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MILITARY TRAINING AREA ZHITOMIR, USSR CARPATHIAN MD



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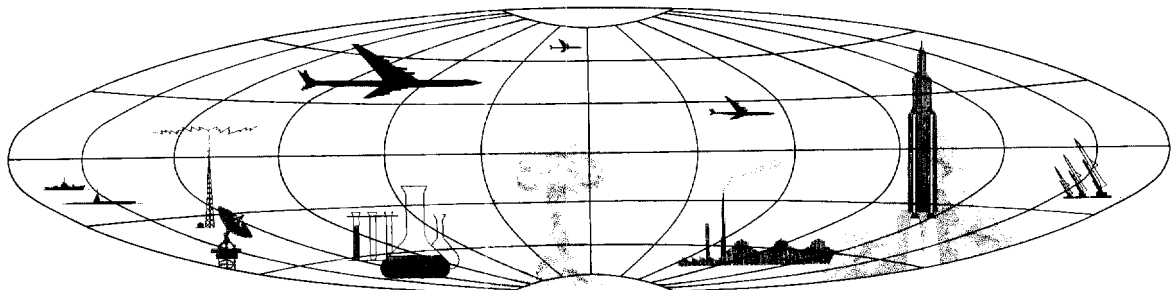
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MILITARY TRAINING AREA

(50-11N 028-34E)

ZHITOMIR, ZHITOMIRSKAYA OBLAST, USSR

CARPATHIAN MD

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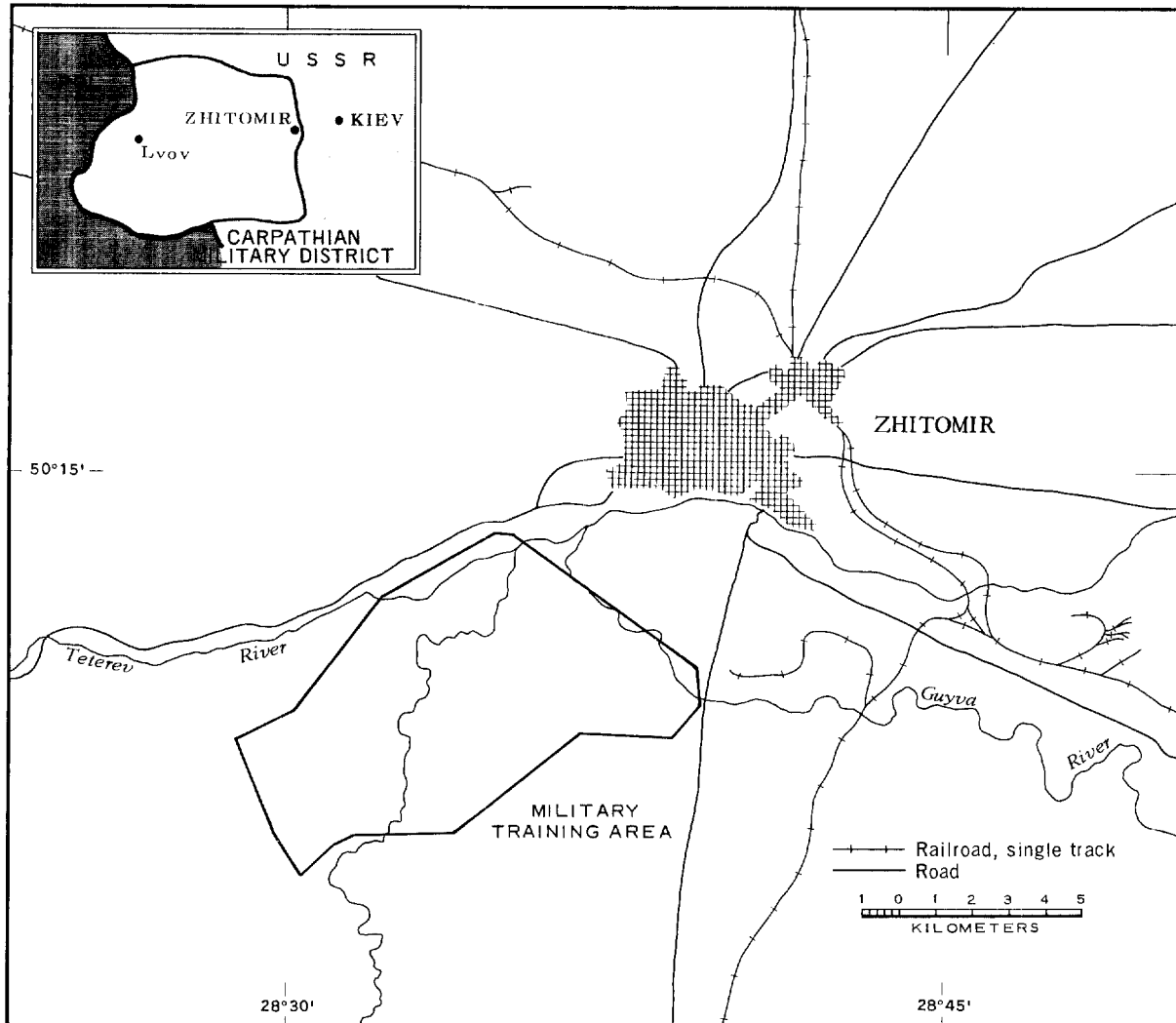


FIGURE 1. LOCATION OF MILITARY TRAINING AREA.

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SUMMARY

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This military training area, which covers approximately 28,000 acres, is located 11 kilometers southwest of Zhitomir (Figure 1). Zhitomir Army Barracks South [REDACTED] is adjacent to the eastern edge of the training area. The installation is not directly rail served, but rail service is available at Zhitomir Army Barracks South. Road service is provided by secondary roads from Zhitomir and from the barracks.

Facilities at the training area consist of one tracked-vehicle driver-training area, two wheeled-vehicle driver-training courses, six small-arms ranges, three tank/assault-gun firing ranges, and a probable combined-arms field

training area. Located to the rear of the tank/assault-gun firing ranges are two probable vehicle maintenance buildings and several C-shaped buildings which may be used for small unit administration during bivouac on the ranges.

A comparative study of KEYHOLE photography from [REDACTED] reveals no major changes in the training area except the addition of two small-arms ranges. The training area appears to receive heavy usage during the summer months. [REDACTED] photography reveals light usage in the vicinity of the tank/assault-gun firing ranges, but none in any of the other areas.

25X1D

25X1D

DESCRIPTION OF INSTALLATION

Railroad Service

Rail service for the training area is available at Zhitomir Army Barracks South, which is adjacent to the eastern edge of the training area. The barracks is served by a spur from the Zhitomir-Berdichev railroad.

Road Service

Road service is provided by secondary roads from Zhitomir and the barracks area.

Aircraft Landing Strip

There are no landing strips in the training area; however, Zhitomir/Skomorokhi Airfield is located approximately 4 kilometers from the training area.

Administrative and Troop Housing Area

Administrative and logistic support are probably provided by Zhitomir Army Barracks South.

Other Buildings

There are four C-shaped buildings with 110-by 50-foot bases and 50-by 50-foot wings behind each of the tank/assault-gun firing ranges. They are probably administration buildings for unit bivouac areas. Possible tent areas are observed adjacent to three of these buildings in Area N1.

Twelve various-sized buildings in the vicinity of the tank/assault-gun firing ranges are probably used for range support.

Equipment Storage/Maintenance Areas

Area J1 and Area J2 each has a C-shaped building with a 500-by 70-foot base and 150-by 70-foot wings. These are probably vehicle maintenance buildings. There is one in the vicinity of each tank/assault-gun firing range.

Small-Arms Firing Ranges

Areas L1, L2, L3, and L6 are 300-by 75-foot small-arms firing ranges. Area L4

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25X1D is a 1,000- by 75-foot small-arms range and
Area L5 is a 300- by 150-foot small-arms
range. Areas L1-L4 were first observed in
25X1D [REDACTED] and Areas L5 and L6 were first
observed in [REDACTED]

25X1D **Driver-Training Areas**

25X1D Area M1 contains several irregular-shaped,
closed-circuit tracked-vehicle, driver-training
courses.

25X1D Area M2, first observed in [REDACTED]
contains two figure-8 wheeled-vehicle driver-
training courses.

Tank/Assault-Gun Firing Ranges

Area N1 is a 5,100-foot firing range with
ten 1,600-foot lanes, ten 2,800-foot lanes, and
17 moving targets.

Area N2 is a 4,500-foot firing range with
eight 2,500-foot lanes, two 1,500-foot lanes,
and 12 moving targets.

Area N3 is a 5,200-foot firing range with
seven 4,800-foot lanes.

All tank/assault-gun firing ranges were first
observed in [REDACTED]

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Combined-Arms Field Training Area

Area R contains numerous ground scars
and is probably a combined-arms field train-
ing course.

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FIGURE 2. MILITARY TRAINING AREA, ZHITOMIR, USSR

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