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TITLE/SIGNIFICANCE:

NEW ICBM SILOS UNDER CONSTRUCTION IN CHINA

COMMENT: Two new ICBM silos have recently been identified in China. Both are in an early stage of construction and the most significant feature is a large rectangular cover (21 to 26 meters long on each side). The cover hides the silo excavation. The new silos, like all found thus far in China, are built on the side of a hill. The hillside is terraced in order to form a level apron for the silo. Most important is the identification of adits or spoil from caves under construction about 44 meters below the silo apron. About 50 housing buildings and pieces of concrete mixing equipment were seen near each site.

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LOCATION(S)

LO-NING, CHINA 34-21N 111-50E

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