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SUBJECT : Tracking Facility

NO

: PIC/JB-69/60

LOCATION: Approximately 160 nm WNW

DATE : 19 April 1960

of Sary Shagan, USSR

245

COORD: 46055'N 70010'E

(Approx.)

PHOTO DATA:

Mission

WAC

Camera

Frames

Date

Scale

25X1D

REMARKS:

This brief, which identifies a tracking facility located at approximately 46°55'N/70°10'E, about 160 nautical miles west-northwest of Sary Shagan, USSR is the result of a preliminary photographic analysis. The facility consists of three tracking devices, a probable microwave communications antenna, and a housing/support area containing about 20 buildings. The three tracking devices are: an interferometer-type site under construction, a TOKEN-type radar, and three instrumentation buildings with 20-foot-diameter domes in a fenced area. The interferometer-type site is enclosed by a circular ground scar and a fence; centered within the site is a ground scar forming a plus configuration. Each of the four legs of the plus measures approximately 205 feet in length. This facility is approximately 20 nautical miles south of the facility identified in CIA/PIC/JB-68/60.

NOTE: Because of the poor quality of base maps of this area and the scattered cloud cover on the photography, it is emphasized that the geographic positioning of this facility is only approximate at this time.

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