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BRASOV, RUMANIA

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BRASOV, RUMANIA

The Orasul Petroleum Refinery, primarily a lubricating oil plant, is one of the principal Rumanian refineries. It reportedly produces all of the 90-viscosity index lubricating oils in Rumania.

This refinery, located in Brasov, 75 miles NNW of Bucharest, was severely damaged by bombing in 1944. [REDACTED] photography indicates that it has been rebuilt and expanded within its 1943 area limits. Damaged buildings have been reconstructed, often in different shapes, and new buildings have been added. The number, size, and arrangement of tanks has been changed.

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The following series of photographs include views of the refinery prior to and following World War II damage, and an annotated [REDACTED] photo on which the major components of the refinery are identified and described. It is to be noted that there is no photographic evidence of atmospheric or vacuum stills in this refinery, but item 11 on the annotated photograph is thought to consist of shell stills.

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KEY

1. Offices and personnel building, 125'x 25'.
2. Multi-story building, shops and storage, 435'x 75'.
3. Storage building, 95'x 75'.
4. Solvent unit, 40'x 30'.
5. Office building, 85'x 40'.
6. 17 processing tanks and small building.
7. 12 processing tanks.
8. Storage building, 55'x 25'.
9. Boiler house, 75'x 35'.
10. Pump house, 80'x 20'.
11. Probable shell stills, 110'x 65'.
12. Crude oil storage; 4 tanks, 40' diameter.
13. 7 oil storage tanks: 5, [REDACTED] 1, 30'dia.
14. 13 tanks: 5, 20'dia.; 3, [REDACTED] 2, 30'dia.; 1, 25'dia.
15. Unidentified building, 85'x 35'.
16. Storage building, 265'x 35'.
17. Power house, 130'x 30'.
18. Shop building, 120'x 65'.
19. Dewaxing unit: compressor building, 135'x 50'; chiller house, 135'x 60'; centrifuge building, 135'x 40'.
20. Cooling towers and storage tanks.
21. Small distillation unit.
22. Unidentified building, 80'x 30'.
23. Unidentified two-story building, 85'x 35'.
24. 4 tanks, 20' diameter.
25. Grease processing building, 200'x 100'.
26. Storage building, 55'x 20'.
27. Administration building, 95'x 25'.

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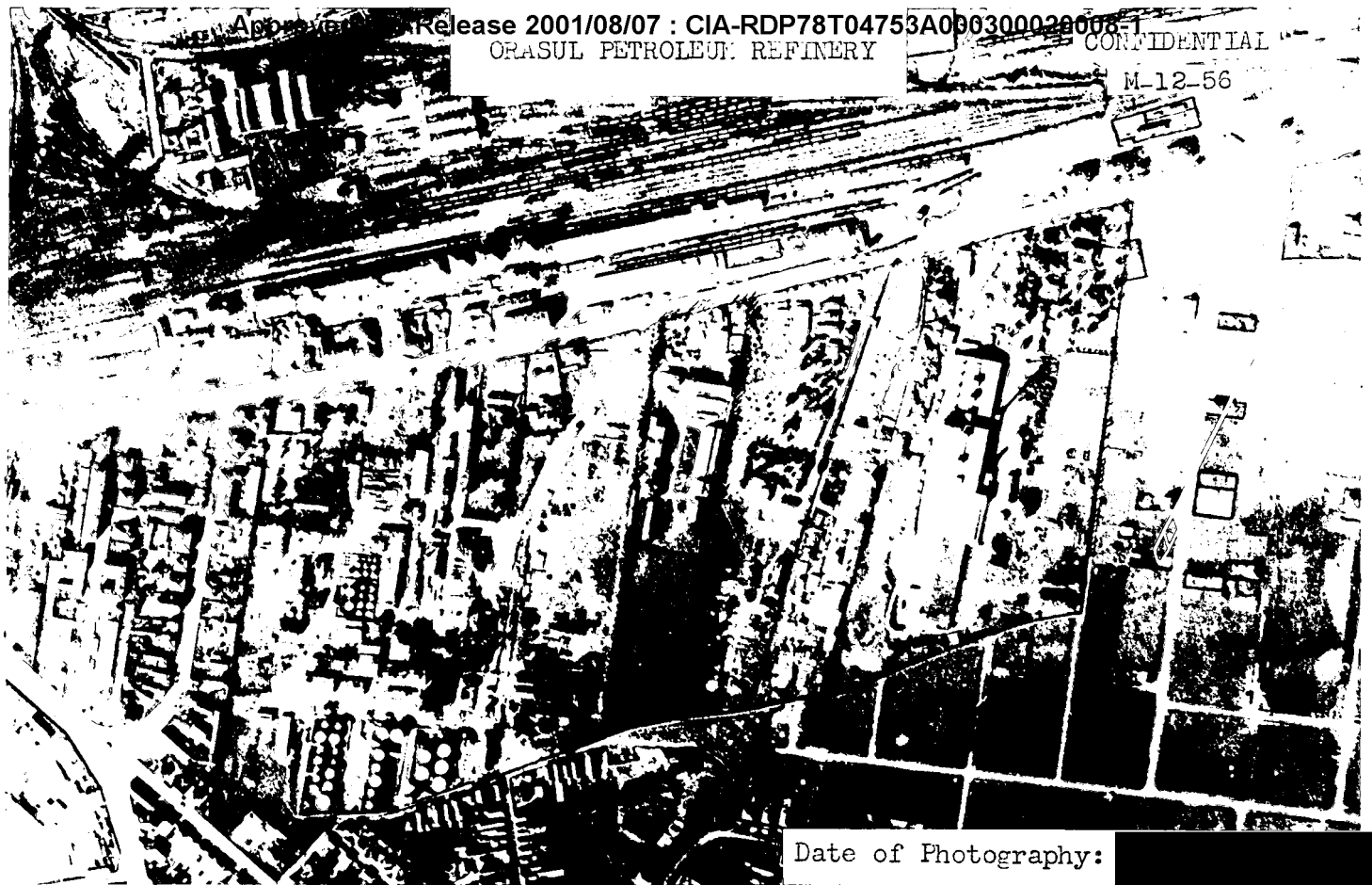
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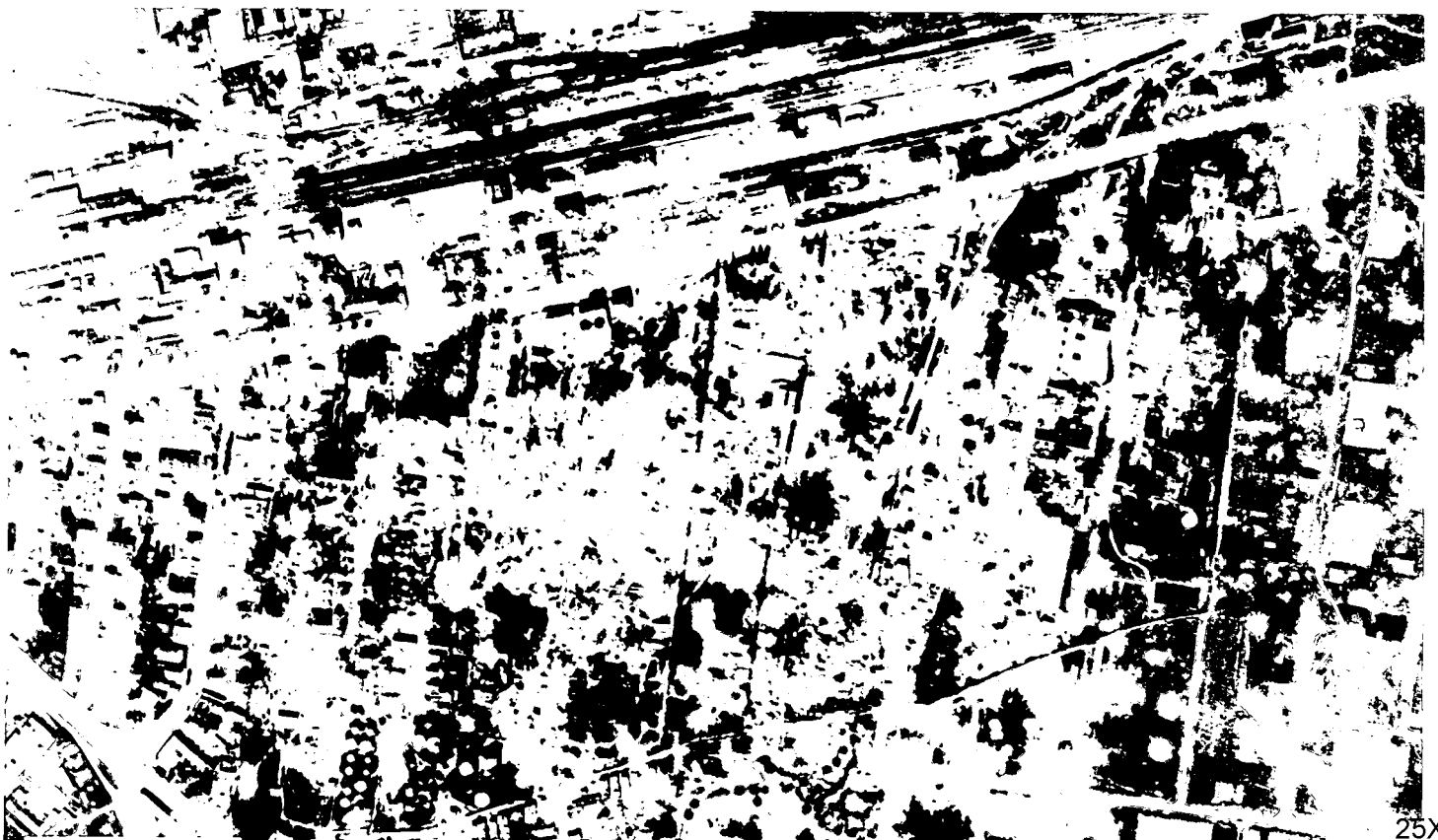
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Date of Photography: [REDACTED]

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REQUIREMENT: Prepared in answer to RR/HTA/E/R97/56 requesting the location, numbers, and dimensions of the various types of equipment existing in the Orasul Petroleum Refinery, Brasov, Rumania, and any evidence of new construction or expansion.

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