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[REDACTED] the report describe what is alleged to be a munitions depot 7½ kilometers west of Tab; [REDACTED] describe a Soviet military camp about five kilometers north-northeast of Tab; and the remainder of the report deals with rail construction, agricultural activity and, briefly, Hungarian air-fields. Four maps [REDACTED] are attached to the report.

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HUNGARY: REPORT ON MILITARY, INDUSTRIAL, AGRICULTURAL,  
AND TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES

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A - HUNGARIAN GROUND FORCES

a - Ammunition (?) Depot at MADARASI ERDO, 7.5 kilometers west of TAB,  
south of the rail line

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The depot was completed in 1950. The dirt road used to transport the building materials was improved in 1952 to serve the depot.

It is located near MADARASI ERDO, south of the SIOFOK-ST. [?] SOMOGYMEGGYES rail line, on a small hill, as shown on attached Sketch No. 1. Its administrative agency is not known.

Description: Note - The numbers listed correspond to those appearing on attached Sketch No. 1.

- (1) Strip about 10 meters wide adjacent to rail track, covered with shrubbery.
- (2) Strip about 10 meters wide in which grass is constantly cut.
- (3) Surrounding single wire fence, about 3 meters high.
- (4) Wooden watchtowers, about 8 meters high (.).
- (5) Spotlights and lampposts to illuminate the grass strips inside the northern boundary of the compound, and the area of the depot (-).
- (6) Service road of the depot, unpaved, about 4 meters wide.
- (7) Entrance.

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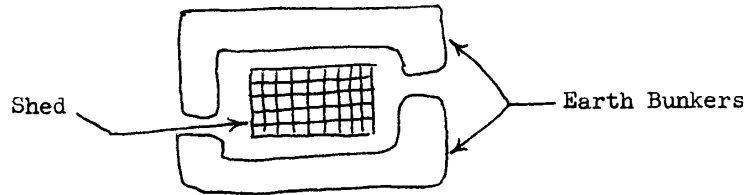
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The buildings consist of an undetermined number of sheds, surrounded by earth bunkers as protection against explosions. They are more or less like the following sketch:



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The area of the compound is about 800 by 1,000 meters, and is located in a woody tract. The surrounding ground is covered by the same vegetation.

There is no rail connection. Freight arrives by rail to the SOMOGYMEGGYES Station, and from there is transported to the depot by motor vehicles using the service road.

The stored materiel consists of ammunition (?) of unknown type and caliber. [REDACTED] it is all contained in boxes of different sizes, some of which took four men to handle. [REDACTED] the depot now stores materiel which employed 800 railroad cars to move. The operation required the use of an unknown number of workers for many months.

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The personnel employed in handling and storing the materiel wore rubber-soled shoes.

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[REDACTED] when the Hungarian armed forces were divided into four army corps (before the revolution), the ammunition from this depot was sent to the units of the Southwest Region Army Corps. Its present destination is not known.

Security, observed at a distance, includes guards equipped with sub-machine guns posted on the watchtowers along the depot enclosure.

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B - SOVIET GROUND FORCES IN HUNGARY

a - Tank Brigade (?) at GYURGYOKAPUSZTA, about 5 kilometers north-northeast of TAB [REDACTED].

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The Soviet unit was moved there at the time of the insurrection, and the barracks were formerly occupied by a Hungarian antiaircraft regiment. The barracks are located in a thickly wooded section about 500 meters south-southeast of the railroad station of GYURGYOKAPUSZTA, as shown on attached Sketch No. 2.

The unit has a strength of about 1,000 men. Its armor consists of 80-100 tanks of various kinds. [REDACTED] they were all late models. Among these is a tank model less than 2 meters high at the turret, and unusually long and wide. [REDACTED]

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Other equipment includes light-armored vehicles for transporting troops, armed with a machine gun at the front; trucks that resemble the Dodge; and tank trucks of estimated 7-8-ton capacity.

For training purposes the unit uses a special target range, improved and enlarged in 1957, located near the barracks at about 40 meters north of the road to BABONYMEGYER.

Description: Note - The letters and numbers listed correspond to those appearing on attached Sketch No. 2.

The target range (21) measures about 800 by 500 meters, and is enclosed by a single wire fence about 1.80 meters high.

(a) Earth bunkers (target butts?) of varying widths irregularly placed around the area, about 6 meters high.

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(b) 3-4 tank turrets set on top of metal tripods 2-3 meters high.

(c) 2 tanks set in place, similar in external appearance to the Model T-34/85 [REDACTED]

They are equipped, however, with guns [REDACTED] of higher caliber than that of

the T-34/85. In addition, an AA machine gun is installed on a circular mount on the turret. [REDACTED] these are 70-ton (?) tanks.

(d) Tower 5-6 meters high with machine guns mounted on top.

(e) Outline of dwellings, farm buildings, etc. located in the immediate vicinity of the east boundary of the target range.

The ammunition depot (22) is about 2 kilometers west of the barracks, on open ground. It consists of a compound of 4-5 wooden barracks enclosed by a wire fence, well-lighted at night.

The access route is a dirt road (23) about 4 meters wide, branching off the left side of the TAB-BABONYMEGYER Road at about 1,500 meters west of the GYURGYOKA PUSZTA railroad station.

The barracks are divided in two sections (A and B). All the buildings have terraced roofs. Dimensions are approximate, and intended use refers to 1956, before they were taken over by the Soviets.

(a) Access route is a dirt road of recent construction, about 4-5 meters wide.

(b) Vehicular and pedestrian entrance.

Section A:

(1-6) Dwellings for officers and their families. Buildings 4-5 story high measuring about 20-30 by 10 meters.

(7) Officers' club. Pavilion about 12 x 30 meters with a dance hall, bar, amusement room, etc.

(8) Guard detail. Pavilion 4 x 8 meters.

Section B:

(9) Theater and bar. Pavilion 20 x 40 meters.

(10) Headquarters. Two-story building 15 x 30 meters.

(11) Officers' mess hall and kitchen. Pavilion 15 x 25 meters.

(12) Enlisted men's mess hall and kitchen. Pavilion similar to above.

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- (13) Enlisted men's quarters. Four-story building 15 x 50 meters.
- (14) Bachelor officers' quarters. Two-story building 10 x 20 meters.
- (15) Fresh water pump house. Pavilion 4 by 7 meters.
- (16) Transformer house. Pavilion similar to above. Current of 5,000 volts delivered here by a power line (see No. 20) coming from an unknown source.

(17) Sheds for vehicles, ordnance, etc. Seven or eight pavilions varying in size from 40 by 80 to 10 by 15 meters.

(18) Maintenance shops for ordnance, vehicles, barracks, etc. Three pavilions of unknown dimensions. Near the shops and the sheds are [REDACTED] fuel tanks and various kinds of warehouses. 50X1-HUM

(19) Railroad connection between the station and the barracks.

(20) Electric power line to supply the barracks, source unknown.

Parade ground: measures about 80 x 120 meters.

The place is enclosed by a single wire fence about 2 meters high. The ground is flat except in the northeast corner, where it is hilly. Trees taller than the buildings hide them from sight. The buildings around the parade ground are all painted green.

C - TOPOGRAPHIC INFORMATION ON HUNGARY (1957)

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a - Construction of a railroad connection and station improvement at AJKA, 10 kilometers east of DEVECSER.

(1) The railroad connection starts at the AJKA Station and runs west, almost parallel to and some 200 meters from the rail line to KOLONNTAR, with which it makes a junction about 7 kilometers later.

The AJKA-KOLONNTAR rail line goes through a section about 3 kilometers from AJKA which contains a thermal electric power plant adjacent to a plant for the processing of bauxite (see attached Sketch No. 3). The railroad connection, [REDACTED] is being constructed to avoid rail traffic over the aforementioned section. 50X1-HUM

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The laying of the connection requires the filling of a hollow near the bauxite processing plant. The earth fill is being dug from the side of a hill south of the station.

(2) Improvement of the AJKA railroad station consists of the laying of new connecting and marshaling tracks (number unknown), to meet the expected traffic increase following the construction of the new AJKA-HALIMBA-TAPOLCA rail line discussed below.

b - Reconstruction of the rail line from AJKA to HALIMBA, 9.5 kilometers northeast of NYITRAD [sic]

Up to 1956, the rail line had been used exclusively for the transportation of the workers employed in the bauxite mines of HALIMBA and the bauxite processing plant near AJKA (identified with a number 2 in attached Sketch No. 3). There was no passenger traffic on the line.

Following the proposed [REDACTED] extension of the rail line to TAPOLCA, to be used for passenger traffic besides freight, it was decided to reconstruct the old stretch, which would not meet the expected demands, using the same stretch.

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Rail traffic between AJKA and HALIMBA was discontinued for the reconstruction of the line; the transportation of the workers and the bauxite from the mines to the processing plant was being done by trucks.

c- Construction of the rail line from HALIMBA (10 kilometers east of DEVECSER) to TAPOLCA

The new line is being constructed to link TAPOLCA to the national rail network. The location of the stretch, which is an extension of the AJKA-HALIMBA line, is not known.

The present progress of the work is not known. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] it was started from HALIMBA working toward TAPOLCA.

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d - Miscellaneous

All of the above-mentioned rail lines are single track, standard gauge, and for use by steam locomotives.

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D - ECONOMIC INFORMATION ON HUNGARYa - State Farm Machinery Station at TAB

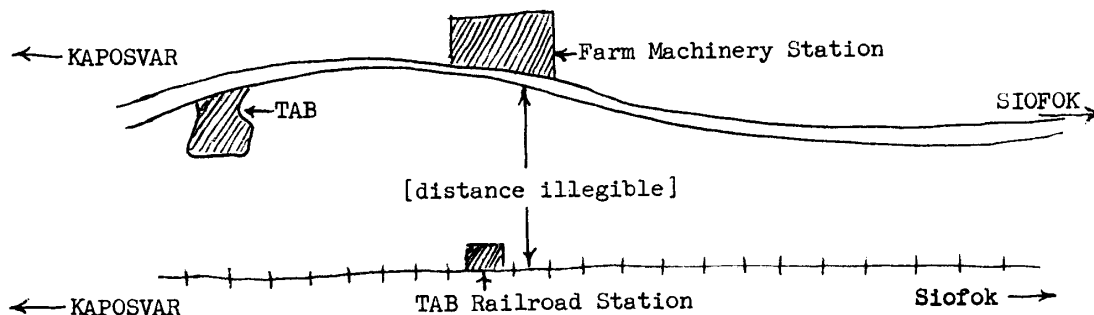
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The farm machinery station was established to rent machinery for cultivation and harvesting to the kolkhozes and state farms, and to private farmers after the needs of the foregoing have been satisfied.

The farm machinery station of TAB started operating in the period 1949-1951; the internal roads of the compound were completed in 1954. It is the best equipped station of its kind in Hungary.

It is known as the Allomi Mezogasdassagi Gepallo Mas (State Farm Machinery Station) of TAB, or A.M.G.-TAB.

It is opposite the railroad station of TAB, on the north side of the KAPOSVAR-SIOFOK Highway, as shown on the following sketch.



It is subordinate to the Farm Machinery Provincial Center of SOMOGY-MEGYER, located in KAPOSVAR (Provincial capital). The provincial center is in turn subordinated to the National Directorate for Farm Machinery Stations of the Ministry of Agriculture.

The station's area measures about 400 meters square. Its farm machinery equipment consists of:

- about 120 tractors, models Hofer (Hungarian), Lanz Bulldog (German), and Zetor (unknown manufacture).

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- about 10 combines
- about 20 mechanical harvesters
- about 30 potato sower trailers
- about 15 grain sower trailers
- about 10 cotton harvesting machines
- about 50 threshing machines, and
- about 150 drawn ploughs.

The station also has about 10 motor vehicles of different models.

The director is Jozef FERENC [REDACTED] in charge since 1954 50X1-HUM  
or 1955; the chief engineer is Janos NOK; the chief mechanic is Sandor BORDI;  
and there are 5-6 agronomists. The labor force consists of about 250 men,  
including drivers, mechanics, etc.

Description: Note - The numbers listed correspond to those appearing  
on attached Sketch No. 4.

- (1) Gatehouse and bicycle lot.
- (2) Fuel and lubricant storage area. Consists of an undeter-  
mined number of underground tanks with pumps.
- (3) Pavilion about 40 by 10 meters used as:
  - (a) Stockroom for farm machinery spare parts
  - (b) Storeroom for farm machinery
- (4) Pavilion about 60 by 40 meters containing:
  - (a) Area for repair of machinery. It is equipped with an  
overhead crane to lift the machines.
  - (b) Machine shop. It is equipped with lathes, drills,  
emery grinders, electric furnace, pneumatic hammer,  
and gas and electric welding equipment.
  - (c) Battery charging department.
- (5, 6) Warehouses. Twin pavilions about 10 x 40 meters each,  
containing parts for the farm machinery, motor vehicles, machine equip-  
ment, tools, etc.
- (7) Kitchen, mess room, and club. Pavilion about 10 x 50 meters.

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(8) Threshing-machine storehouse. Pavilion about 40 meters square, easily storing 40 threshers.

(9) Pavilion about 10 x 30 meters containing:

(a) Threshing- and harvesting-machine storeroom

(b) Workshop for maintenance of above-mentioned farm machines

(10) Woodworking shop, forge, and machine shops for maintenance of farm machinery. Pavilion about 10 x 20 meters.

(11) Water pump house, single-story building measuring 3 x 6 meters. Around the building are round concrete slabs covering the well openings from where the water is drawn.

(12, 13) Dwellings for the director and other managers and their families. Twin buildings of 3 apartments each.

(14) Management, including technical and administrative offices. Pavilion about 15 x 40 meters.

(15) Fresh water well.

(16) Mill. It was built in 1948-1949 and has two large millstones. It grinds a railroad carload of fodder daily for the neighboring farms.

Fencing consists of wire-net anchored in cement posts, about 2.50 meters high.

Watch is limited to two gatekeepers.

b - State enterprise for land reclamation and transportation of agricultural products at BALATONBOGLAR

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The enterprise is concerned with the removal of rubbish (stones, weeds, etc.) collected in the course of preparing the land for planting, and the transportation of fertilizers and other agricultural products in the kolkhozes and state farms.

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It is known as the Talajjavito N.V. Balatonboglar Kozpont (State Enterprise for Land Reclamation Center of BALATONBOGLAR). It is located in a building near another (formerly owned by a [REDACTED] firm) about 3 kilometers southeast of the railroad station, and is reached by a road from the town. The enterprise is subordinate to the Ministry of Agriculture.

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The enterprise has about 200 Csepel 3-ton trucks, including dump trucks, distributed in groups of 5-10 trucks in several locations of its assigned sector, which comprises the area west of the Danube River as far as the Yugoslav-Austrian-Czechoslovak borders.

At the head of each group is an agrarian specialist who supervises the use of fertilizers in the kolkhozes and farms.

Fertilizers and other products are generally shipped by rail to the nearest railroad station, from where they are transferred to the needed places by truck. [REDACTED]

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#### D - HUNGARIAN AIR FORCE

a - Air Base at TASZAR, about 7 kilometers from GOLLE [REDACTED]

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It is known as the **TASZAR** Air Base, and is located southeast of **TASZAR** between the road and the rail line to **BATE** (? the location does not appear correct, given the small space between the road and the rail line).

[REDACTED] single-engined jet planes of unidentified type at the air base.

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A 4-story building was being constructed at some undetermined location.

The air base is jointly manned by Hungarian and Soviet personnel.

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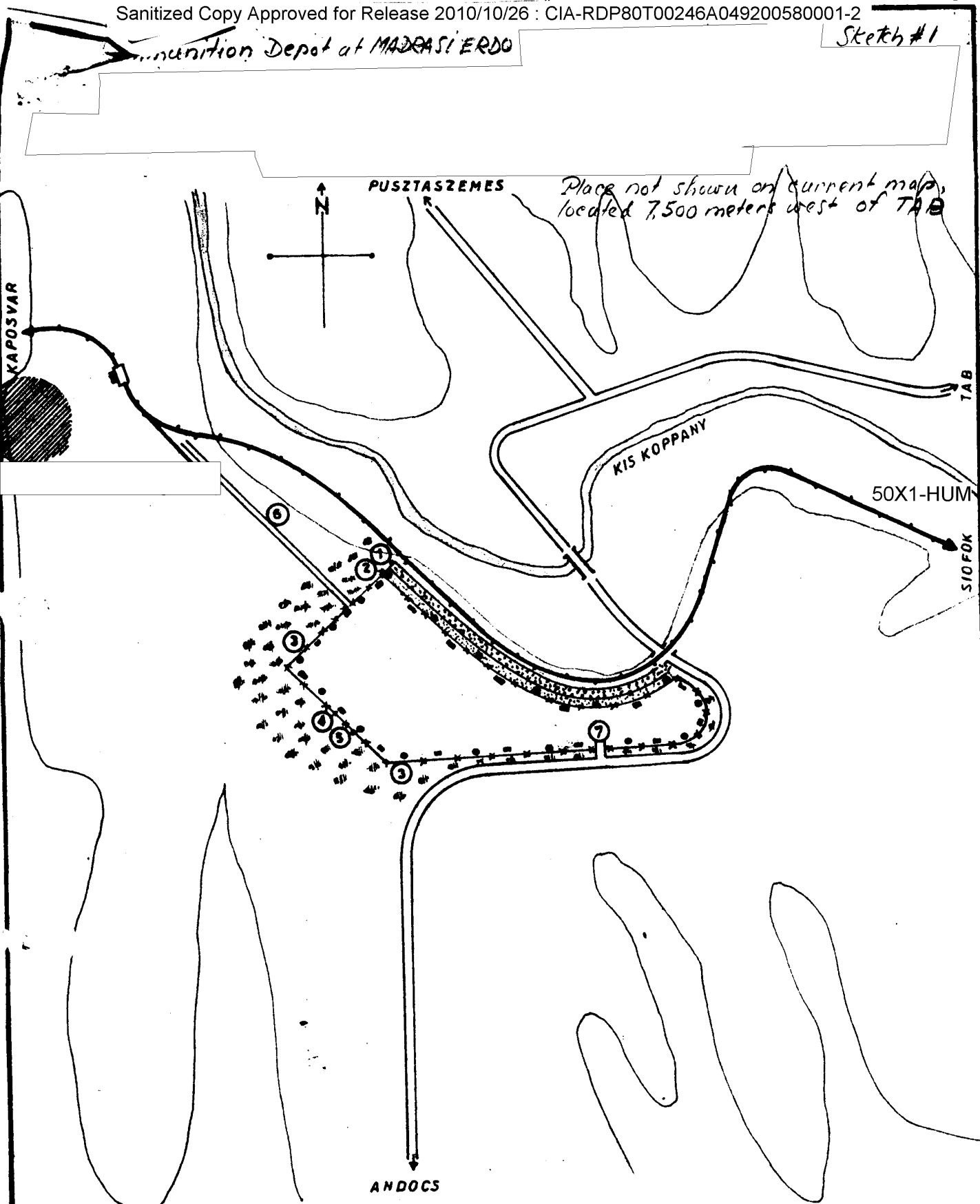
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Munition Depot at MADRAS ERDO

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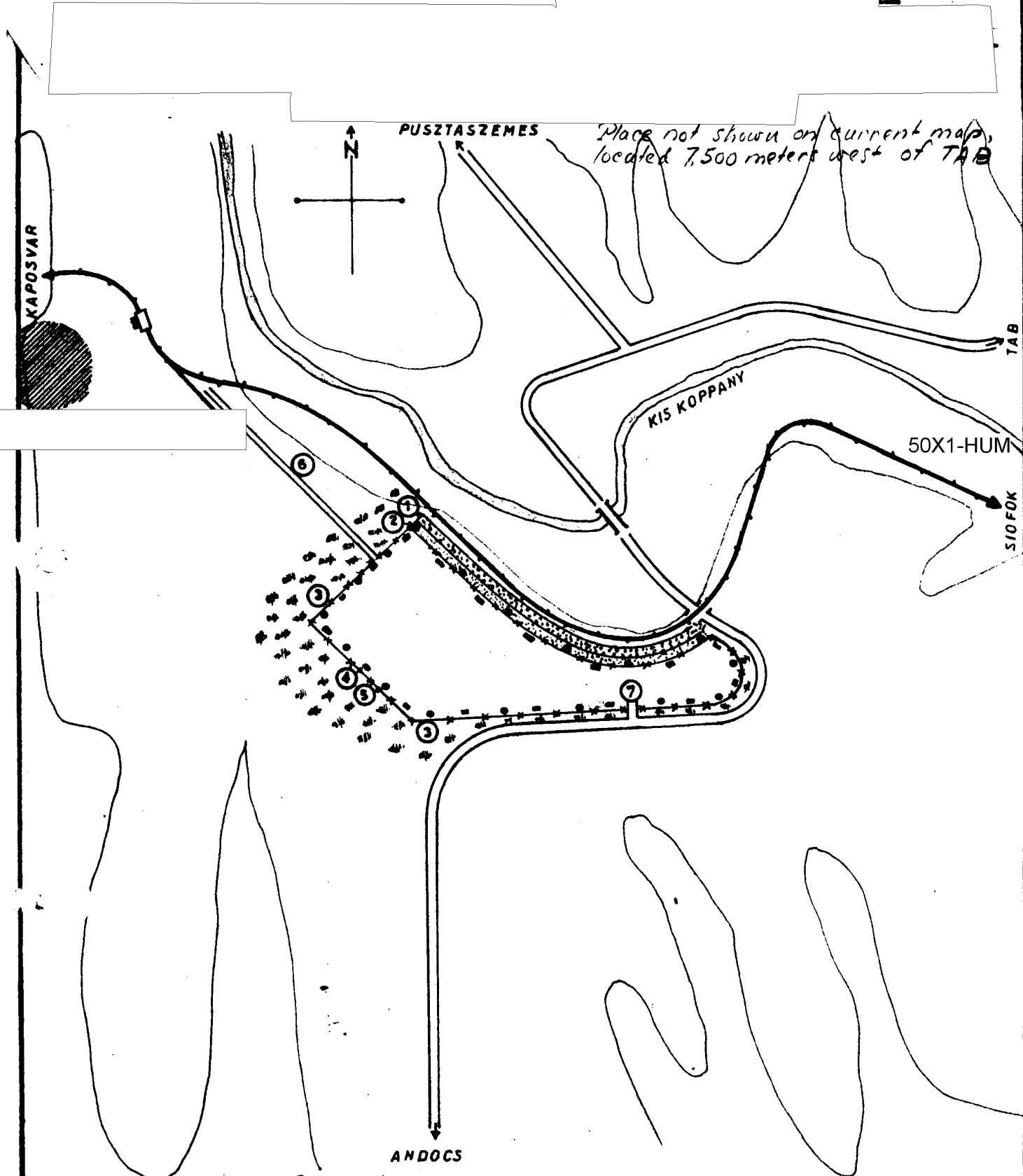
- 1- Strip 10 meters wide covered with shrubs
- 2- Strip 10 meters wide covered with grass
- 3- wire fence
- 4- wooden watchtowers
- 5- Spotlights & lampposts to light the depot.
- 6- Service road

7- Entrance

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*Artion Depot at MADRASI ERDO*

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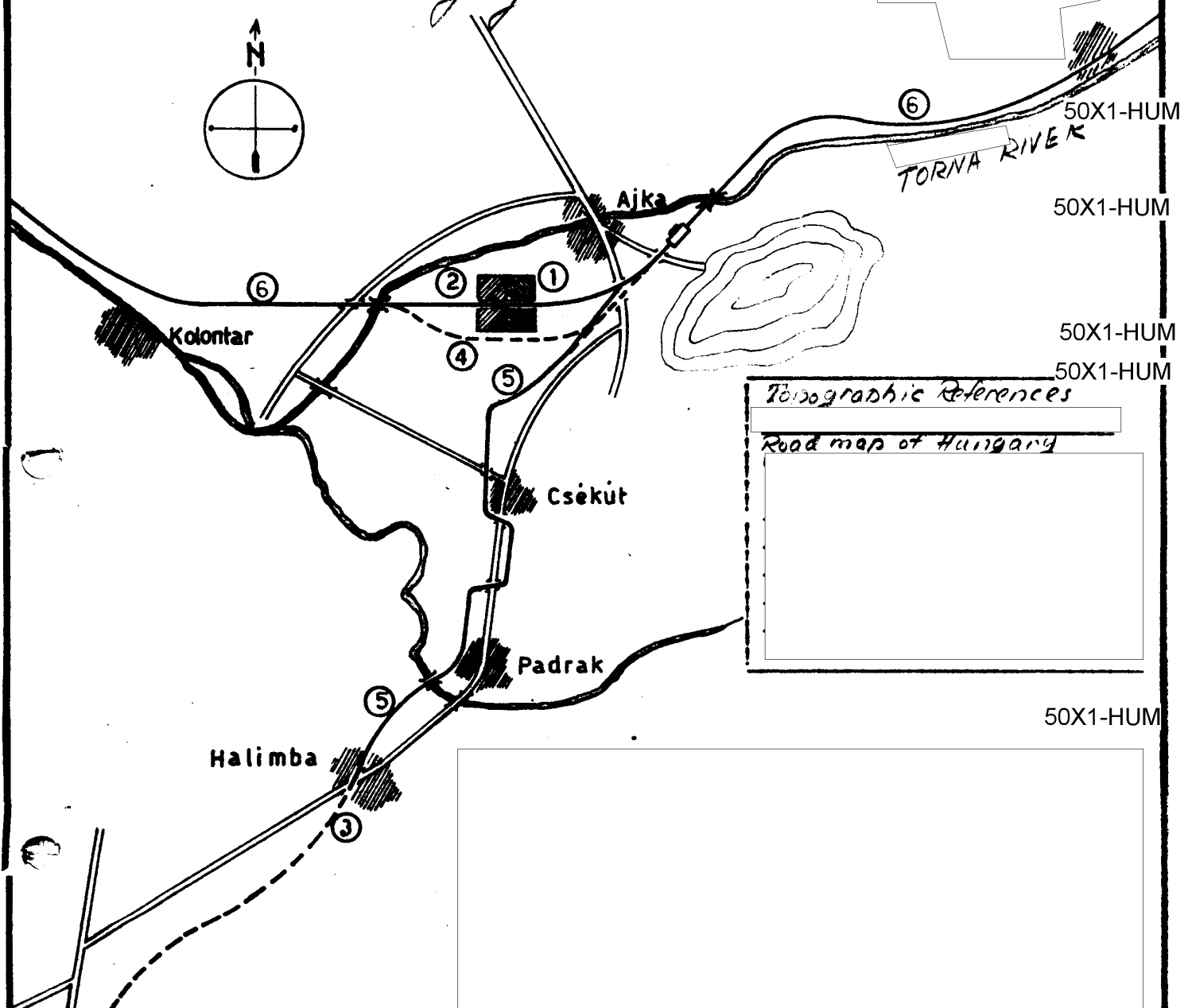
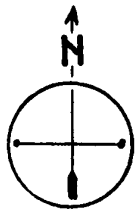


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Sketch # 3

Rail lines under construction and reconstruction in Hungary



Topographic References

Road map of Hungary

Legend

- 1- Thermal electric plant
- 2- Bauxite processing plant
- 3- Rail line under construction
- 4- Rail connection under construction
- 5- Rail line being reconstructed
- 6- Existing rail line
- 7- Road

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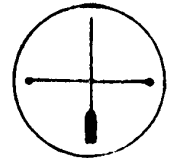
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Farm machinery station at TAB

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- 1- Gate house,
- 2- Fuel & lubricant storage area
- 3- Stock room & farm machinery store room
- 4- Workshop
- 5,6- Warehouses
- 7- Kitchen, mess hall & club

- 8- Threshing-machine storeroom
- 9- [not listed]
- 10- Shops
- 11- Water pump house
- 12,13 - Dwellings
- 14- Administration
- 15- Fresh water well
- Mill

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