POST-EXPLOSION SATELLITE IMAGERY OF GERDEC MUNITIONS DEPOT - AFFECTED HIGH RISK ZONE (800M) - ALBANIA

**Analysis Summary**

**Centers:** There are 3 main center locations with a combined area of 38,400 m². The largest center is approximately 200 meters wide and 100 meters long.

**Buildings:** There were estimated to be 20 buildings within the 800m high risk zone, including 10 buildings directly associated with the deposit.

**Map Legend:**
- Orange: High Risk Zone
- Black: Open Area
- Red: Building
- Green: Road

**Event Summary:**

Massive explosions near the Albanian capital of Tirana on 19 March 2008 have badly affected three villages. According to information received from the local authorities, a number of buildings, including homes, have been totally destroyed and 50% of the population living in these villages have been evacuated and accommodated with relative ease by the government. Explosions continued for many hours until 14:00 on 19 March close to the village of Gerdec, 16 kilometers from Tirana. The government has declared a state of emergency for this area and emergency commissions have been set up at central and local levels. PRCI Information Bulletin No. 1 (19 March 2008)