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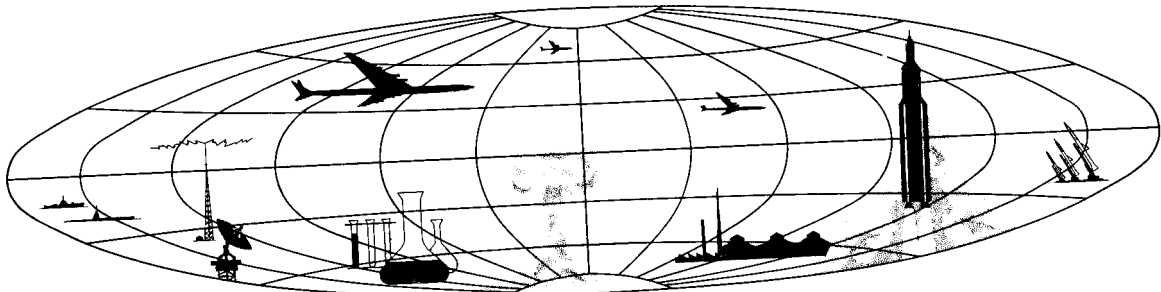
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AMS Series N501, Sheet NK38-2 (U) NPIC Project J-120/63 (partial answer)

A newly identified MRBM launch complex is located in the Caucasus Mountains near the town of Ordzhonikidze and approximately 32 nm WSW of Groznyy. It is composed of two soft MRBM launch areas (Type I) and a hardened MRBM/IRBM launch area (Type IV). The

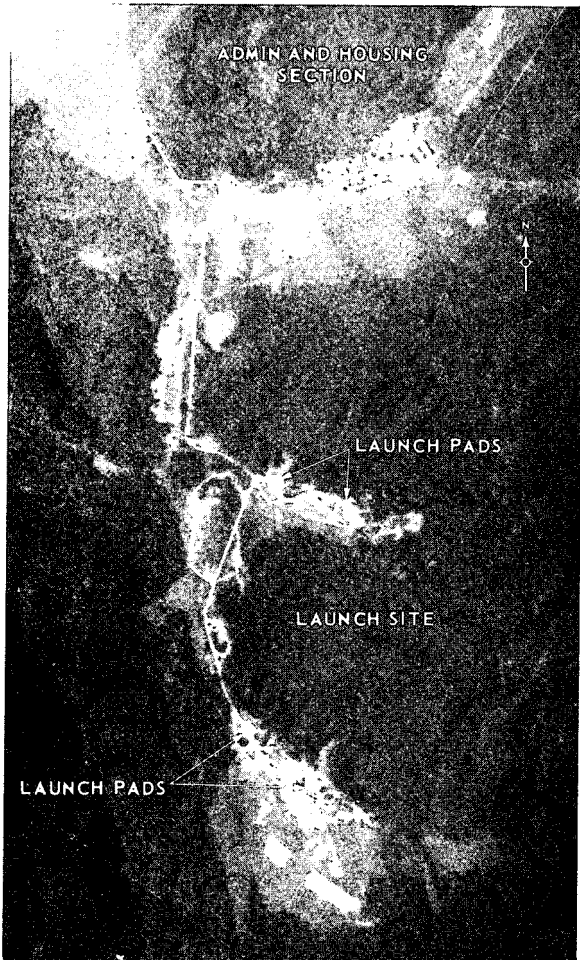
completed launch complex was partially visible, although not identifiable, [REDACTED]

was observed on fair-quality photography on KEYHOLE [REDACTED]

The two soft MRBM launch areas are connected directly by good road to the rail-served town of Nazran; the hardened launch area is connected to the rail-served city of Ordzhonikidzevskaya.

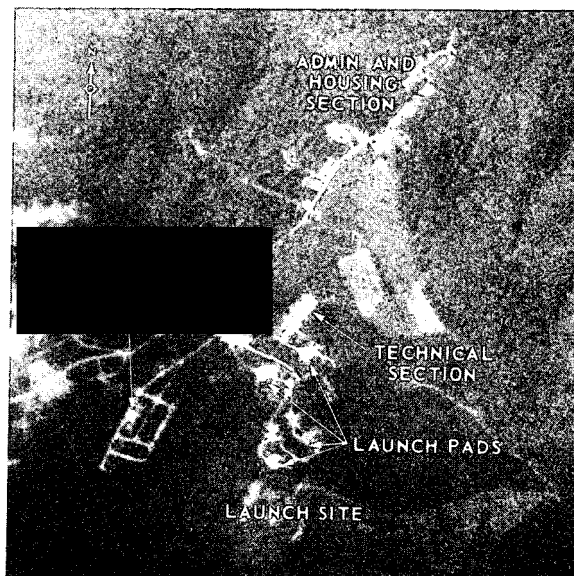
MRBM LAUNCH AREA 1 (SUNZHENSKOYE)

The southern launch area (Figure 1) is located at 43-08-00N 44-55-15E, 6 nm NE of Sunzhenskoye. The launch area consists of an irregularly configured Type I launch site and an administration and housing section con-



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FIGURE 1. MRBM LAUNCH AREA 1 (SUNZHENSKOYE)



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FIGURE 2. MRBM LAUNCH AREA 2 (NESTEROVSKAYA)

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