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PROJECT NUMBER: 5288

SESSION NUMBER: 01

DATE OF SESSION: 18 OCT 90 DATE OF REPORT: 19 OCT 90

START: 1528

END: 1600

METHODOLOGY: ERV

VIEWER IDENTIFIER: 052

- 1. (S/STD) MISSIONS: Describe an event involving the accidental sinking of a Soviet submarine near Bermuda in October 1986
- 2. (S/STD) VIEWER TASKING: Utlizing Encrypted Coordinates 807655/703352, access the target within the time frame of October 1986.
- 3. (S/STD) COMMENTS: No inclemencies noted. A Summary of Informatrion is attached to this report.
  - 4. (S/STD) EVALUATION: く
- 5. (S/STD) SEARCH EVALUATION:

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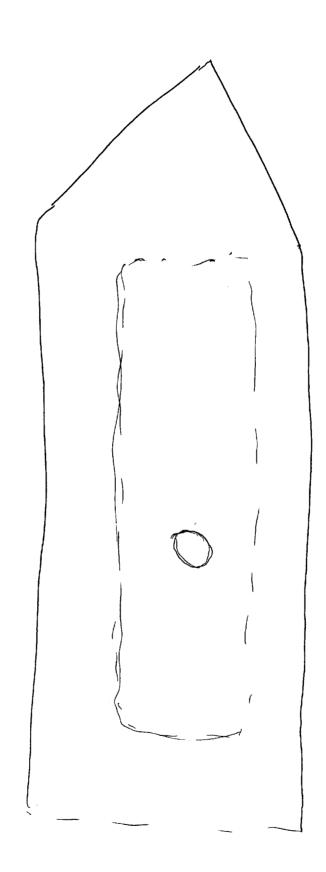
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#### SUMMARY OF INFORMATION:

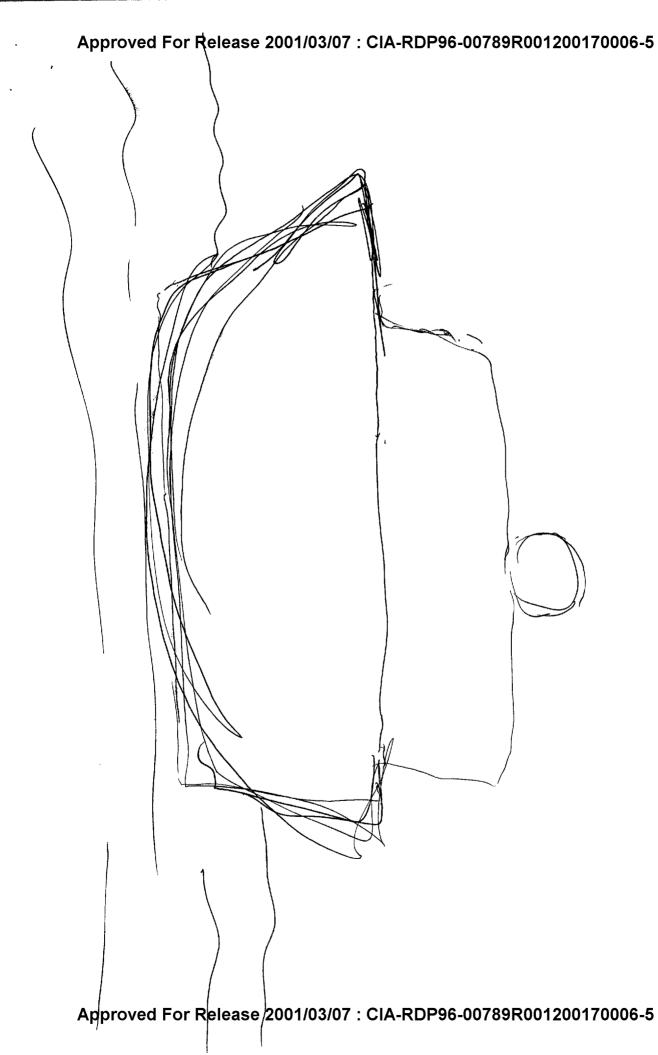
The target is a structure that has some kind of event or action that happens to it. The structure is curved with a pointed, almost triangular shaped front. It has different levels on top and different objects around it, including a rounded object on the top. There is water at the site, which makes me think that the target is a ship. Colors evident are blue, green and red. There is something striped with curved stripes, and a dark, square, loudspeaker shape. There is a round, tube like object, and a round object with hole or a piece of it missing. It is very bright. There are people here. They seem to be scrambling around. I can see one person crouching down and walking very fast. People are yelling and screaming. I can see a long shape moving from right to left and then we a there is a loud BOOM! It is very bright and pieces seem to be falling in all directions. There are two people sitting in a little boat.

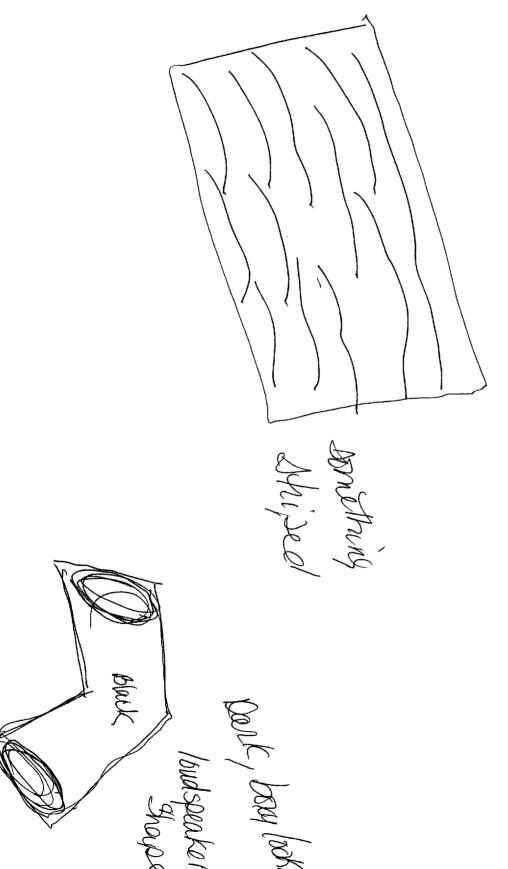
There also is a structure that looks like a building with a low roof and red shingles. The side of the building is concrete with a sandy, rough, grain to it. The door of this building is huge, strong and made of metal.

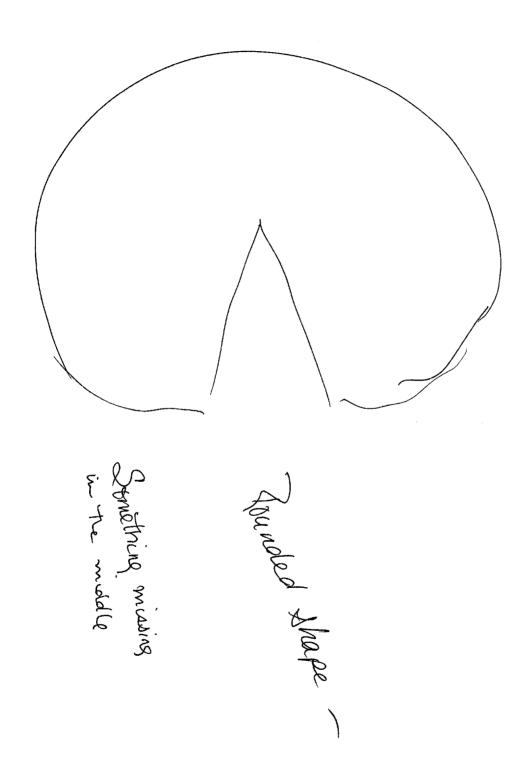
At first I was looking at the structure from the top, in a lot of blue (water) and I thought it was a ship. Then I saw it from the bottom and when I looked up and saw a long object surrounded by a lot of blue (air) I thought that it was an airplane. Either way, something happened to this structure that caused a very loud BOOM or explosion (from a possible tube like missile). The entire sky lit up, everything was bright and there were bright shapes like flames or streamers falling from the sky. The structure also lit up very bright. Then it was dark and I could no longer see the structure, only the two people in the small boat.

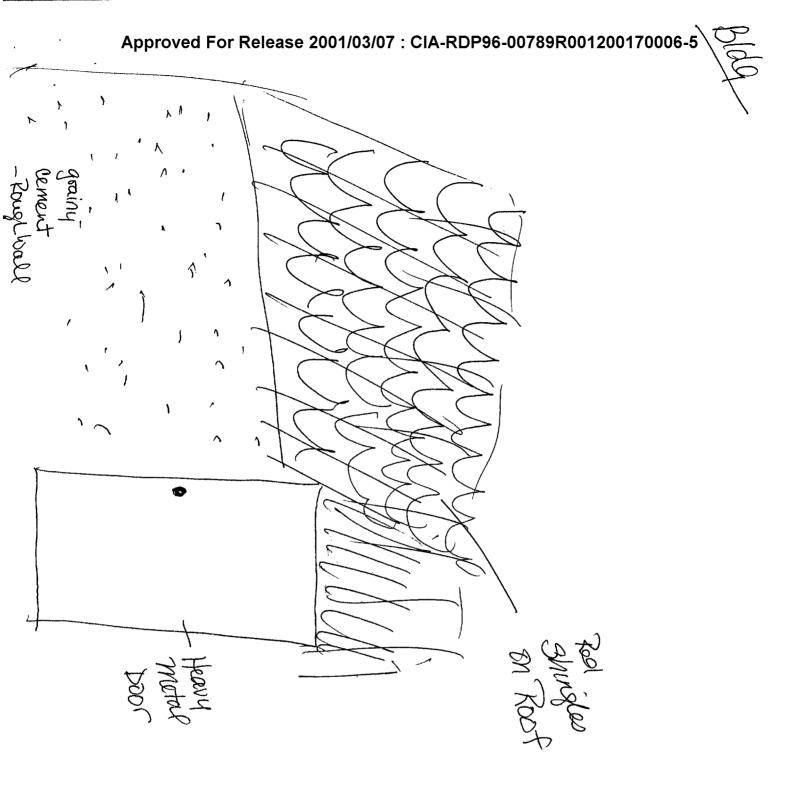


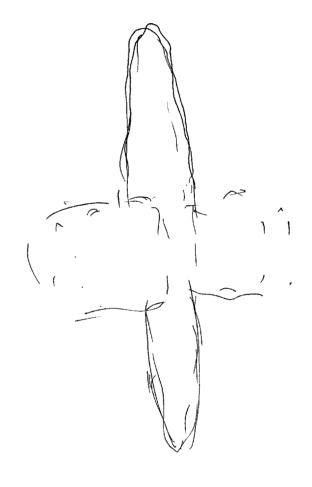
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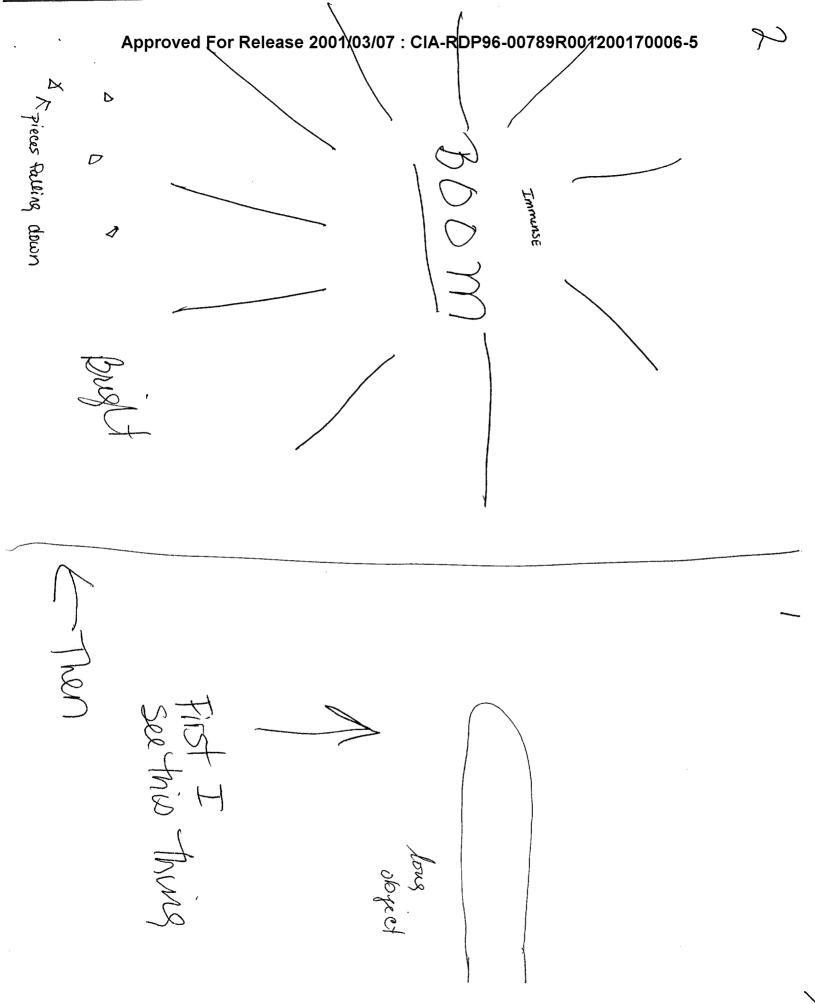


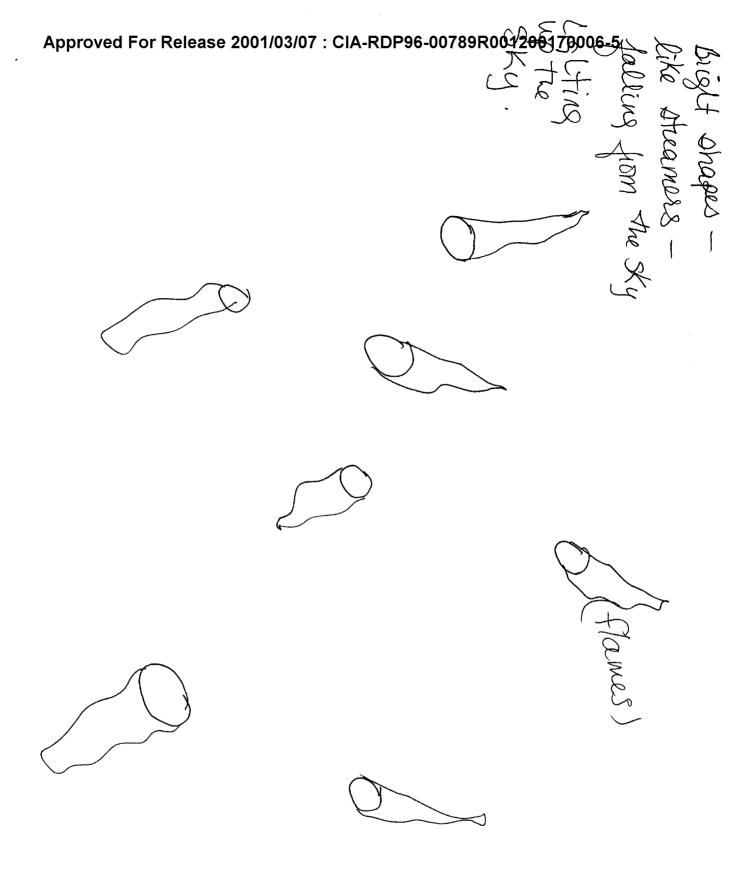


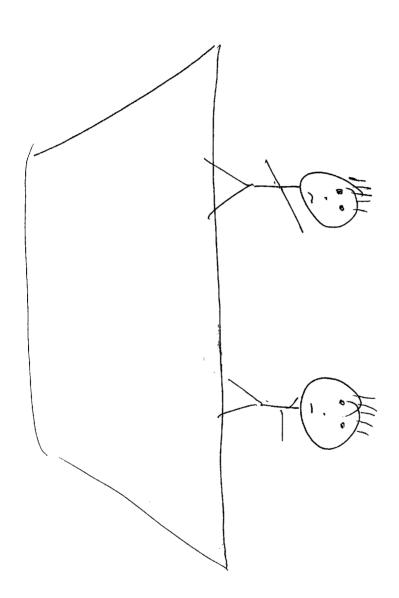


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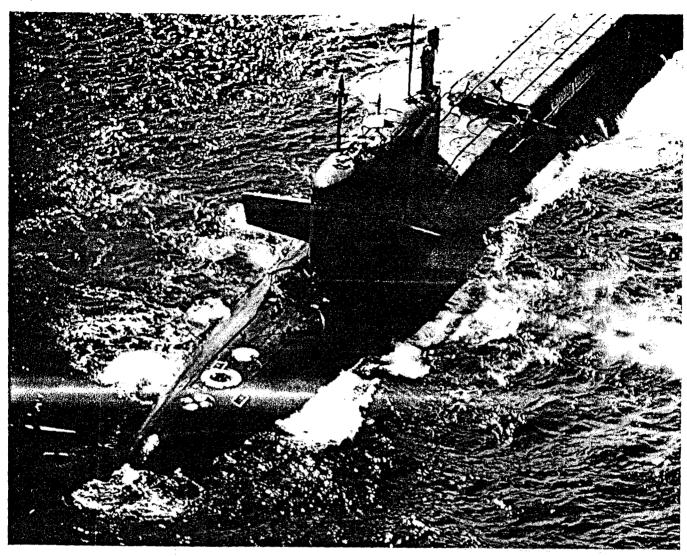








Two people boat



The YANKEE-Class SSBN that sank off Bermuda in October 1986 as a result of an explosion in one of its missile tubes served as a reminder of the constant SLBM threat to the US.

third greater than that of the US Ohio-Class. It can operate under the Arctic Ocean icecap, adding to the protection afforded by the 8,300-kilometer range of its SS-N-20 SLBMs. Two or three additional 25,000-metric ton TYPHOONs are probably under construction and will be operational by the early 1990s.

The Soviets since 1978 have removed 15 YANKEE I units from service as ballistic missile submarines by dismantling their launchers. These units were removed as newer submarines were produced in order for the overall Soviet SSBN force to stay within the 62 modern SSBN/950 SLBM limits established in 1972. Some have been reconfigured as attack or long-range cruise missile submarines.

In a widely reported accident, the Soviets

lost a YANKEE-Class SSBN in the Atlantic near Bermuda in October 1986. The ship suffered serious structural damage as a result of an explosion, presumably of volatile missile fuel. The loss of this unit had a negligible impact on Soviet strategic forces.

Force Developments. The Soviets have launched four units of a new class of SSBN, the DELTA IV, that are fitted with the SS-N-23 SLBM. This large, liquid-propelled SLBM will have greater throw-weight, carry more warheads (10 rather than 7), and be more accurate than the SS-N-18, which is currently carried on the DELTA III-Class SSBN. Up to two more DELTA IVs are under construction. A new class of submarines is likely to enter the force in the early 1990s.

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