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**SERIES PRODUCTION OF HARB-A
JINGMEN SEAPLANE STATION, CHINA**

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1. (SWN) SIGNIFICANCE: A FIFTH HARB-A ANTISUBMARINE WARFARE SEAPLANE IS OBSERVED, SUGGESTING THAT SERIES PRODUCTION MAY HAVE BEGUN.
2. (SWN) REMARKS: THE FUSELAGE FOR A FIFTH HARB-A ANTISUBMARINE WARFARE SEAPLANE HAS BEEN DELIVERED TO THIS FACILITY. THE FUSELAGE HAS JUST BEEN REMOVED FROM RAILCARS AT A RAIL SIDING 2 NM SOUTH OF THE SEAPLANE STATION AT 30-57-00N 112-04-00E (INSET). THE PRESENCE OF FIVE AIRCRAFT PROBABLY INDICATES SERIES PRODUCTION OF THE HARB-A AND IS THE FIRST IDENTIFICATION OF FINAL AIRCRAFT ASSEMBLY AT THIS FACILITY. THREE HARB-A ARE ON THE MAIN PARKING RAMP AND THE FOURTH HARB-A (PRESENT ON IS PROBABLY IN THE MAINTENANCE/ASSEMBLY HANGAR (NOT ON GRAPHIC).

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(SWN) THE HARB-A WAS FIRST IDENTIFIED IN JUNE 1974 AT HARBIN AIRFRAME PLANT PING-FANG 122 THE FIRST TWO HARB-A WERE SEEN THERE BEFORE APPEARING AT JINGMEN. THE LAST OBSERVATION OF HARB-A AT HARBIN WAS IN MAY 1981 WHEN A FUSELAGE WAS PRESENT. HARB-A MAY NO LONGER BE PRODUCED AT HARBIN, AND THE PRODUCTION FACILITY FOR THE REMAINING HARB-A IS NOT KNOWN.

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(SWN) JINGMEN SEAPLANE STATION IS A SEAPLANE TEST FACILITY IN THE WUHAN MILITARY REGION.

3. COORDINATES 30-59-08N 112-03-51E

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