSK LOCATED WEST OF THE 3 LARGE BUILDINGS AND ITS COMPANION WHICH IS UNDER CONSTRUCTION LOCATED TO THE SW ARE INDEED SIMILAR TO THE SMALL DIVIDED BUILDINGS AT INIDAN HEAD NPP WHICH ARE CURING BUILDINGS FOR SMALL ROCKETS OF THE SAM BOOSTER TYPE. IF THE TWO KAMENSK BUILDINGS ARE ALSO CURING BUILDINGS, THEN THE 3 BUILDINGS ALONG THE SOUTHWEST FENCE AND ACROSS THE RAIL SPUR FROM THE 3 LARGE BUILDINGS MAY BE LAG STORAGE OR FINISHED PRODUCT STORAGE RATHER THAN CURING BUILDINGS. IN ANY EVENT TWO TYPES OF CURING BUILDINGS AT THIS PLANT MAY INDICATE THAT AT LEAST TWO SIZES OF MOTORS COULD BE PRODUCED HERE. COULD THE PRESENCE OF A DOUBLE BASE PLANT, WITH A DIFFERENT CASTING FACILITY AND OFFSET BUILDINGS WHICH MAY BE CURING BUILDINGS, IMPLY THAT A THIRD TYPE OF MOTOR IS MANUFACTURED IN KAMENSK? DOES THIS THIRD TYPE OF MOTOR MAKE THE PRODUCTION OF A THREE STAGE SOLID PROPELLANT ROCKET SEEM TOO IMPROBABLE?

7. RECENT COVERAGE OF STERLITAMAK FROM MISSION 4030, CONFIRMS THE PRESENCE OF A TEST CELL UNDER CONSTRUCTION WHICH APPEARS VERY SIMILAR TO THE TYPE SEEN AT BIYSK AND KRASNOYARSK. THIS CORROBORATES THE COMPARISON OF TEST CELLS AND OFFSET BUILDINGS PRESENTED BY [] AT THE LAST [] CON-
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