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LAUNCH TUBE/CANISTER AT ABM LAUNCH POSITION, SITE 3, LAUNCH COMPLEX F, SARY-SHAGAN MTC, USSR (TSR)

(TSR) A launch tube/canister (Figure 1) was observed	25 X 1
on the concrete apron at Site 3, Launch	25X1
Complex F, Sary-Shagan Missile Test Center (MTC), USSR. The apron is	
part of an aboveground ABM launch position which is still under construc-	
tion. The launch tube/canister featured at least two	25X1
support rings and a base flange.	25X1
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the launch tube/canister was installed horizontally (Figure	25X1
2) in the launcher mechanism at the test position. The launch tube/	
canister was secured by a framework which overhangs	25 X 1
the forward edge of the launch position flame bucket and probably serves	
to elevate t <u>he launch tu</u> be/canister to the desired firing angle. The	
framework is above the base of the flame bucket. A fixed-	25 X 1
firing azimuth of 285 degrees is suggested by the fan-shaped instrumenta-	
tion array to the rear of the launch position. With the installation of	
the launch tube/canister, this new launch position is approaching opera-	
tional status.	25X1

(TSR) The new aboveground launch position is collocated with two incomplete missile launch silos at Site 3; all were begun in July 1976. The missile intended for these silos and the new aboveground launch position has not yet been determined.

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