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PREFACE

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Titles and letter designators for the various facilities are as follows: (A) railroad service, (B) road service, (C) landing strips, (D) administrative and troop housing areas, (E) storage areas, (F) ammunition storage areas, (G) POL storage areas, (H) other buildings and facilities, (J) equipment storage/maintenance areas, (K) athletic fields, (L) small arms firing ranges, (M) driver training areas, (N) tank/assault gun firing ranges, (P) flat trajectory firing ranges, (Q) artillery emplacements (batteries), (R) infantry or combined arms field training areas or courses, (S) special training facilities, (T) unidentified facilities or tracking activity.
FIGURE 2. DOBELE ARMY TRAINING AREA, DOBELE, USSR, JUNE 1964.
SUMMARY

The Dobele Army Training Area is located approximately 7 kilometers (km) northwest of Dobele (Figure 1). Dobele Army Barracks Northwest is adjacent to the training area on the east, and probably provides logistic and administrative support. Units from Dobele Army Barracks located 10 km southeast, may also use this training area.

The Dobele Army Training Area (Figure 2) was covered on photography from 4 KEYHOLE missions between June 1962 and June 1964. A comparative analysis reveals that the activity in this area has increased. Heavy trackage within and between the driver-training courses indicates that the area is very active.

DESCRIPTION OF INSTALLATION

Railroad Service
Rail service is available at Dobele.

Road Service
The area is served by primary and secondary roads from Dobele.

Administration and Troop Housing Area
All logistic and administrative support for the training area is probably provided by Dobele Army Barracks Northwest, which is adjacent to this training area.

Other Buildings
The training area contains several buildings which are probably used for range support.

Driver-Training Areas
Area M3 contains several irregular tracked-vehicle driver-training courses.
Area M4 contains a wheeled-vehicle driver-training course.
Several of the tracked-vehicle courses contain narrow objects of various lengths. These may be obstacles or built-up areas on the course which must be traversed or by-passed by the drivers.

Tank/Assault-Gun Firing Range
Area N is a 4,800-foot range with 7 lanes, 6 moving targets, and a line of stationary targets. Four of the lanes are 2,100 feet long and 3 are 1,600 feet long. Only 3 of the moving targets appear to be in use.

Flinch-Trajectory Firing Range
Area P is a 1,000-foot range with moving targets. This is a possible automatic-weapons firing range. It appeared active in June 1962; however, it does not appear active on photography of June 1964.
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MAPS OR CHARTS

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REQUIREMENT

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