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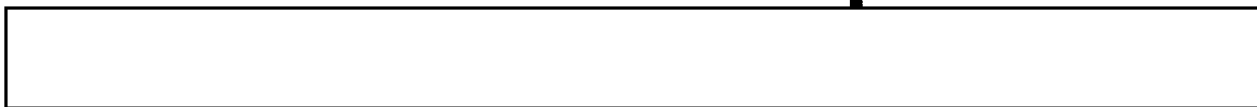
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The Aksai Chin Area in the Ladakh region of Jammu-Kashmir is still under control of the Chinese, according to photography [redacted]. This area was originally occupied by the Chinese in late 1959 or early 1960 (Figure 1). Recent collateral information has referred to Chinese activities at Tienwienton, Hot Spring, and Spanggur.

Thirteen facilities within the Jammu-Kashmir area have been identified on photography as being under Chinese control based on road networks, Chinese inscriptions painted on the ground, or clear lack of access from India. These facilities are described below and annotated on the attached map (Figure 2). The border claimed by China, on the east slope of the Karakoram mountain range, is also delineated on Figure 2.

NPIC Project [redacted]

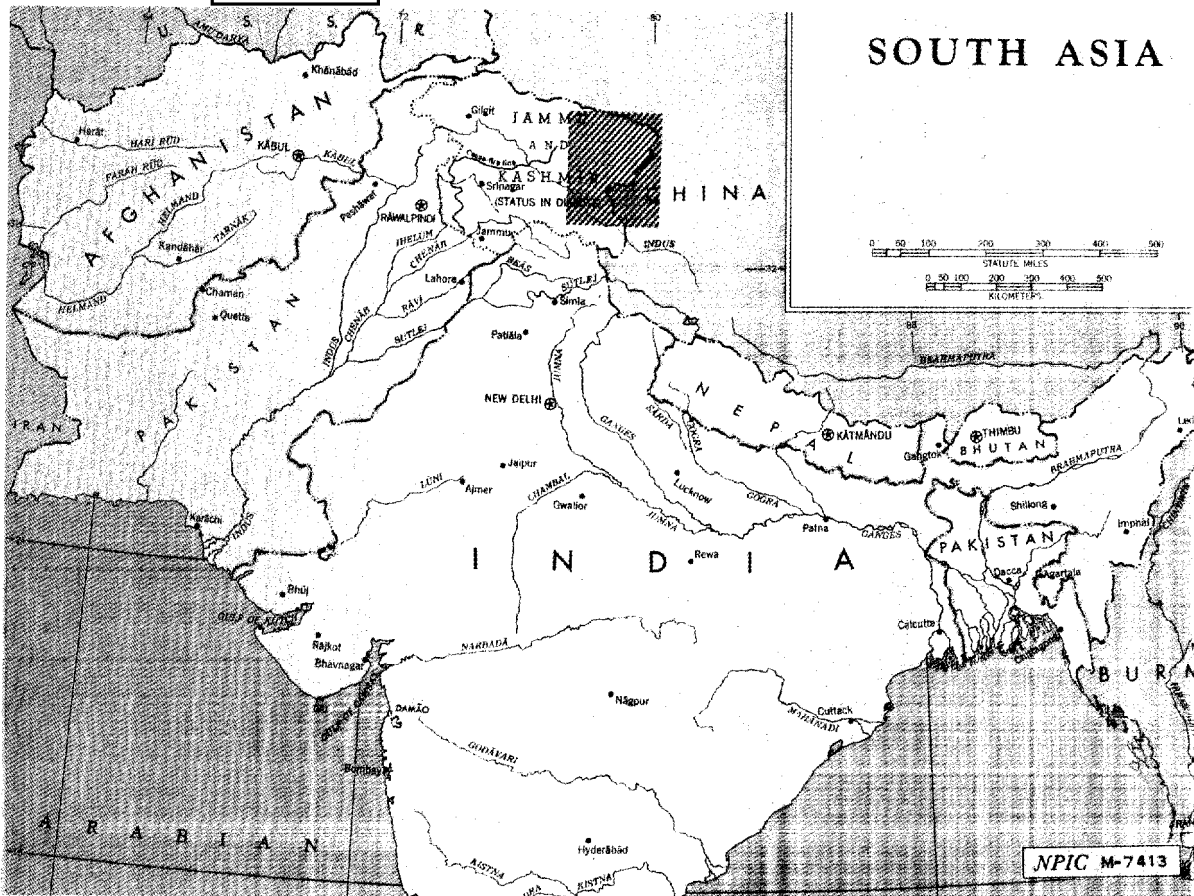


FIGURE 1. GENERAL LOCATION MAP

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1. Haji Langar Army General Supply Depot, 35-58-00N 079-14-00E [redacted] [redacted] The wall secured installation contains three barracks and two support buildings. Immediately outside the walled area are two additional support buildings. Two large probable storage buildings and two earth-covered bunkers are located 2 nautical miles (nm) southeast of the walled installation.

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2. Thaldat Mapho Tang Air Warning Radar Facility, 35-21-00N 079-32-00E -- The unsecured installation contains six barracks-type buildings and 12 support buildings. The presence of radar could not be confirmed.

3. Qara Qash Barracks Area, 35-19-00N 078-48-00E, contains four barracks, one messhall, one support building, and 18 possible tents.

4. Tienwienton Barracks Areas, 35-20-00N 078-16-00E, consists of two areas; one contains five barracks, one messhall, and three support buildings. The other area is located 2 nm southeast and contains three barracks, nine support buildings, and two earth-covered bunkers on a hillside immediately west of the barracks area. Both areas have extensive trenching to the west.

5. Daulat Beg Oldi Strongpoint, 35-21-00N 078-11-00E, consists of a circular trench system with more than 12 bunkers and two cellular, roofed possible barracks buildings. A wire fence is located along the western edge of the installation.

6. Qara Qash Border Outpost, 35-01-00N 078-35-00E, contains ten buildings of various sizes. A strongpoint is located on a hilltop immediately to the west.

7. Sarugh Barracks Area, 34-43-00N 079-17-00E, contains three barracks, one L-shaped possible messhall, and one support building.

8. Hot Spring Border Outpost, 34-26-00N 078-56-00E, contains three probable earth-covered bunkers and approximately 15 small support buildings/bunkers.

9. Tsogstsolu Border Outpost, 34-20-00N 079-06-00E, contains three barracks-type buildings, two storage buildings, and five support buildings. Four probable vehicle revetments and a possible 6-gun AAA site are located 1 nm east of the installation.

10. Tsogstsolu Tent Camps, 34-20-00N 079-15-00E, contains six tent camps scattered along the Clang Chenmo River in an area about 6 nm long by 3 nm wide. The camps contain a total of approximately 80 tents and one probable 6-gun AAA site. A chinese inscription is on a hillside to the east of the camps.

11. Tingpotsangpu Border Outpost, 33-46-00N 078-59-00E, contains three barracks-type buildings and four support buildings. A strongpoint is located on a hilltop immediately northwest of the installation.

12. Spanggur Border Outpost, 33-33-00N 078-48-00E, contains four barracks-type buildings and three support buildings (Figure 3). A trench system is located immediately west of the installation and a Chinese inscription "Long live" or "10,000 years Chairman Mao" is on a hillside immediately to the northwest.

13. Chushul Strongpoint, 33-30-00N 078-53-00E, contains one barracks-type building with extensive trenching to the west. The strongpoint is located on a hilltop 1 nm south of Spanggur Lake.

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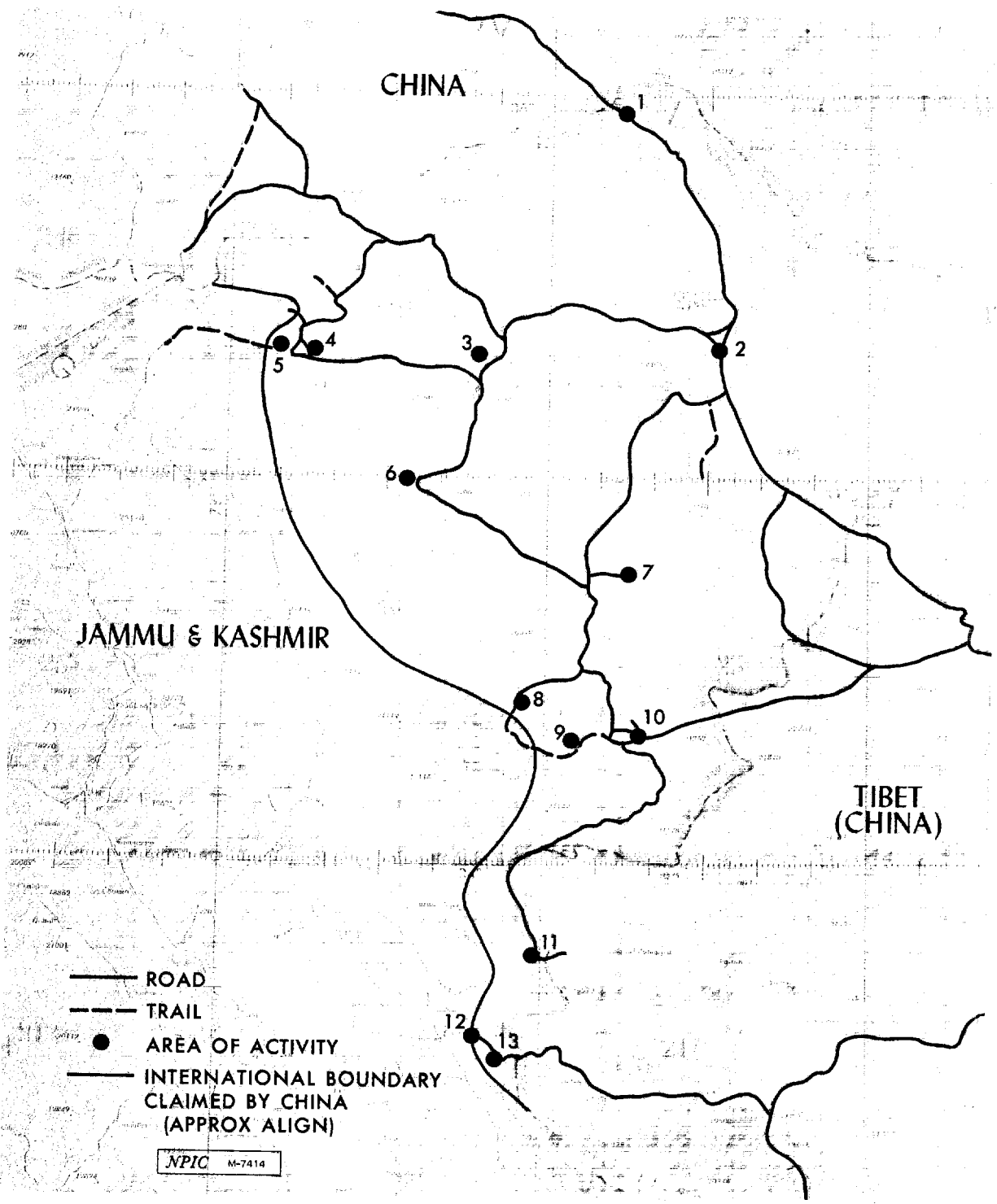


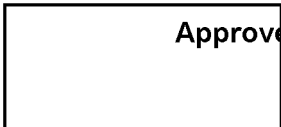
FIGURE 2. AREAS OF MILITARY ACTIVITY

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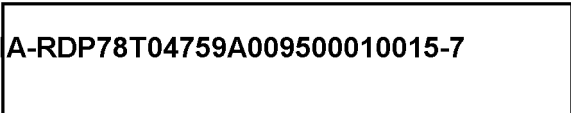
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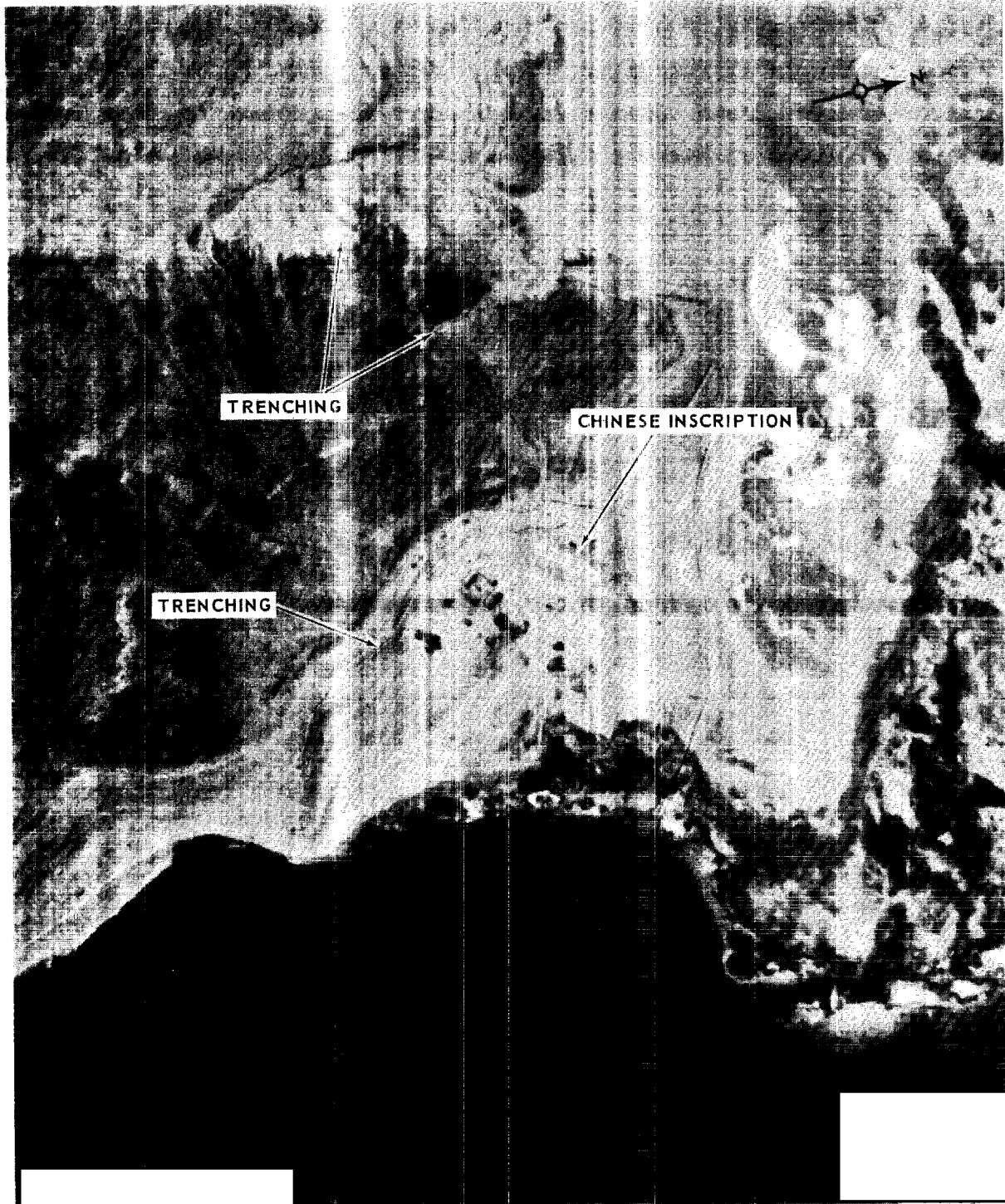
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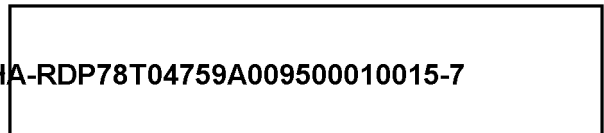


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FIGURE 3. SPANNGUR BORDER OUTPOST, 33-33-00N 078-48-00E

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